JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS
August 11, 2026

At 8:00 A.M., Chair Drish called the meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the first-floor meeting room of the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Board members present were: Susie Drish, Chairman; Joe Ledger, Vice-Chairman; Lee Dimmitt, Supervisor.

The Board discussed a second public hearing on Data Center Ordinance.

It was motioned by Drish, seconded by Ledger to have no second hearing for the data center ordinance. Drish rescinded the motion. Dimmitt moved to waive the second and third public hearings on Data Center Ordinance. Ledger seconded. Dimmitt: "Aye", Ledger: "Aye", Drish: "Aye". Motion carried.

It was motioned by Dimmitt to approve the Data Center Ordinance as constituted effective 8/11/2026 at 8:05 A.M. Ledger seconded the motion. Dimmitt: "Aye", Ledger: "Aye", Drish: "Aye". Motion carried.

It was motioned by Ledger, seconded by Dimmitt to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON NEW DATA CENTER PERMITS UNDER JEFFERSON COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 5-45

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors has adopted Jefferson County Code of Ordinances Chapter 5-45 regulating the construction, expansion, operation, and decommissioning of data centers within the unincorporated areas of Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, data center development may create substantial demands upon electrical-power systems, water supplies, land and agricultural resources, emergency-response services, public infrastructure, and County finances; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that additional study is necessary concerning electrical-power capacity and reliability, water availability and use, land-use impacts and lawful regulatory authority, emergency-response capabilities, and the direct and indirect fiscal effects of data center development upon Jefferson County and the residents thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a temporary moratorium is necessary to allow the County to complete such study and determine whether Chapter 5-45 or other County policies should be amended before additional data center projects are authorized;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. A temporary moratorium is hereby imposed upon the issuance of permits, permit amendments, or other County authorizations under Chapter 5-45 for the construction or material expansion of any new data center project.
2. During the moratorium, no County officer, employee, or agent shall accept, process, approve, or issue an application or authorization prohibited by this Resolution.
3. The moratorium applies to all applications that have not received final approval before the effective date of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution does not revoke or suspend a permit finally approved before its effective date and does not prohibit ordinary maintenance, emergency repairs, work necessary to comply with law or an existing permit, or required decommissioning.
5. The Board specifically sets forth its intention to study the matters identified above and to present recommendations concerning any appropriate amendments to Chapter 5-45 or related County policies.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and shall remain in effect for twelve (12) months, unless earlier rescinded, modified, or extended by lawful action of the Board of Supervisors.

Passed and approved this 11th day of August, 2026.

Ayes: Dimmitt, Ledger, Drish

Nays: None

Susie Drish, Board Chair

Lee Dimmitt, Board Member

Joe Ledger, Board Member

ATTEST:

Christy Conner, Jefferson County Auditor

It was moved by Drish, seconded by Ledger to adjourn. All “Aye”. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Christy L. Conner	Susie Drish, Chairman
County Auditor	Board of Supervisors