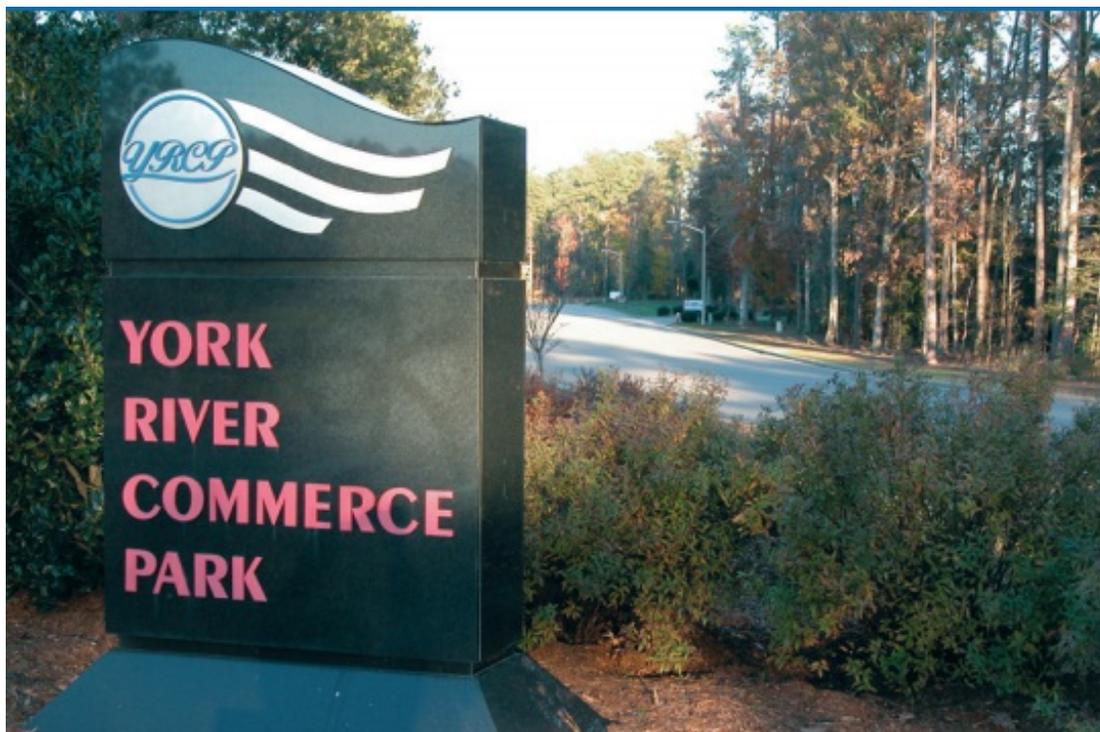


Multi-million dollar data center possibly coming to York County

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York River Commerce Park (WYDaily/ Screenshot courtesy of York County)

The York County Board of Supervisors recently approved two grant and infrastructure agreements to possibly create a new data center.

Delaware-based T- Rex Ventures LLC plans to build and invest \$60 million in a [new data center](#) at the York River Commerce Park, [according to the York County Memorandum document](#).

“The Tech Center is designed to be a ReGeneration Node for Hyperscale cloud providers; a telecom Point of Presence for 5G networks, and a Mobile Switching Center for wireless carriers and Content Delivery Networks (CDNs),” [according to T-Rex Ventures LLC’s website](#). “The T-Rex data center will also serve as a computing hub for Fortune 1000 enterprises as well as a private Network Access Point (NAP) for the U.S. Federal Government and its defense cleared contracting community.”

The new data center would be located on 23.64 acres at the park’s site, [700 Old York Hampton Highway](#), with the data center building totaling 161,890 square feet.

T-Rex Ventures wants to buy the property from Dominion Energy, who currently owns the park, according to the documents.

The first agreement is a grant from the Economic Development Authority of \$1,480,899 million to T-Rex Ventures and a \$378,140 credit from Dominion Energy to the county, which can be used for the new data center once the property is purchased by T-Rex Ventures.

The money will be used for construction, reimbursement of local taxes for building and improvement on the property and local taxes against business personal property affiliated with the project, according to the grant agreement.

The infrastructure agreement allows the credit from Dominion Energy to be used toward buying the property.

T- Rex Ventures has to buy the space before Jan. 31, 2021 and has 18 months to build the center.

The EDA will give the tech company \$680,899 grant and up to \$800,000 for another grant, according to the agreement.

Jim Noel, the county's director of economic development, said he was unsure how the average pay for the jobs.

He said the number of jobs will ramp up over time, about 20 to 30 jobs in total.

"It certainly wont be that way initially," he said. "They need to lease 20,000 square feet of the space before they pull the trigger."

As of July 8, T-Rex Ventures has not purchased the property yet but "the option is there," Noel said. T-Rex Ventures has started talks with contract providers but did not specify who they are.

"The team that they have assembled is top notch," Noel said. "They've done these projects before very successfully."

Noel said he feels the project is "perfect" for the county and will have "significant" tax revenue.

"It's a really good use of that property," he said. "We're excited and we're working with them to get this thing started."

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