

TOWNSHIP OF PUTNAM

ORDINANCE NO. 58

**AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM
ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ANY REZONING APPLICATIONS**

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP ORDAINS:

Section 1. Findings.

In accordance with Public Act 246 of 1945, MCL 41.181 *et seq.*, as amended, Putnam Township has determined the following:

1. On October 13, 2010, the Putnam Township Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") determined to review and update the Putnam Township Master Plan ("Master Plan") in accordance with the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, Public Act 33 of 2008, MCL 125.3801 *et seq.*, as amended.
2. The Planning Commission decided, among other things, to review and consider updates to the Master Plan concerning potential land uses related to wind energy; current and future manufactured housing park locations within the Township; business and industrial areas and expansion of such uses along main thoroughfares in the Township; and the potential need for multi-use zoning within the Township.
3. Since October 13, 2010, the Planning Commission has diligently pursued a review and possible updates to the Master Plan by engaging the Township's planner and holding many work sessions regarding possible updates.
4. On April 13, 2011, the Planning Commission recommended distribution of the proposed amendments to the Master Plan to the Putnam Township Board of Trustees ("Board") and set a public hearing regarding the proposed amendments, as required by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act for August 10, 2011.
5. On June 15, 2011, the Board accepted the recommendation of the Planning Commission and voted to distribute the proposed amendments to the Master Plan as required by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
6. Since the Planning Commission determined to review and update the Master Plan, the Township has received a number of applications for rezoning property within the Township.
7. It would be counterproductive for the Township to consider rezoning applications in the midst of a review and possible updates to the Master Plan.

8. Imposing a moratorium upon the consideration of any rezoning applications, on a limited temporary basis, is reasonable and necessary in order to allow time for review of and potential updates to the Master Plan.
9. A moratorium should be imposed upon the consideration of any rezoning applications for 180 days or until an amendment to the Master Plan is adopted, whichever occurs first.

Section 2: Moratorium. A moratorium is hereby imposed upon the consideration of any applications for rezoning of any property located within the Township while this Ordinance is in effect.

Section 3: Term of Ordinance. The moratorium imposed by this Ordinance shall remain in effect for 180 days following the effective date of this Ordinance, or until amendments to the Master Plan become effective, whichever occurs first.

Section 4: Validity and Severability. Should any portion of this Ordinance be found invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 5: Repealer Clause. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 6: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON

I, SALLY D. GUYON, Clerk of the Township of Putnam, a Michigan Township, do hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the Putnam Township Board held at the Putnam Township Hall, 3280 W. M-36, Pinckney, Michigan, 48169, in said Township at 7 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on the 20th day of July, 2011, that the above Ordinance was adopted and that the following Members were present:

Rau, Guyon, Carney, Press, Klein, Chambers and McCloskey

That upon a motion made by Guyon and seconded by Carney, said Ordinance was adopted on the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Rau, Guyon, Carney, Press, Klein, Chambers and McCloskey
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

I further certify that on the 5th day of August, 2011, I caused a synopsis to be published in the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus, a newspaper circulated in the Township of Putnam, and that the Ordinance and the record of publication was duly recorded in the Book of Ordinances of the Township of Putnam. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon publication and a true copy was available for public use and inspection at the offices of the Putnam Township Clerk, 3280 W. M-36, Pinckney, Michigan during regular business hours.

Sally D. Guyon, CMC
Putnam Township Clerk