

**CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
KENT COUNTY MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION NO. 024-2026

**A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A SIX (6)-MONTH TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON
DATA CENTERS AND CRYPTOCURRENCY MINING FACILITIES**

At a meeting of the Township Board of Cascade Charter Township, Kent County, Michigan, held in the Wisner Center, 2870 Jacksmith Avenue SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546 on the 27th day of May, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Korstange, Trustees Shipley, Rissi and Noordhoek.

ABSENT: Trustee Noordyke.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Treasurer Korstange and seconded by Trustee Shipley.

WHEREAS, the Cascade Charter Township Board ("Township Board") is authorized to protect and promote the public health, safety, and welfare of Township residents through the adoption and enforcement of the Township's Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board may, by resolution, impose a temporary moratorium on the review or issuance of any applications, permits, rezonings, licenses, or approvals for existing, new, or emerging land uses in the Township if the Township Board determines that a temporary moratorium is necessary to review, enact, or amend provisions of the Master Plan or Zoning Ordinance to address land uses that may impact the health, safety, or welfare of Township residents or property; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has observed increasing interest in the development of Data Centers and Cryptocurrency Mining Facilities, which constitute emerging land uses that may present unique and significant impacts related to land use compatibility, public infrastructure capacity, energy consumption, noise, environmental effects, public services, and long-term land-use planning; and

WHEREAS, the Township's current Zoning Ordinance does not expressly or comprehensively regulate Data Centers or Cryptocurrency Mining Facilities as distinct land uses; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board finds that allowing applications or approvals for such land uses to proceed during the pendency of regulatory review could result in development that is incompatible with existing zoning districts or adversely affects the public health, safety, or welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board finds that a temporary moratorium of limited duration is a reasonable and necessary planning tool to allow sufficient time to review, study, and consider potential amendments to the Township's Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of Cascade Charter Township, Kent County, Michigan, as follows:

1. Temporary Moratorium Imposed.

A temporary moratorium is hereby imposed on the review, acceptance, processing, or issuance of any applications, permits, rezonings, licenses, or approvals for Data Centers and Cryptocurrency Mining Facilities, including but not limited to zoning approvals, site plan approvals, special land use permits, zoning compliance permits, and building permits.

2. Purpose of Moratorium.

The purpose of this moratorium is to allow the Township sufficient time to review, study, and recommend amendments to the Township's Master Plan and/or Zoning Ordinance to appropriately regulate Data Centers and Cryptocurrency Mining Facilities in a manner that protects the public health, safety, and welfare.

3. Term of Moratorium.

The moratorium imposed by this Resolution shall remain in effect for six (6) months from the effective date of this Resolution, unless terminated earlier by action of the Township Board.

4. Extension.

Upon a determination by the Township Board that additional time is necessary to complete the review, enactment, or amendment of the Master Plan and/or Zoning Ordinance, the Township Board may extend the moratorium by resolution for up to an additional six (6) months.

5. Findings Adopted.

The Township Board hereby adopts the foregoing recitals as its findings in support of this Resolution and finds that the temporary moratorium is necessary and in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of Township residents and property.

6. Notice.

Notice of adoption of this Resolution shall be published within fifteen (15) days following its adoption. The notice shall include:

- (a) A summary of the Resolution's effect;

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- (b) The length of the moratorium and whether an extension is possible; and
- (c) The location where the public may inspect the Resolution enacting the moratorium.

7. Repealer.

Any resolutions or portions of resolutions that are inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed.

8. Effective Date.

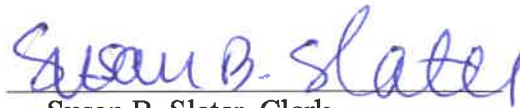
This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Upon roll call vote:

YEAS: Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Korstange, Trustees Shipley, Rissi and Noordhoek.

ABSENT: Noordyke.

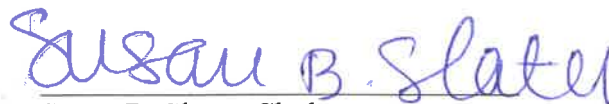
The Supervisor declared Resolution 024-2026 adopted.



Susan B. Slater, Clerk
Cascade Charter Township

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of Cascade Charter Township, County of Kent, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on May 27, 2026, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.



Susan B. Slater, Clerk
Cascade Charter Township