Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 9/16/2025
Effective Date: 9/16/2025
Reference No.: CR-098-2025
Chapter Number:
Draft No.: 2
Public Hearing Date:
Proposer(s): Blegay, Oriadha, Adams-Stafford, Watson and Dernoga
Sponsor(s): Blegay, Oriadha, Adams-Stafford, Watson, Dernoga and Hawkins
Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SUPPORT FOR THE QUALIFIED DATA CENTER TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS for the purpose of adopting a temporary pause on processing, review and approval of preliminary plans of subdivision which include qualified data centers among its proposed uses for a period of six months to allow the County sufficient time to consider and enact reasonable, thoughtful zoning and building requirements pertaining to data center developments to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

Drafter: Eric Irving, Fiscal and Legislative Specialist
Resource Personnel: Ayana Crawford, Chief of Staff

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
09/16/2025	County Council	amended	

Action Text:
A motion was made by Council Member Blegay, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Resolution be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Blegay, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 3 Fisher, Harrison and Ivey

09/16/2025	County Council	introduced	

Action Text:
This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Blegay, Oriadha, Adams-Stafford, Watson, Dernoga and Hawkins.

09/16/2025	County Council	rules suspended	

Action Text:
A motion was made by Council Member Blegay, seconded by Council Member Hawkins, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Blegay, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 3 Fisher, Harrison and Ivey

09/16/2025 County Council adopted

Action Text:
A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Blegay, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Blegay, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 3 Fisher, Harrison and Ivey

10/07/2025 County Executive signed

Action Text:
This Resolution was signed

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:
This resolution places a temporary pause on permits for the construction of data centers in Prince George's County as well as preliminary plans of subdivision which propose data centers in Prince George's County while the Council considers comprehensive legislation on the zoning, siting, and construction of new data centers. This temporary pause is established in response to the County's Qualified Data Center Task Force, which was formed to receive broad-based input on benefits and effects of constructing and operating data centers in the County and provide recommendations for comprehensive legislation. The Qualified Data Center Task Force is scheduled to submit its recommendations by November 30, 2025. In light of anticipated Code changes regarding the zoning and building of data centers, this resolution pauses the acceptance, review and approval of building and grading permits for proposed data centers as well as preliminary plans of subdivision which propose qualified data centers among its proposed uses for the earlier of 180 days or the effective date of subsequently enacted data center legislation.

Document(s): CR-098-2025 - signed, R2025098, CR-098-2025 OOL Comments, Executive Order No. 42-2025