

# DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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May 24, 2018

Thomas Bonfield, City Manager  
The City of Durham  
101 City Hall Plaza  
Durham, NC 27701



Dear Mr. Bonfield:

In October 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved the amendments to the Durham County Board of Health Smoking Rule which includes e-cigarettes and additional restrictions on smoking in public spaces. These changes go into effect on July 1, 2018. As a result, updated and additional signage is required to continually educate the public and to protect our residents from second hand smoke exposure.

DesignElement, a local sign company will be installing and/or replacing signs that describe restrictions as outlined in the Rule. Where possible, the signs will be affixed to the back of existing signs, i.e., no parking signs. Public Health staff will work closely with the City Public Works and Parks and Recreation Departments as we move forward with this project. The work is anticipated to begin within 30-60 days. It is expected that the project may take up to 180 days for completion. The intended locations and revised Rule are attached.

If you have questions, please contact Gayle B. Harris, Health Director at 919-560-7655 or Bryan E. Wardell, Senior Assistant County Attorney at (919) 560-0707.

Sincerely,

F. Vincent Allison, DDS  
Chair, Durham County Board of Health