

RESOLUTION #1142-09-09-2025**Resolution Approving a Moratorium on Data Mining Facilities**

WHEREAS, Data Mining is the commercial process by which volumes of data are analyzed to find patterns, discover trends, and gain insight into how the data can be used, and when conducted at scale, such operations constitute a Data Mining Facility; and

WHEREAS, concerns have been raised by public officials and residents regarding Jackson County's level of preparedness to address Data Mining Facility development, since the County does not yet have a specific ordinance governing such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the County has an interest in protecting infrastructure, natural resources, and property rights, as well as ensuring adequate setback provisions and fire protection measures before allowing such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission and staff require additional time to gather information and coordinate with multiple agencies for the purpose of drafting and recommending appropriate regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors previously enacted a temporary moratorium on March 25, 2025, which expired on August 31, 2025, and the County finds it necessary to re-establish a temporary pause in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare while regulations are finalized.

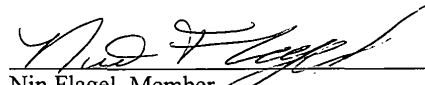
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County, Iowa, that a moratorium on the development and construction of Data Mining Facilities, and on the issuance of permits relating to such development and construction of Data Mining Facilities, is approved beginning immediately upon adoption of this Resolution and terminating on August 31, 2026, unless ended sooner by action of the Board of Supervisors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Jackson County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to end the moratorium prior to its expiration upon completion and adoption of a satisfactorily developed Data Mining Facilities Ordinance.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THIS 9th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.



Don Schwenker, Chair


Alisa Smith, County Auditor
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Mike Steines, Member