

**CITY OF EAST LANSING  
EAST LANSING CITY COUNCIL**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A STEERING COMMITTEE  
FOR PURPOSES OF JOINING THE AARP NETWORK OF  
AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES AND OBTAINING THE  
AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY DESIGNATION**

WHEREAS, the AARP Age-Friendly Community status is an issue of great importance to the City Council and our residents and helps participating communities become great places for all ages by adopting such features as safe, walkable streets; better housing and transportation options; access to key services; and opportunities for residents to participate in community activities; and

WHEREAS, well-designed, livable communities promote health and sustain economic growth, which will thereby improve the health, well-being, satisfaction and quality of life for residents - of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Age-Friendly Communities target improvements in eight domains:

*Outdoor Spaces and Building:* Availability of safe and accessible recreational facilities.

*Transportation:* Safe and affordable modes of private and public transportation.

*Housing:* Availability of home modification programs for aging in place as well as a range of age-friendly housing options.

*Social Participation:* Access to leisure and cultural activities, including opportunities for older residents to socialize and engage with their peers as well as with younger people.

*Respect and Social Inclusion:* Programs that promote ethnic and cultural diversity, as well as multigenerational interaction and dialog.

*Civic Participation and Employment:* Paid work and volunteer activities for older residents and opportunities to engage in the formulation of policies relevant to their lives.

*Communication and Information:* Access to communications technology and other resources so older residents can connect with their community, friends, and family.

*Community Support and Health Services:* Access to home-based care services,

health clinics, and program that promote wellness and active aging; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would benefit from the evaluations and recommendations made by a Steering Committee that represents a broad cross-section of East Lansing residents with an interest in promoting age-friendly initiatives.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council for the City of East Lansing hereby creates an AARP Age-Friendly Community Steering Committee for purposes of guiding the City's effort to become a certified AARP Age-Friendly Community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee will appoint workgroups to address each of the eight domains; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee shall be composed from members of the following:

East Lansing Public Schools  
Elder Care (private sector) representative  
Friends of East Lansing Seniors  
Housing Commission  
Human Relations Commission  
Library Board of Trustees  
Michigan State University Representative  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission  
Planning Commission  
Senior Commission (2)  
Transportation Commission  
University Student Commission

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each City Commission select its own representative to serve on the AARP Age-Friendly Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee will follow the two phase approach as designated by AARP with Phase 1 being Planning and Phase 2 being Implementation.



Mark S. Meadows, Mayor

Dated: September 20, 2016

Moved by Council member: Altmann


Supported by Council member: Woods

ADOPTED: Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

CLERKS CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the East Lansing City Council at its meeting held on September 20, 2016, the original of which is part of the Council's minutes.



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Marie E. Wicks, City Clerk  
City of East Lansing