

RESOLUTION NO. 082, SERIES 2025

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW
THE METRO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REGULATIONS WITH
REGARD TO DATA CENTERS.**

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBERS WINKLER, RUHE, AND PARRISH-WRIGHT

WHEREAS, the Legislative Council of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (the “Council”) has the authority under KRS 100.211(3) to direct the Planning Commission hold hearings on and make recommendations regarding proposed amendments to the Land Development Code (the “LDC”); and

WHEREAS, the LDC currently regulates “Telecommunications hotels” as a single use, without defining the term in the LDC or differentiating between a small telecommunications hotel or a massive telecommunications hotel; and

WHEREAS, data centers are currently treated as telecommunications hotels for purposes of the LDC; and

WHEREAS, Louisville Metro 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

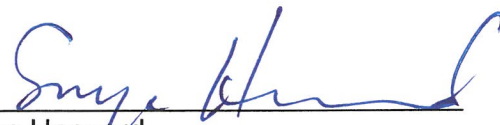
WHEREAS, the current zoning regulations may not adequately address the unique characteristics, demands and potential cumulative effects of data centers; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to have the Planning Commission consider amendments to the LDC regarding such data centers.

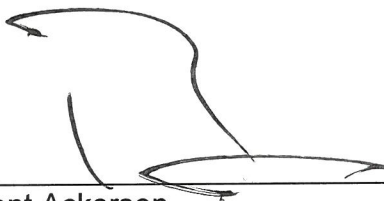
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF
THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION I: The Planning Commission should undertake a review of and consider amendments to the current LDC to address data centers, including a consideration of best practices and regulatory framework from comparable jurisdictions, and to consider the various impacts of data centers, to better define telecommunications hotels, and to consider whether different sized telecommunications hotels and/or data centers should be regulated differently. Such recommendations should be made within 120 days of receipt of this Resolution.

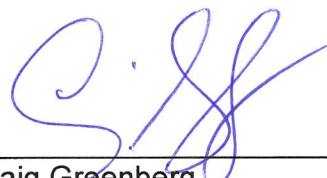
SECTION II: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval or otherwise becoming law.



Sonya Harward
Metro Council Clerk



Brent Ackerson
President of the Council



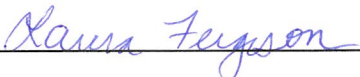
Craig Greenberg
Mayor

10-01-2025

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O'Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

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R-115-25 Amend LDC Re Data Centers

