

**Introduction & Referral Calendar #1**  
**MOTION**  
**By Osman**

Osman moves to amend Section 597.40 of the ordinance to read as follows:

**597.40. Definition and restrictions.** (a) For purposes of this chapter, the term “data center” shall mean a principal use, consisting of new or expanded space, where the primary function is to house computers and/or related equipment for the purpose of collection, processing, storage, or retrieval of data.

(b) ~~For a period of one (1) year from~~ From the date of introduction of this ordinance on May 21, 2026, through and including November 21, 2026, or upon completion of the study and adoption or amendment of the official controls affecting the subject matter of this interim ordinance, whichever occurs first, throughout the city of Minneapolis, no data center facility shall be established, re-established, or expanded. No zoning approval, building permit, construction permit, demolition permit, or administrative waiver for the establishment, re-establishment, or expansion of any data center facility shall be allowed or granted by any city department.

(c) The restriction imposed by this section shall not apply to data centers consisting of less than three-hundred fifty thousand (350,000) square feet of new or expanded space located in the downtown area bounded by Interstate 35W, Interstate 94, Plymouth Avenue, and the Mississippi River.

Consistent with section 525.830, these restrictions shall apply only to the issuance of permits for development for which an application has not been filed prior to the effective date of this interim ordinance.