



RESOLUTION

Stating Intent to Consider Regulations Pertaining to Development of Data Centers in the Town's Zoning Jurisdiction

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Board of Commissioners has zoning authority within the corporate limits of the town of Hillsborough and its extraterritorial jurisdiction pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 160D-201; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Unified Development Ordinance does not specifically define land use for data centers or have appropriate regulations for this emerging category of land use; and

WHEREAS, data centers and the land use regulations pertaining to their development are a frequent topic of conversation throughout North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, potential negative impacts from the development of data centers must be studied and understood to mitigate those impacts; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of Hillsborough and its residents would be better served by the adoption of specific regulations for data centers; and

WHEREAS, no current development applications related to data centers are subject to the Town of Hillsborough's planning and zoning jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate at this time to provide official notice to the public and any potential future applicants that the Board of Commissioners intends to craft regulations related to the development of data centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved the Hillsborough Board of Commissioners intends to:

1. Define data centers as a land use and establish appropriate regulations for the development of such.
2. Consider a short-term temporary moratorium of 60 days or less pursuant to General Statute 160D-107.
3. Explore the potential for a longer-term moratorium pursuant to General Statute 160D-107(d).

Approved this 11th day of May of the year 2026.

Mark Bell, Mayor
Town of Hillsborough

Attestation:

Sarah Kimrey, Town Clerk