

**HAMPTON TOWNSHIP
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA
Ordinance No. 2026-02**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HAMPTON TOWNSHIP
ZONING ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT DATA CENTERS**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Hampton ordains:

Section I. Definitions. Article I, Section 102 of Hampton Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by adding a new definition as follows:

28. Data Center: A building, group of buildings, or portion thereof containing at least 10,000 square feet on a single property and whose principal use is the storage, processing, management, hosting, transmission, or distribution of digital data through interconnected information technology and telecommunications equipment. The term includes associated infrastructure such as backup power generation, electrical substations, power distribution systems, cooling systems, security systems, and other utility infrastructure serving the facility. The term shall not include information technology equipment or facilities that are accessory and subordinate to another lawful principal use on the property, provided the such equipment and facilities do not occupy more than 20% of the total floor space of all the structures on the property.

Section II. Data Centers. Article II of Hampton Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by adding a new Section 204 as follows:

Section 204: Prohibited Uses

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this zoning ordinance, and without limiting the general rule that prohibits any use that is not listed as an allowed use in a zoning district, the following uses are not an allowed use anywhere within the Township:

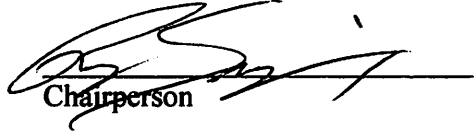
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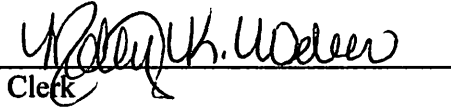
Section III. Incorporation of Amendments. The Town Attorney and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to incorporate the amendments made by this ordinance, and any previous amendments that have not been incorporated, into the Zoning Ordinance, including updating the table of contents and making non-substantive corrections as may be needed. Such updated document shall constitute the Township's official Hampton Township Zoning Ordinance.

Section IV. Effective Date. This Ordinance is effective on the first day of publication of an approved summary.

Adopted this 15 day of SEPTEMBER 2026.

BY THE TOWN BOARD


Chairperson

Attest: 
Clerk

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