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Issue/Request:

The City of Lee's Summit decided to become a community for all ages, one that every person feels welcome in no matter what their age. On July 7, 2016, our City Council took the first step toward that goal by approving Resolution 16-16 to support the Communities for All Ages Initiative and Recognition Program. As part of our first steps, staff is working to raise awareness about what it means to be a community for all ages through various meetings, press releases, and information on our city website. There are three levels of recognition in the Communities for All Ages Recognition Program: Bronze, Silver, and Gold. These first steps will help us gain recognition as a Bronze level community. The next level, Silver, requires the formation of a Community for All Ages committee of elected officials, staff, and community members. Members will use the Community for All Ages Checklist to conduct a self-assessment of our community and issue a report based on the findings. To achieve Gold level recognition, the requirements of Bronze and Silver must be met and the City will need to adopt a Communities for All Ages Plan or include a Community for All Ages component in our existing plans (such as the City's Comprehensive Plan and the Greenway Master Plan).

MARC staff and City of Raymore staff will guide us through the process of what it takes for us to go through the three-tiered recognition program that will eventually lead our City to be rewarded to the highest level.

Background:

*June 23, 2016 - Cathy Boyer-Shesol gave an introductory presentation to the City Council on the Community for All Ages Program.
*July 7, 2016 - City Council approved Resolution 16-16 to support the Communities for All Ages Initiative and Recognition Program.

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