



Planning and Development Department

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RE: Clarification of the Shawano County Data Center Moratorium

To Whom This May Concern:

The proposed Data Center Moratorium only applies to unincorporated towns in Shawano County whom have adopted county zoning. It does not apply to the towns of Almon, Bartelme, Belle Plaine, Hartland, Hutchins, Lessor, Pella, Richmond, and Wescott, which either have their own zoning or no zoning, or any village or city in the county because they also have their own zoning.

The purpose of the Moratorium is to pause the acceptance, filing, processing, review, consideration, and approval of any application, petition, permit, license, certification, zoning approval, land use approval, building approval, or other County authorization for the siting, construction, establishment, or expansion of any Data Center in the unincorporated areas of Shawano County whom have adopted county zoning.

At this time the Planning and Development Department has not received any inquiries into permitting for a Data Center in the towns under county zoning. This is merely a precautionary measure to allow the county sufficient time to study, analyze, and evaluate the potential impacts of Data Centers and determine how to amend plans, ordinances, or regulations as necessary.

The purpose of the 6/3/26 meeting is to discuss specifically the moratorium and the language therein. Due to an anticipated large attendance at the public hearing, any interested person may address the Planning, Development and Zoning Committee, but time may be limited per person. Please see the official public hearing notice for more information.

Sincerely,

The Shawano County Planning & Development Department



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