

Testimony on ZTA 26-01 Data Center Commercial Uses - Data Center

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Full visibility of the costs and benefits must be before allowing 5 hyperscale data centers to proceed in Montgomery County. Please put a moratorium until its done.

What is the impact of drawing 2 million gallons of water per day on the water quality and usage, particularly during droughts. Will I have to go buy bottled water because data centers need must be met or the water temperature is too high?

What will be the trigger points for taking action regarding health risks? How will we know>

What are the economic benefits for these projects? What tangible benefits will residents see? What are the property tax implications?

What is the ownership structure of these centers? Who will ultimately be accountable for the maintenance and long term viability of these centers?

Please enact a moratorium as soon as possible and set about a transparent process to understand and regulate data centers here.

Please include my comments in the hearing record. Thanks

Thank You,

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