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To the Members of the City Council, City Planning Commission,

RE: Opposition to the Proposed "Data Research Center" Project

I am writing to you today as a concerned resident to formally register my opposition to the proposed "Data Research Center." To be clear, **I strongly support economic development in our community when it is done correctly and with the constituents' best interests in mind.** However, while this specific project is framed as a research facility, it bears all the operational hallmarks of a massive industrial data center. As currently proposed, it completely fails to meet the basic standards of community accountability, environmental responsibility, and fiscal fairness.

A project of this magnitude should not be approved until it satisfies the following critical requirements:

- **Full Disclosure of Ownership and Client Identity:** We cannot hand over our local resources to a ghost entity. The true ownership of this data center must be made public, along with a clear disclosure of the clients and corporations that will be utilizing the data processed here. Our community deserves to know exactly who we are doing business with.
- **Transparency in Resource Consumption:** There must be mandatory, regular public reporting on the facility's total energy consumption, water usage, and wastewater discharge. The community has a right to know how our local resources are being utilized.
- **Fiscal Fairness and Infrastructure Costs:** The developer must provide definitive proof that the project will fully cover its own infrastructure costs—including grid upgrades, road wear, and water line expansions—so that local taxpayers are not left footing the bill.
- **Real, Enforceable Clean Energy Standards:** Any claims of "green" or "sustainable" operations must be backed by clean energy requirements that are real, additional (bringing new renewable energy to the grid rather than pulling from existing sources), and legally enforceable.
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Generator Pollution Limits and Reporting: Data facilities rely heavily on massive backup generators. We require strict limits and transparent reporting on the air and noise pollution generated by these units during both testing and outages.

- **Strong, Binding Community Benefits:** A project of this scale must offer tangible, legally binding benefits to our community, such as local hiring guarantees, livable wages, and investments in local public infrastructure or education.
- **Clear Consequences for Broken Promises:** If the operators fail to meet their environmental, financial, or community obligations, there must be swift, predetermined legal and financial consequences, including the potential revocation of their operating permits.

Most importantly, **no approval should be granted until local residents have clear, accessible, and comprehensive information** about the full scope and long-term impacts of this project.

Our community deserves growth that is responsible, transparent, and mutually beneficial. The current proposal falls dangerously short of that standard. I urge you to vote against or delay approval, or consider a moratorium on this "Data Research Center" until all of these requirements are fully met.

Thank you for your time, leadership, and dedication to protecting our community.

Sincerely,

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