

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IOWA COLONY, TEXAS, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF DATA CENTERS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF IOWA COLONY UNTIL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, IMPACT ANALYSIS, AND REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS CAN BE EVALUATED; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Iowa Colony is a home-rule municipality operating under the council-manager form of government pursuant to its Charter and the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony is charged with enacting policies and protecting the health, safety, welfare, and quality of life of the community and its residents pursuant to the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Iowa Colony has adopted strategic goals emphasizing sustainable growth, infrastructure planning, transparency, responsible governance, and preservation of the community's character and long-term livability; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that large-scale data center developments may have significant impacts on municipal infrastructure, including electrical demand, water consumption, wastewater capacity, drainage systems, transportation networks, emergency services, land use compatibility, environmental sustainability, and long-term economic development planning; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further recognizes that the rapid advancement of artificial intelligence technologies and hyperscale computing facilities has resulted in increasing requests for development of data center facilities throughout Texas and the Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that additional study and analysis are necessary to evaluate the potential impacts of data center development on the City's utility systems, public infrastructure, public safety operations, tax base, economic development goals, environmental resources, and overall community character before such development is considered within the corporate limits of the City of Iowa Colony; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to ensure that any future consideration of data center development is conducted in a manner that is deliberate, transparent, data-driven, and aligned with the City's Comprehensive Plan, Strategic Plan, and infrastructure capabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Iowa Colony to formally express opposition to the construction and development of data centers within the City limits until additional information and policy direction can be obtained and evaluated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IOWA COLONY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Findings. The foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein for all purposes as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Expression of Opposition. The City Council of the City of Iowa Colony hereby expresses its opposition to the construction, development, expansion, or approval of data center facilities within the corporate limits of the City of Iowa Colony until further analysis, studies, and policy considerations have been completed and reviewed by the City Council.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

SECTION 4. Open Meetings Act. It is hereby officially found and determined that this meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 20th DAY OF JULY 2026.

CITY OF IOWA COLONY

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary