

**CITY OF GREENFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-02**

**AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD, MINNESOTA
PROHIBITING THE APPROVAL OF LAND USE APPLICATIONS OR SITE PLANS
RELATED TO NONMETALLIC MINING OPERATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1)
YEAR PENDING STUDY OF POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT
LEGISLATION PERTAINING TO THE SAME**

The City Council of Greenfield does ordain:

Section 1: Recitals.

1. The City Council intends to conduct a study to evaluate future potential nonmetallic mining resources within the city and surrounding land use patterns with the purposes of evaluating possible policy modifications and additional or replacement ordinance(s) related to nonmetallic mining within the City.
2. A moratorium on nonmetallic mining within Greenfield city limits is needed to allow time to develop and finalize appropriate standards to ensure compatibility with other controls and to appropriately address nonmetallic mining and associated policy and regulatory structures without the pressure of an active mining application.

Section 2: Purpose and Intent.

The City desires to conduct, and hereby authorizes, an in-depth study of the following:

1. Evaluate existing land use and lot patterns within the city to better understand the geographical context of the potential supply of aggregate resources in the city that might be subject to future mining requests;
2. Review the comprehensive plan and better align the land use policy plan with available natural resources; and
3. Evaluate and consider updates and modifications to official regulations, including Chapter 113 Mining Regulations, Chapter 152 Zoning of the City Code, and the zoning map.

Minnesota Statutes, Section 462.355 Subdivision 4 allows the City to adopt an interim ordinance to protect the City's planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the community. The City Council finds that it is necessary to adopt an interim ordinance to allow sufficient time for this study to be conducted to determine whether there is a need to amend the City's official controls.

Section 3: Temporary Prohibition.

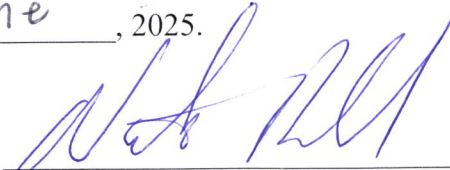
Pending the completion of the studies referred to above, and/or the corresponding repeal or expiration of this ordinance the City shall not accept, process, or approve any application, site

plan, or any other land use applications which includes any component related to nonmetallic mining unless such application has received preliminary approval from the City.

Section 4: Effective Date.

This Ordinance becomes effective from and after the date of its passage, and shall remain in effect until the earlier of either: 1) June 17, 2026; or 2) the date of acceptance of the above-named land use study by the City Council and the Council's corresponding repeal of this ordinance.

Adopted by the City Council this 17 day of JUNE, 2025.



Mayor Nick Roehl

Bianca Sanchez

Attest: Bianca Sanchez, Acting City Administrator