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## **UPDATE REGARDING ANNEXATION TO THE VILLAGE OF DEFOREST FOR DATA CENTER DEVELOPMENT**

DeForest, WI – The Peter E. Snyder and Alla Snyder Revocable Living Trust has published, and the Village has received, a Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition for Annexation of Territory from the Town of Vienna to the Village of DeForest which contains approximately 1,135 acres. Although a petition is not yet received, the notice states that an annexation petition shall be circulated for signatures not less than ten (10) days nor more than twenty (20) days from the date of the notice.

If an annexation petition is filed with the Village, it will be reviewed in accordance with state statutes and with consideration of the project's impact on the Village. It will also be reviewed by the Wisconsin Department of Administration to determine whether the proposed annexation is in the public interest. In both cases, the analysis will be the same as with any other annexation request.

Any land use applications related to the annexation will be considered and processed in accordance with the DeForest Municipal Code. Opportunities for the public to learn about, and comment on, the project will be provided as part of the Village's normal due diligence process. Until the Village receives an application and fully understands the scope and details of the project, it cannot make any decisions or initiate any of the necessary formal reviews.

The Village understands the public's concerns regarding data centers and the proposed project related to the annexation, and has questions of its own that will require further exploration. Like other projects seeking to develop in DeForest, the Village will work to obtain pertinent information and provide it to the public as it becomes available.

The Village will set up a separate website regarding this project and future information about the project will be posted on the site. Inquiries regarding the project may be emailed to [datacenterinfo@deforestwi.gov](mailto:datacenterinfo@deforestwi.gov).

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