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**ORANGE COUNTY WELCOMES NEW
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

Orange County, VA – Orange County is pleased to announce the employment of Josh Gillespie, AICP as Director of Planning and Development Services effective March 8, 2021.

Mr. Gillespie, a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, brings over twenty-five (25) years of progressive planning and land use experience to Orange County. He received his undergraduate education from Furman University and completed courses towards a Masters of Historic Preservation from the University of Georgia. Mr. Gillespie has worked for the public and in private practice.

Most recently, in his position of Planning and Special Projects Manager for Chesterfield County, Mr. Gillespie managed planning and zoning projects, worked on residential and conditional use proposals, policy amendments, strategic planning, and led inter-agency reviews of large mixed-use projects.



“Orange County is pleased to welcome Mr. Gillespie to our team,” Theodore L. Voorhees, County Administrator noted. “He brings with him many years of planning experience and has a passion for implementing focused development that values community character.”

Gillespie said he is privileged to have the opportunity to serve Orange County and looks forward to working with staff, Boards, and Commissions on planning and development projects.

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