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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 6:00PM within the Commission Hall of the Sullivan County Historic Courthouse, located at 3411 Highway 126, Blountville, TN. The Public Hearing will consider the following rezoning requests from individual property owners: 1) Gouge Little \& Associates has request their property to be rezoned from A-1 (General Agricultural) to R-1 (single-family residential) located off Hwy 11E across from the Piney Flats Presbyterian Church, Tax Map 135, Parcel 177.00 and; 2) Larry J. Roberts, Trustee requests 3 acres of their property to be rezoned from A-1 (General Agricultural) to AR (Agricultural Recreational) at 1653 Bullock Hollow Road, Bristol, Tax Map 084, Parcel 165.00. All inquiries, questions or concerns can be shared prior to the public meeting by contacting the Planning Director at 423.279.2603 or by emailing her at planning@sullivancountytn.gov. Copies of these amendments are filed in the Sullivan County Planning \& Codes Department located within the Historic Snow House at 3425 Hwy 126, Blountville, TN.


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A request for rezoning is made by the person named below; said request to go before the $\qquad$ Regional Planning Commission for recommendation to the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners.

Date: $4 / 12 / 22$
Property Owner: Gouge Little + Associates
Address: / 235 Old Boones Lreek Rd Jonestorowh , TN 37655
Phone number: 423 Email: + cgouge 70 gmal 9319 Coon

## Property Identification

Tax Map: 135 Group: Parcel: /77.00

Civil District: 9 Commission District: 5

Property Location: Rristl HWY S OF
Purpose of Rezoning: 14 lot cesidential development

## Meetings

Planning Commission:
Place: Historic Courthouse, 2nd Floor, 3411 Hwy 126 Blountville TN
Date: May 17, 2022

Approved: Time: 6 Pm
Denied: $\qquad$

## County Commission:

Place: Historic Courthouse $2^{\text {nd }}$ Floor Commission Chambers! 3411 Highway 126!Blountville, TN
Date: June 16,2022
Time: 6:00 PM
Approved 24 Yes
Approved: $\qquad$ _

Denied: $\qquad$

## DEED RESTRICTIONS

I understand that rezoning does not release my property from the requirements of private deed/Subdivision restrictions. The undersign, being duly sworn, hereby acknowledges that the information provided in this petition to Sullivan County for Rezoning is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.


## F1. Rezoning Request A-1 to R-1 - The Orchard Subdivision Plan

## FINDINGS OF FACT -

Property Owners:
Applicants:
Representative:
Location:
Mailing Address of Owners:
Civil district of rezoning:
Commission District:
Parcel ID:
Subdivision of Record:
PC1101 Growth Boundary:
Utility District:
Public Sewer:
Lot/Tract Acreage:
Zoning:
Surrounding Zoning:
Requested Zoning:
Existing Land Use:
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Neighborhood Opposition:

## Gouge Little \& Associates

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Travis Gouge
off Hwy 11E in Piney Flats, directly across from PF Presbyterian Church 1235 Old Boones Creek Road, Jonesborough, TN
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5th
Tax Map 135, parcel 177.00
n/a - former Elsea Farm survey
Johnson City Urban Growth Boundary
Johnson City Utility District
n/a
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A-1
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R-1
vacant meadow, formerly used for pasture/hay
Greenhouses, Residential, O'Reilly's Auto and Tree Farm
Low Density Residential/General Agricultural
None received prior to meeting

## Staff Field Notes and Findings of Facts:

- The owner is requesting to rezone his large tract from A-1 to R-1 in order to develop the property into $1 / 2$ acre minimum single family residential lots.
- A concept plan is included.
- The Johnson City Water Department has agreed to provide public water to the site to support a 6-inch water line extension for the development.
- Staff recommends in favor of this request as public water is available to support the rezoning request and proposed land use.
- The developer swapped land with the church in order to square up the church parsonage lot and to provide 50 feet of public road frontage for this formerly landlocked farm tract.
- The site is located directly behind the FJ Torbett Greenhouses and in front of the American Uniting LLC Tree Farm.
- If rezoned, the developer will present construction plans back to the Planning Commission for the proposed Orchard Subdivision.


## Meeting Notes at Planning Commission:

- Staff provided a background report and recommendation.
- Ron Gouge and Travis Gouge were both present.
- Staff included pictures of the site and draft concept plan for reference.
- Staff did not receive any calls of inquiry or opposition. There was no one present to oppose the request either.
- Calvin Clifton suggested a detention pond on the location of the centralized mailbox location on lot 1. Discussion followed.
- Staff did not have the engineering study yet at this point.
- Laura McMillan motioned for forward a favorable recommendation for the rezoning request to the County Commission.
- Mary Ann Hager seconded the motion and the vote in favor of the request passed unanimously.
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## Sullivan County

Planning \& Codes Department 3425 Highway 126 | Historic Snow House

## NOTICE OF REZONING REQUEST

April 25, 2022

## Dear Property Owner:

Please be advised Gouge, Little \& Associates have applied to Sullivan County to rezone property located on Bristol Highway from A-1 (General Agricultural/Estate Residential District) to R-1 (Low Density/Single-Family Residential District) for the purpose of a subdivision.

## Sullivan County Regional Planning Commission - 6:00 PM on May 17, 2022

## County Commission - 6:00 PM on June 16, 2022

Both meetings are held in the Old Historic Sullivan County Courthouse, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Floor Commission Hall at 3411 Highway 126, downtown Blountville. Please let the Sullivan County Planner know if you need any special assistance for these public meetings at 423-279-2603.

Regards,


Ambre M. Torbett, AICP Director Planning \& Codes mh



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PETITION TO SULLIVAN COUNTY FOR REZONING
A request for rezoning is made by the person named below; said request to go before the Sullivan County Regional Planning Commission for recommendation to the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners.

Date: 2-17-22
Property Owner: LARRY IT ROBERTS , TRUSTEE
Address: 335 EDEN PARK DR ROCKY FACE, GA 30740
Phone number: 706-313-2542 Email: Coreywroberts@yahoo.cam
Property Identification
Tax Map: 84
Zoning Map:
Property Location:

Group:
Zoning District:
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HOLLOW RD

Parcel: 165
Proposed District: $A R$

Civil District:
Commission District:
Purpose of Rezoning: RENTAL CABINS

Meetings
Planning Commission:
Place: Historic Courthouse, and Floor, 3411 Hwy 126 Blountville TN
Date: April 19, 2022
Time:

Approved: $\qquad$ Denied: $\qquad$

County Commission:
Place: Historic Courthouse $2^{\text {nd }}$ Floor Commission Chambers l 3411 Highway 1261Blountville, TN
Date: They 19,2022
Time: 6:00 PM
Approved: $\qquad$ Approved 14 Yes, 10 No
Denied: $\qquad$

DEED RESTRICTIONS
I understand that rezoning does not release my property from the requirements of private deed/Subdivision restrictions. The undersign, being duly sworn, hereby acknowledges that the information provided in this petition to Sullivan County for Rezoning is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.


## F. Rezoning Requests: Zoning Plan Amendment: Zoning Map Change

F2. Rezoning Request A-1 to AR - Roberts Property - Bullock Hollow Road

## FINDINGS OF FACT-

Property Owners:
Applicants:
Representative:
Location:
Mailing Address of Owners:
Civil district of rezoning:
Commission District:
Parcel ID:
Subdivision of Record:
PC1101 Growth Boundary:
Utility District:
Public Sewer:
Lot/Tract Acreage:
Zoning:
Surrounding Zoning:
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Larry J. Roberts, Trustee<br>Corey Roberts<br>same<br>1653 Bullock Hollow Road, Bristol area<br>335 Eden Park Drive, Rocky Face, Georgia<br>21 st<br>1st<br>Tax Map 084, Part of Parcel 165.00<br>n/a<br>Sullivan County Rural Area<br>South Fork Utility District<br>n/a<br>Proposed 3-acre lot (see survey)<br>A-1, General Agricultural<br>A-1<br>AR - Agricultural Recreational for a Cabin Development<br>Single Family dwelling by South Fork of the Holston River and Farmland<br>Single Family and farmland<br>Low Density Residential/General Agricultural - Recreational Overlay one phone call - concerned if multiple cabins were planned

## Staff Field Notes and Findings of Facts:

- The owner is requesting to rezone a three-acre lot to Agricultural Recreational for the purpose of developing the land for a few cabins. The cabins would provide accommodations for guests seeking access to the South Fork of the Holston River, South Holston Lake, and the local trails for example.
- The 2006-2026 Land Use Plan designated this area long the river as a future recreational zone.
- For permanent structures, such as the cabins, the density would be 1 cabin per $1 / 2$ acre or greater depending on soil suitability for septic systems.
- Staff recommends in favor of this rezoning request.
- Should the RRC - Rural Resort \& Cabin Development Zoning District be adopted by County Commission, staff would recommend this AR zone be changed to RRC zone to better align with the owner's request.

Meeting Notes at Planning Commission:

- This request was deferred from last month to afford applicant time to be present at hearing, as he had a scheduling conflict.
- Staff read her report and summarized comments from the community at the last meeting.
- Calvin Clifton asked about the irregular zoning boundary configuration as requested.
- Ambre Torbett, Planning Director (staff) stated that the boundary is based upon sight visibility of the proposed entrance for the cottage development, viewshed, preserving the woods and remaining farm as well as to ensure the owner's home would have privacy per his request. She walked the land with the owner to confirm location of future cabins if approved.
- Mr. Roberts addressed the commission. He stated he would like to build two rental cabins, each being 1,000 square feet on the hillside. This will result in no tree removal on the farm. The cabins would be over 500 feet away from the river. He will have a fulltime manager of the property on-site daily if rezoning is approved.
- Staff distributed the zoning petition from the Big Springs Road residents.
- The chairman asked the owner if this was his second home. Mr. Roberts stated that it was. He confirmed they come up about twice a month to enjoy the home and river property and wanted to keep it that way, while sharing it with guests.
- Sherry Hicks, 547 Big Springs Road, stated she and her family live directly across the river. She stated her family has lived there for multiple generations. Sound travels across the river. She stated that they live there not to make money but to enjoy their home.
- Charlie Phelps, 655 Big Springs Road, was concerned about noise and trash on Big Springs Road. He stated there is more traffic now. Too much press and social media promoting trout fishing has created more users of the river.
- Russ and Cindy Frankhouser, 1185 Bullock Hollow Road, spoke in opposition to the rezoning request. They have enjoyed peace and tranquility for years but there are more fishermen and guests accessing the river.
- Betty Cogan, 2085 Bullock Hollow Road, stated she was approved for AR a few years ago and built 4 cabins on her family farm. She lives on site. She agrees it is a lot to manage the cabins, but she needed to offset the lost income from having to move her cattle off the river per State Conservation Plan. Her cabins range from 400 to 600 square feet on the Crumley Farms, called The Reserve.
- Mr. Corey Roberts addressed the concerns of the residents. He confirmed that he was the type of person to clean up the county ditches and river from trash that washed down. He picks up trash all of the time, but he is not sure how to stop that just from local use. He and his family have been coming up to the river for almost 20 years, so he now owns his own place rather than having to rent. He found it was very difficult to find places to rent in the county so he feels there is huge need for this. The local fishermen guides have requested this as well.
- Calvin Clifton and other members stated that the request in front of them is for the rezoning. The chair reiterated the rezoning process.
- Phillis Mullins, 569 Big Springs Road, asked Mr. Roberts how he planned on providing access to the river for his guests.
- Mr. Roberts stated he would permit foot traffic only per the plan.
- Michelle Babroski, 565 Big Spring Road, said there were almost 70 short-term rentals along the river.
- Calvin Clifton confirmed that he found several on AirBnB. He opined that the overarching "white elephant" in the room on this matter was the fact that there were so many short-term rentals that did not seek county approval, spoiling it for landowners like Mr. Roberts, who is trying to request permission up front. His plan would be a legal plan per zoning if approved, while the others are not. He asked staff about AirBnB approvals.
- Staff explained that there is no enforceable means or strategy for local county planners to regulate these short-term rentals in existing single-family dwellings. She does not have the staff resources to investigate, or control based upon the limited zoning parameters and lack of support from the assessor. She explained that the state assessor of property guidelines does not distinguish between long term or short-term rentals on single family dwellings unless it becomes a Bed and Breakfast Inn with multiple rooms for multi family rental. She has discussed this with her TN Planning Association members (TAPA) as well. Most short-term rentals are the best kept property, as many landowners make improvements and hire property management firms for the home to ensure repeat guests.
- Calvin Clifton summarized that the bigger issue here is the lack of zoning enforcement remedies for short-term rentals on single family homes. Mr. Roberts should not be penalized for his plan to legally construct a few cabins across the river.
- John Moody agreed that the proposed rezoning boundary seemed to be well thought out due to topography while preserving the woods and 15 acres remaining.
- Darlene Calton motioned to forward a favorable recommendation on to the County Commission for this request.
- The motion was seconded by John Moody and others. The vote passed unanimously.











## NOTICE OF REZONING REQUEST

March 28, 2022

## Dear Property Owner:

Please be advised Mr. Larry Roberts has applied to Sullivan County to rezone property located 1653 Bullock Hollow Road from A-1 (General Agricultural/Estate Residential District) to AR (Agricultural, Rural Residential and Light Recreational District for the purpose of cabins.

# Sullivan County Regional Planning Commission - 6:00 PM on April 19, 2022 

County Commission - 6:00 PM on May 19, 2022

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We, the undersigned, do hereby strongly OPPOSE the rezoning requested by Larry Roberts of the property on 1653 Bullock Hollow Rd from A-1 (residential) to AR (recreational) for the following reasons:

1. Rezoning to AR (or ARR) would not be for the betterment of the surrounding community.
2. Building additional recreational rentals and/or facilities would interfere with the privacy and enjoyment of the neighborhood and environment for community residents.
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