

CITY OF WAUSAU, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403

RESOLUTION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Approving and endorsing an application to join the AARP Age-Friendly Communities Network.

Committee Action: Approved 5-0

Fiscal Impact: None

File Number: 18-1107

Date Introduced: November 13, 2018

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

COSTS	<i>Budget Neutral</i>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Included in Budget:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Budget Source:</i>
	<i>One-time Costs:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Recurring Costs:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount:</i>
SOURCE	<i>Fee Financed:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Grant Financed:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Debt Financed:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount</i> <i>Annual Retirement</i>
	<i>TID Financed:</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>TID Source: Increment Revenue</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Debt</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Funds on Hand</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Interfund Loan</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities is an affiliate of the World Health Organization’s Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program, an international effort to help cities prepare for population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization; and

WHEREAS, the median average age in the City of Wausau and northern Wisconsin as a whole is projected to continue to rise creating challenges for older citizens related to medical care, housing, community engagement and other factors; and

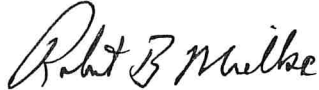
WHEREAS, older citizens and ‘empty nesters’ often constitute, along with young professionals, an important and growing urban demographic which the City of Wausau is well positioned to attract and engage; and

WHEREAS, the network designation and program advances efforts to help people live easily and comfortably in their homes and communities as they age including a focus on areas such as housing, caregiving, community engagement, volunteering, social inclusion and combating isolation among older citizens; and

WHEREAS, partner organizations like the YMCA, Aspirus and local foundations are working to advance facilities and programming for older citizens in the urban core, and the City welcomes ways to improve policy and services for citizens at every age;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Common Council of the City of Wausau hereby approves and endorses an application to join the AARP Age-Friendly Communities network and instructs staff to work with AARP and fellow communities in the network to advance public policies and services to make Wausau an even more welcoming place for older citizens.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert B. Mielke". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Robert B. Mielke, Mayor