



Agenda Abstract

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: May 27, 2026
Department: Planning and Economic Development
Agenda Section: Regular
Public hearing: Yes
Date of public hearing: May 27, 2026

PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT

Planning and Economic Development Manager Shannan Campbell

ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED

Subject: Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment on Adoption of an Ordinance Imposing a 60-day Development Moratoria on Data Centers as a Land Use

Attachments:

None

Summary:

At the April 27, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting, the board requested that staff provide background information and facilitate discussion on the potential development of data centers in Hillsborough. Staff presented information on data centers as a land use at the May 11, 2026 town board meeting. After deliberating the pros and cons of both large- and small-scale data centers and recognizing that the current Town of Hillsborough Unified Development Ordinance does not address the land use or its impacts, the board adopted a resolution of intent to enact a future temporary moratorium. The board also directed staff to hold a public hearing, pursuant to N.C. General Statute 160D-107(b), at the next available meeting to consider a 60-day moratorium on data centers as a land use. Town staff posted public notice of the public hearing at Town Hall and the Town Hall Annex and published a legal advertisement in the May 20 issue of the News of Orange, a local newspaper with general circulation in the area.

Financial impacts:

N/A

Staff recommendation and comments:

N/A

Action requested:

Receive public comment.