

RESOLUTION NO. 32-11
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER Douglas Cline ON THE 15th
DAY OF August, 2011.

A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A MORATORIUM FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS (180 DAYS) ON THE GRANTING OF ANY PERMIT FOR AN ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SYSTEM, INCLUDING A SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM, WITHIN THE CITY OF CENTERVILLE.

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville desires to update its regulations in the Unified Development Ordinance regarding the placement and use of solar panels, solar farms, solar arrays and other alternative energy systems within the City since the current City guidelines do not adequately direct the permitting of this technology; and

WHEREAS, staff and the City's Environmental Committee are currently working on a draft of an ordinance to deal with said regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Planner recommends reviewing and revising the current regulations to further the City's goal of providing adequate regulation, and

WHEREAS, a moratorium on the granting of the permits which allow for the installation of solar energy panels, solar arrays, and solar farms within the City of Centerville will allow the City time to accomplish these goals.

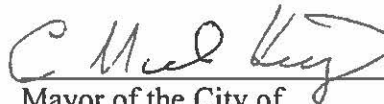
NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. Council recognizes the importance of encouraging the use of solar energy, while respecting the aesthetics and character of its neighborhoods, and seeks a moratorium on permits for installation of alternative energy systems including solar panels, solar arrays and solar farms for the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Centerville.

Section 2. The City Manager and City Planner hereby recommend imposing within the City a moratorium on the processing of applications for permits for the installation of systems that provide alternative power sources. The purpose of this recommendation is to allow time for the City to prepare new regulations, if necessary, which will guide the location, installation and maintenance of solar panels, solar farms, solar arrays and other alternative energy sources.


- Section 3. Council hereby accepts the recommendation of the City Manager and City Planner and hereby imposes a moratorium on permits for the installation of alternative energy systems for a period of six (6) months (180 days).
- Section 4. Council seeks to limit the duration of the moratorium and to instruct the Centerville Planning Commission to immediately investigate, review and recommend comprehensive regulations to govern alternative energy systems within the City of Centerville.
- Section 5. Council further finds that a moratorium for six (6) months (180 days) is reasonable and will allow the Centerville Planning Commission to propose and initiate action to address the issues outlined herein.
- Section 6. Council hereby directs and orders that no permit for the installation of an alternative energy system, including a solar energy system like solar panels, solar arrays or solar farms be accepted or allowed during the six month (180 days) period of this moratorium or until adequate regulations are adopted by the City, whichever occurs first.
- Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED THIS 15th day of August, 2011.



Mayor of the City of
Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council
City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 32-11, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 15th day of August, 2011.


Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency
with existing ordinances, the
charter & constitutional provisions
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