

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-011

VILLAGE OF KRONENWETTER, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON NEW DATA CENTER DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND REFERRING THE MATTER TO THE PLANNING AND UTILITY COMMITTEES FOR FURTHER STUDY

WHEREAS, the Village of Kronenwetter is currently engaged in a comprehensive review and modernization of its zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, the CITY's existing zoning code does not contain specific definitions, use, classifications, siting criteria, operational, standards, or infrastructure requirements for data center development; and

WHEREAS, data centers represent a rapidly evolving land use with the potential to significantly impact electrical systems, utility infrastructure, water and wastewater systems, transportation networks, land use patterns, environmental resources, municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that additional study and public engagement are necessary to evaluate the potential impacts of data center development and to determine whether amendments to the Village's zoning code, comprehensive plan, utility planning efforts, or other municipal regulations may be warranted; and;

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that allowing new data center development applications to proceed before such a review is completed may undermine the Villages' ability to establish an appropriate regulatory framework;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board of the Village of Kronenwetter that a temporary moratorium is hereby established on the acceptance, processing, approval, and issuance of permits, licenses, zoning approvals, conditional use permits, site plans, or other development approvals for new data center developments with the Village of Kronenwetter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this moratorium shall remain in effect for a period of one (1) year from the date of adoption unless terminated earlier by action of the Village Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Village Board may extend the moratorium by subsequent action should additional time be determined necessary to complete the review process and implement appropriate regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matter is hereby referred to the Plan Commission and Utility Committee for study, public engagement, and recommendations as part of the Village's ongoing zoning code rewrite process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Plan Commission and Utility Committee evaluate and make recommendations regarding, at a minimum:

1. Definitions and classifications of data center use;
2. Appropriate zoning districts and locational criteria;
3. Utility and infrastructure impacts;

4. Water and wastewater considerations;
5. Noise, backup generation, and public health considerations;
6. Environmental and sustainability impacts;
7. Economic developments impacts;
8. Design, buffering, performance standards;
9. Any other matters deemed relevant by the Plan Commission or Utility Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Village Board may refer the matter to additional committees, commissions, staff, utility providers, governmental agencies, subject matter experts, or other stakeholders as it deems appropriate to obtain information and public feedback during the review period.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT Plan Commission and Utility Committee shall provide and submit final recommendations prior to the expiration of the moratorium.

VILLAGE BOARD, VILLAGE OF
KRONENWETTER

ATTEST

By: _____
Daniel L. Joling, Village President

By: _____
Jennifer Poyer, Village Clerk