

Village of Botkins, Ohio

Ordinance No. 26-09

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 153.006 AND 153.037 OF THE
VILLAGE OF BOTKINS ZONING CODE TO DEFINE AND PROHIBIT
DATA CENTERS**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Botkins, Ohio, passed Ordinance 25-24 which amended and restated the zoning regulations “Zoning Code” of the Village of Botkins; and

WHEREAS, Section 153.006 of the Botkins Zoning Code sets forth definitions, and Section 153.037 sets forth permitted and conditional uses; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that Data Centers may create land use impacts, utility demands, noise, and other operational characteristics that are inconsistent with the Village’s land use planning objectives and the character of its zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has recommended that section 153.006 be amended to include a definition for “Data Center” and that section 153.037 be amended to indicate that there are no districts in Botkins where a Data Center is a permitted or conditional use.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Village of Botkins, Ohio, a majority of the members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1

Section 153.006 of the Botkins Zoning Code shall be amended to contain the following definition:

Data Center - A facility, building, or use in which the primary activity is the processing, storage, hosting, transmission, management, or large-scale computation of digital data through computers, servers, mining equipment, or similar electronic or telecommunications equipment, together with associated cooling, electrical, backup power, utility, and security systems. Accessory office and maintenance areas may be included.

Section 2

Section 153.037 of the Botkins Zoning Code shall be amended to include “Data Center” as a use classification. Data Centers are prohibited in all zoning districts

within the Village of Botkins and shall not be permitted either as a principal use, conditional use, or accessory use.

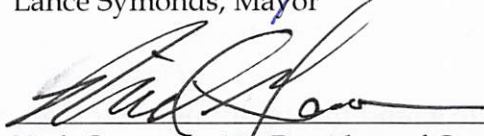
Section 3

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

Adopted this 13 day of May, 2026.

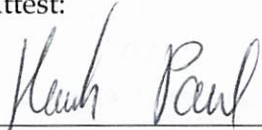


Lance Symonds, Mayor



Nick Greve, Acting President of Council

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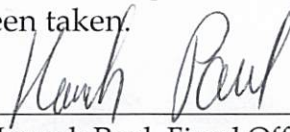


Hannah Paul, Fiscal Officer

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF OHIO)
)SS:
COUNTY OF SHELBY)

I, Hannah Paul, as Fiscal Officer of the Village of Botkins, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 26-09 passed by the Council of the Village of Botkins on the 13 day of May, 2026; that publication of such Ordinance has been made and certified of record according to law; and that no proceedings looking to a referendum upon such Ordinance have been taken.



Hannah Paul, Fiscal Officer