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CITY OF PATASKALA

RESOLUTION 2019-069

Passed _____

**A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE
ACCEPTANCE OF ANY NEW PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

WHEREAS, the City of Pataskala was created, established, organized, and is an existing municipal corporation under the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Ohio and the home rule charter of the City; and

WHEREAS, the character of development in the City of Pataskala can have a positive or negative impact upon the health, peace, safety, and general well-being of the residents and visitors of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City's comprehensive plan was last updated by students with the Ohio State's City and Regional Planning program in 2006. Since 2006, the City has faced tremendous growth. Over the past sixteen months, the City of Pataskala's (community-led) Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee has been working hard to put together recommend changes to the Comprehensive Plan. This updated plan will serve as a 10 to 20-year guide for how and where the City should grow; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pataskala also has begun to study, and may enact, impact fees for new residential developments; and

WHEREAS, some recently submitted preliminary development plans do not appear to be completely consistent with the goals and vision of the City, its Council, and its Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, such as a desire to: pursue more aggressive measures to ensure the needs of the community are met; preserve the unique community character; achieve sustainable and orderly growth practices; limit the burden on public infrastructure/utilities and the ongoing public operating costs; allow orderly provisions of municipal services; and reduce short- and long-term job generation impacts such as density and traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee is examining the City comprehensively, including current demographics, land use, economic development, and transportation, among other elements. A fiscal analysis also is being performed to help gain insight on the cost and impact of different types of development on the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pataskala and its Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee need six (6) months in which to: finalize the Comprehensive Plan; review all existing land use codes and regulations as they relate to residential zoning, making necessary changes, if any; and examine and implement, if necessary, impact fees. This is needed to ensure that all resident land use development proceeds in a manner that is consistent with the short- and long-term sustainability goals of the City of Pataskala; and

WHEREAS, Council for the City of Pataskala believes that a six-month moratorium will enable a reasoned discussion and consideration of needed amendments to the Zoning Code, the necessity of impact fees, as well as adoption of the updated Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATASKALA, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS PRESENT CONCURRING THAT:

Section 1: There is hereby imposed a six (6) month moratorium on the acceptance of any new preliminary development plans.

Section 2: The following shall be exempt from this temporary moratorium:

- a. All preliminary development plans submitted to the City of Pataskala prior to the effective date of this Resolution and deemed to be complete by the City of Pataskala Director of Planning

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council and that all deliberations of the Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the City of Pataskala which resulted in such formal actions were in

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk

Michael W. Compton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian M. Zets, Law Director