

Exhibit A: Amendments to Chapter 151 of the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances

Underline = Staff recommendation

I. Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers

Amendment #1

Amend Section 151.011 by adding subsection D to define and impose a temporary moratorium on data centers:

§ 151.011 TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS.

(D). Temporary moratorium on applications for development and operation of data centers:

- (1) Temporarily prohibit Data Centers, as defined in subsection § (D)(4) below, within the unincorporated area of Lake County to allow sufficient time to research best practices for regulating data center development and operation.
- (2) The moratorium on Data Centers will expire on May 11, 2027, or earlier upon the County Board adoption of any resulting data center regulations.
- (3) Any Data Center that is proposed after the effective date of this moratorium will not be considered by Lake County until the expiration of this moratorium.
- (4) A Data Center is defined as a facility or portion of a facility which houses computer or network equipment, systems, servers, appliances, and associated mechanical, electrical, backup power storage and/or generation and cooling infrastructure for the purposes of collection, storage, management, processing, and transmission of digital data. Ancillary office, security, or utility structures customarily associated with data center operations may be included as part of the use. The term includes facilities operated as standalone buildings or as part of a larger multi-building data-center campus, and is distinct from general industrial, office, or warehouse uses.