

**FORSYTH COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

REVISED  
ITEM

MEETING DATE: APRIL 25, 2016 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 9

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING AN APPLICATION TO THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION (ARC) FOR A GRANT TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF THE IDOLS ROAD PROPERTY AS AN INDUSTRIAL PARK (FORSYTH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

**COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:** Recommend Approval

**SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:**

See attached

ATTACHMENTS:  YES  NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Kludeny Watts, Jr.* COUNTY MANAGER DATE: April 20, 2016

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APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION (ARC) FOR A GRANT TO FACILITATE  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE IDOLS ROAD PROPERTY AS AN INDUSTRIAL PARK  
(FORSYTH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

**WHEREAS**, Forsyth County owns a 169.5 acre tract of land in the southwest corner of Forsyth County off Idols Road near the Village of Clemmons; and

**WHEREAS**, the only access to this tract of land is now provided by Topsider Drive which terminates at the eastern border of the subject property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners has expressed interest in developing an industrial park on the subject property and Forsyth County is in the process of engaging Stimmel Associates, P.A. to develop a preliminary analysis and master plan for the development of an industrial park on this site; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff believes the development of this site as an industrial park will provide much needed development-ready sites that will be attractive to companies wishing to relocate to Forsyth County and will enhance the economy by increasing private investment while providing good paying employment opportunities to residents of Forsyth County and neighboring Davie and Yadkin Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff recommends the County apply to the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) for a grant of \$1,000,000 to help finance the construction of an access road to serve the entire proposed industrial park area, which road will accommodate traffic flow to the site while providing a second entrance and exit to and from the tract;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and ratifies execution by the Chairman, the County Manager, the Chief Financial Officer, and Clerk to the Board of necessary documents, on behalf of Forsyth County, to apply for a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission to facilitate the development of the Idols Road Property as an industrial park and more specifically to help finance the construction of an access road to serve the entire proposed industrial park area and accommodate traffic flow and provide a second entrance and exit on the tract.

Adopted this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.