TOWN OF ANSON CHIPPEWA COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

TEMPROARY MORATORIUM ON MAJOR LAND DIVISIONS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, The Town of Anson is in the process of preparing a significant amendment and update to its current Comprehensive Plan that was originally adopted October 29th, 2009, and plans to address current traffic safety concerns along main transportation routes within the Town that may be exacerbated by anticipated land development activity as part of the revision to the Comprehensive Plan; and.

WHEREAS, The Anson Town Board adopted a Land Division Ordinance on November 10th, 2022; and.

WHEREAS, Major Land Divisions in the Town of Anson Land Division Ordinance 2022-02 are defined as either a County Plat or State Plat. A County Plat is any land division that creates at least five (5) or more Lots, Parcels, Tracts, or Remnants of land, which are less than an equal half division of a quarter-quarter section within a five (5) year period. A County Plat cannot contain more than four (4) Lots, Parcels, Tracts or Remnants less than one-and one-half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) acres each in size. A State Plat includes any division of land that creates five (5) or more Lots, Parcels, Tracts or Remnants, which are one-and-one-half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) acres each or less within a five-year period; and,

WHEREAS, The Town finds that imposing a temporary moratorium on major land development activity within the Town for subdivisions falling under the Major Land Divisions category (as defined by Anson Land Division Ordinance 2022-02) and/or Requests for Rezoning during the remainder of the Comprehensive Plan update and approval process is in the public interest and is needed to address a significant threat to the public safety that is presented by anticipated land development activity within the Town; and,

WHEREAS, The Town has authority to adopt this temporary moratorium ordinance pursuant to the authority granted in sec. 66.1002, Wis. Stats.; and,

WHEREAS, The Town has obtained a written report from a registered engineer stating that in his opinion the anticipated land development activity within the Town for subdivisions falling under the Major Land Divisions category (as defined by Anson Land Division Ordinance 2022-02) and/or Requests for Rezoning presents such a significant threat to the public safety that the need for a moratorium is justified; and,

NOW, THEREFORE THE TOWN OF ANSON TOWN BOARD does hereby ordain as follows: A temporary moratorium ordinance is hereby adopted for subdivisions falling under the Major Land Divisions category (as defined by Anson Land Division Ordinance 2022-02) and/or Requests for Rezoning to address a significant threat to the public safety that is presented by anticipated land development activity within the Town. Exemptions to this ordinance may be allowed only if approved by the Anson Town Board. This ordinance will take effect upon passage and publication as provided in Wisconsin Statutes and will remain in effect for a period of 12 months unless such period is extended or shortened by the Anson Town Board to coincide with the remainder of the Comprehensive Plan update and approval process. If any portion of this ordinance is determined to be unlawful or invalid, the remaining portion shall stand.

VOTED: For: 3 Opposed: \emptyset Absent: \emptyset

Scott Schemenauer, Supervisor

Stacy Steinke, Supervisor

SIGNED and DATED this 17th day of July, 2024

Affidavit of Posting - I hereby certify that the forgoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Anson Town Board, Chippewa County, Wisconsin, at a legal meeting on the 17th day of July, 2024, and was posted at the Anson Town Hall and also on the Town's website www.thetownofanson.com on the 17th day of July, 2024.

Tennifer Jensen, Clerk