## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORSYTH/ANNEXATION/ZONING/PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor and Council of the City of Forsyth will consider and the public may be heard as to an ordinance providing for the alteration and amendment of the corporate boundaries of the City of Forsyth through annexation, and for the alteration and amendment of a zoning district and the zoning map of the City of Forsyth, at 6:00 PM on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached, at City Council Chambers at Alderman Hall at 5 West Adams Street, and such ordinance relates to an application for annexation to the City of Forsyth by H & H Timberlands, LLC (Tax Parcels 028 012 (98.926 acres); 028 006A (452.83 acres); 028 010 (157.12 acres); 027 025 (190.39 acres); 027 014A (78.087 acres); and 027 018 (59.24 acres); an aggregate total of 1,036.593 acres; and the properties subject of the application for annexation are located on Collier Road and Smith Road; and all of the parcels are contiguous as an aggregate to each other and contiguous to the present corporate limits of the City of Forsyth.

All the parcels of land are presently zoned Agricultural under Monroe County zoning classification, and all would be zoned as A, Agricultural/Rural under City of Forsyth zoning upon annexation.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection in the office of the Clerk of the City of Forsyth during regular business hours.

This application for annexation and zoning was before the City Council for public hearing on July 20, 2020, and a public hearing was held, but because the Monroe County Commissioners had objected to the application the City Council of Forsyth was preempted from making a final decision after that public hearing and the issues were referred by statute to an Arbitration Panel, which Panel met on October 19, 2020, and after a hearing ruled that the annexation could go forward in the City of Forsyth. Since the City Code provides that the City Council must make its decision within 65 days of its public hearing and that limit has passed with regard to the present annexation/zoning application, the hearing on November 16 is required so that City Council may then make its decision on the annexation and zoning in a time frame compatible with the City Code.

The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in the Zoning Ordinance of the City (Article 31 of the Zoning Code – Public Hearing Procedures).

This 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020

Mayor and Council of the City of Forsyth

To: Monroe County Reporter

Date: October 23, 2020

Please publish the attached legal notice in the October 28, November 4, and November 11 issues of the <u>Reporter</u> and bill the costs to the City of Forsyth.

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