

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BRIEFING DRAFT

MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 8

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO APPLY FOR A RURAL BUILDING REUSE GRANT TO SUPPORT ADDICTION RECOVERY CARE ASSOCIATION, INC.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

Addiction Recovery Care Association, Inc. (ARCA), a residential drug and alcohol treatment center, is leasing County property located at 5755 Shattalon Drive in order to expand its operations. ARCA anticipates creating 13 jobs as part of this expansion and relocation. Prior to occupying the facility, ARCA has agreed to repair and renovate the building at an estimated cost of \$5,817,871. ARCA is seeking grant opportunities to assist in paying these costs.

The North Carolina Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division has a Building Reuse Grant program that assists with the renovation, expansion, or construction of health care facilities that will lead to the direct creation of new, full-time jobs. Applicants must be a local government, and ARCA has requested Forsyth County apply for a grant in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 to support its project. As part of this application, Forsyth County is required to provide a local match of 5% of the grant, which would not exceed \$6,500.

ATTACHMENTS: yes no

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____
COUNTYMANAGER

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NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO APPLY FOR A RURAL
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WHEREAS the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners desires to promote economic development efforts within the County and to promote treatment and recovery of those suffering from substance abuse;

WHEREAS Addiction Recovery Care Association, Inc., (ARCA) operates a residential drug and alcohol treatment facility and is planning to move its facility to a vacant County-owned property located at 5755 Shattalon Drive in Winston-Salem, which will enable it to treat more residents suffering from substance abuse, but will require significant, expensive renovation by ARCA to prepare the facility for such use;

WHEREAS the North Carolina Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division Rural Building Reuse Grants assist with the renovation, expansion, or construction of health care facilities that will lead to the direct creation of new, full-time jobs, and ARCA has indicated it will create 13 additional full-time jobs as part of this project; and

WHEREAS the County Manager recommends that the County submit an application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce to receive a grant in the amount not to exceed \$130,000 in order to support ARCA repairing leased property owned by Forsyth County, and the County will pay 5% of the grant project cost, such that the County's share will not exceed \$6,500;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the Chairman or County Manager and Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute necessary documents, on behalf of Forsyth County, to submit an application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce for a Rural Building Reuse grant in the amount not to exceed \$130,000 to support ARCA, and, if the grant is awarded, to pay the County's 5% share of the grant, which amount shall not exceed \$6,500.

Adopted this the 22nd day of October 2020.