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**CHANGES COMING TO FORSYTH COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND COURTHOUSE ANNEX**

Interior and Exterior Modifications Being Made

Forsyth County, Georgia – Over the next few months, changes will be made to county buildings in downtown Cumming. In addition to landscape installation at the Courthouse Annex, there will be new signage for the Annex, as well as new landscaping and internal renovations at the County Administration Building.

The Courthouse Annex landscaping project, which began in August, is progressing on schedule, with an estimated completion date of mid-November. New signage designating the building as the Forsyth County Courthouse Annex is estimated to be in place by the end of the year. Progress photographs as well as a rendering of the finished project are available on the Public Facilities page of the county website (forsythco.com).

In October, landscape modifications at the County Administration Building are scheduled to begin. The new plant materials were chosen to reduce maintenance costs, as well as create a cohesive look with adjacent county buildings.

In addition to the external modifications, there will be changes inside the County Administration Building. The large conference room in the commissioners' office is being relocated and expanded to accommodate additional seating for those attending work sessions and other meetings held in this room. In order to expand the conference room, there will be changes to the configuration of the commissioners' and administrative offices, with some administrative staff being moved into the space previously occupied by Voter Registration and Elections. Funds for renovations to the administrative space are being derived from SPLOST VII.

"We are looking forward to having the additional space and seating for residents and staff who attend the board's work sessions," said County Manager Eric Johnson. "In addition to increased capacity in this room, we will also be installing technology that will allow for overflow and remote viewing of meetings held in the conference room."

The contract for construction on the administrative area is anticipated to be awarded on October 18, with construction projected to begin late November to early December. The project is estimated to be completed in the second quarter of 2019. During construction, commissioner work sessions will be held

in the Commissioners Meeting Room (Suite 220), where regular board meetings are held. Updates on all of these projects can be found on the Public Facilities page at forsythco.com.

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