

## Fayette County Appoints Water System Director

**Fayette County, Georgia, August 2, 2019** – Fayette County announces appointment of Vanessa Tigert as Water System Director. Tigert has worked for the County since 2007. Appointed Director of Environmental Management and Solid Waste Departments in 2010, she is responsible for budget development and implementation of multiple county environmental programs. Most recently she led the education process and subsequent implementation of the 2017 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax program. Prior to joining Fayette County, she worked for the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality developing state environmental protection programs and as the state environmental coordinator for emergency spill response.

The interview panel, comprised of Fayette County's County Administrator, Human Resource Director, Interim Water System Director and Engineer of Record; and, the City of Griffin's Public Utilities Director, interviewed eight candidates; six external and two internal. After assessing all of the candidates, it was the panel's unanimous consensus that Vanessa Tigert be offered the position based on her detailed understanding of the demands of the position.

"Her promotion is largely based upon her past successes in the County. She has consistently been identified as a top performer and has a proven track record. We are extremely grateful to have Tigert joining the Fayette County senior management team," said County Manager Steve Rapson. "Tigert has exactly the type of program management and technical experience needed to lead the Water System."

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