

ORDINANCE KOC 25-910-520
Commonwealth of Kentucky
Oldham County Fiscal Court

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KOC 25-910-508 IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE, PROCESSING, AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OR EXPANSION OF DATA CENTERS OF ANY SIZE, ALL PRIVATE UTILITIES, ALL PRIVATE UTILITY BUILDINGS AND ALL DATA STORAGE FACILITIES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT, UNTIL DATA CENTER REGULATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY

WHEREAS, OLDHAM COUNTY has experienced increased interest in the development of data centers within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, data centers, while contributing to economic development, also have significant impacts on infrastructure, energy consumption, land use, and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the current zoning and development regulations may not adequately address the unique characteristics, demands, and potential cumulative effects of data centers; and

WHEREAS, OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT finds it necessary to evaluate existing policies, infrastructure capacity, and long-term planning objectives regarding data centers; and

WHEREAS, at its October 28, 2025 meeting, the OLDHAM COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION reviewed the proposed data center regulations and made changes thereto and said regulations with the changes have been recommended for approval by the OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT; and

WHEREAS, adequate time does not exist to review and enact the proposed data center regulations before the expiration of the current moratorium enacted by the OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT on November 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT has the power to impose temporary moratoria to protect the public health, safety, and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Moratorium Imposed

The moratorium imposed on July 1, 2025, in Ordinance No. KOC 25-910-508 which imposed a moratorium on acceptance, processing, and approval of all applications related to the establishment, development, or expansion of data centers of any size, all private utilities, all private utility buildings and all data storage facilities within the jurisdiction of OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT until November 28, 2025 is hereby amended to impose a moratorium until such time data center regulations are adopted and approved by the OLDHAM COUNTY FISCAL COURT.

SECTION 2. Purpose


The purpose of this moratorium is to allow time for the judge-executive, magistrates, staff, consultants, and relevant stakeholders to consider infrastructure and utility capacity, environmental and land use impacts, economic benefits for the community, and best practices and regulatory frameworks from comparable jurisdictions and subsequently review and update applicable policies, zoning regulations, and standards related to data center development.

SECTION 3. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.



David Voegel
Judge-Executive



Holly Prain
Fiscal Court Clerk

11/18/2025
Date