

**RESOLUTION NO. R26- 4179**

**A MORATORIUM ON ISSUING CERTAIN SIGN PERMITS**

***On-premise digital, and all types of off-premise signage (including billboards / banners)***

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Chapter 414 grants cities the ability to adopt zoning ordinances to regulate land use within its jurisdictional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, it is necessary and prudent to review and study ordinances for updates to ensure proper regulation; and

WHEREAS, the Sheldon City Council recognizes that off-premise signs, including billboards, may affect the character of the surrounding area and the council desires all sign permit applications for off-premise signs / billboards, off-premise banners and all on- and off-premise digital signs be considered consistently within the purpose and intent of an amended Sheldon Zoning Ordinance, specifically Article 20 - Sign Regulations; so that the most appropriate uses of signs are encouraged within Sheldon; and

WHEREAS, the Sheldon City Council desires to amend the current zoning ordinance as it pertains to sign regulations and has not yet created such new zoning regulations governing sign types, sign installations, and signs approved per zoning districts. The City Council shall refer such request for zoning update of Article 20 - Sign Regulations to the City's Planning & Zoning Commission for creating the amendment and making a recommendation to the council for consideration;

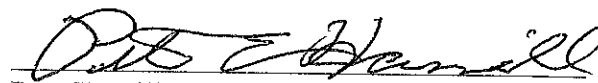
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council establishes a temporary moratorium on issuing sign permits for all on-premise digital signs and off-premise signs (static or digital), including billboards and banners, within the City's territorial and extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction. Such moratorium shall run through 11:59 p.m. Central Time on December 31, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and resulting moratorium continuation does not affect any currently filed permit applications under review; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sheldon City Council reserves the right to end the moratorium prior to the approved term of the moratorium upon completion of the amendments to the Sheldon Zoning Ordinance and / or upon satisfactory resolution of the issues as determined by the City Council; and

The on-premise digital sign moratorium and off-premise sign (static or digital) and billboard / off-premise banners moratorium is hereby approved by this Resolution and shall be effective immediately upon adoption of this Resolution. On-premise sign permits affected by the moratorium may be considered by the City Council during the moratorium, unless a variance is required.

Adopted this 18th day of March, 2026.

  
Pete Hamill, Mayor pro tem, City of Sheldon

Attest:

  
Angela Beckman, Sheldon City Clerk