



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Advisory Committee on Data Centers

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

12:00 PM Hybrid Meeting, at Room 351 City County Building, 210
Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony.

A. Call To Order

Other Present: Jaron McCallum, Ben Kollenbroich, Josh Schroeder

Janaïro introduced themselves giving their background, and their interest in serving on the committee.

Chair Miles called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Present: 12 - CYNTHIA RICHSON, DOUG YELK, BOB WIPPERFURTH, CINDI KELM-NELSON, CIARAN GALLAGHER, CAITLIN SHANAHAN, TERRY BRADSHAW, TONY ABATE, LAURA SCANDURRA, LISA JANAÏRO, DON POSTLER and PATRICK MILES

Excused: 1 - COREY SINGLETARY

B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2026 MIN-076](#) MINUTES OF THE MAY 12, 2026 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DATA CENTERS MEETING

Attachments: [2026 MIN-076.pdf](#)

A motion was made by POSTLER, seconded by RICHSON, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Actions Items

1. Potential Motion: Direct Staff to distribute Corp Counsel ethics training and track committee member compliance.

A motion was made by POSTLER to direct staff to distribute Corp Counsel ethics training and track committee member compliance, seconded by RICHSON, that the motion be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Reports to Committee

E. Presentations and Discussion

1. Presentation on Emergency Services

Assistant Chief Kraig Knapp presenting

Knapp gave introduction including his background including that his knowledge is largely based on research done for the proposed QTS project in Vienna/Deforest.

Knapp reviewed: Lithium-Ion batteries usage in data centers and fires related to them; challenges related to diesel generator; fire suppression within these facilities; Very early smoke detection apparatus (VESDA); Emergency signaling requires first contact after emergency event to be to emergency services (NFPA 72 National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code); challenges related to size of facility; resources, trainings, and/or equipment needed by communities to handle these challenges;

Discussion ensued with committee members asking questions of the speaker.

[2026
PRES-041](#)

DATA CENTER IMPACT ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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2. Emergency Services Article Synopses

Staff reviewed emergency services article links with the committee.

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PRES-042](#)

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PRES-065](#)

JUNE ACDC MEETING PRESENTATION

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F. Status on Prior Follow-up Items and Requests

1. Moratorium Discussion, Timeline, and Upcoming Meetings

Chair Miles reviewed the recently adopted data center moratorium with the committee.

Discussion about the moratorium ensued.

[2026
RES-039](#)

IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS FOR
ISSUANCE OF ZONING PERMITS FOR THE SITING OR PLACEMENT OF
DATA CENTERS IN DANE COUNTY

Sponsors: MILES, FURMAN, MARREN, DOOLAN, POSTLER, CHAWLA, WEGLEITNER,
TRUCIOS, BRANDMEIER, VELDRAN, RYLANDER, DOWNING, BROWER, LEWIS,
ENGELBERGER, OBIEZE, HUELSEMAN and RITT

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[2026 RES-039 Sub 1](#)
[SUB 1 to 2026 RES-039 SIGNED COPY](#)

G. New Follow-up Items, Requests, and Staff Direction

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next Dane County Advisory Committee on Data Centers will take place on
July 14th, 2026 at 12 PM in a hybrid format.

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by POSTLER, seconded by KELM-NELSON, that the meeting
be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:48 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Josh Schroeder, pending committee approval