

GUN PLAIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-9

**RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON FUTURE
BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS ("BESS")**

July 9, 2026

WHEREAS, the approval of ("BESS") may result in or produce negative impacts on permitted land uses and development and may harm the public health, safety and general welfare of property owners and residents of the Charter Township of Gun Plain.

WHEREAS, The Township Board is aware of significant public health, safety, and welfare concerns being raised by the public about the impacts of ("BESS").

WHEREAS, The Township has a legitimate public purpose in assessing the regulation of the establishment and use of ("BESS") within the Township to ensure that ("BESS") do not interfere with other land uses, or have substantial negative impacts on the environment, public health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, as authorized by Ordinance No. 193, the Township Board finds that imposing a temporary moratorium is reasonable and necessary for, among other reasons, the following reasons:

- A. Michigan courts have recognized that a moratorium is a common and legitimate tool to preserve the status quo while formulating a development strategy.
 - B. The Township Board desires to review and study the public health, safety, and welfare concerns regarding ("BESS") and any Township regulations that may impact and/or regulate such projects.
 - C. Imposing a temporary moratorium will allow the Township Board adequate time to study and possibly implement revisions to the Township's Ordinances and regulations, including attention to and consideration of citizen input and involvement, public debate, and full consideration of all issues and points of view.
1. The Township Board accordingly determines that it is desirable and in the public interest for the reasons set forth above that the Township Board to impose a temporary moratorium on future applications for ("BESS").

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Township Board imposes a temporary moratorium on future applications for a ("BESS"). The temporary moratorium is in effect until December 21, 2026, or until the effective date of any amended or new Township Ordinances or regulations addressing ("BESS") are effective, whichever date occurs first.

Before this moratorium expires, the Township Board may extend the temporary moratorium by resolution as appropriate to allow sufficient time to complete amendments or additions to its Ordinances and regulations.

A motion was made by Pearson, seconded by M. Meert, to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Upon roll call vote the following voted "aye": M. Meert, C. VanDenBerg, K. Meert, Horton, Pearson, Albertson, M. VanDenBerg

The following voted "nay"; None

The following were absent: None

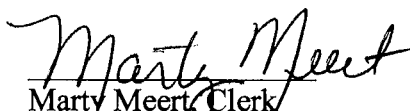
The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

Gun Plain Charter Township

Marty Meert, Township Clerk
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CERTIFICATE

I, THE UNDERSIGNED Marty Meert, the duly qualified and elected Clerk for the Charter Township of Gun Plain, Allegan County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular board meeting held on the 9th day of July 2026.


Marty Meert, Clerk
Gun Plain Charter Township

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Marty Meert 7/13/26
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