

RESOLUTION

MOVED by Mauro SECONDED by Brownell

that the following Resolution be adopted

WHEREAS, the U.S. Supreme Court has determined that it is legal for local governments to use the authority of eminent domain to condemn property for commercial development, and;

WHEREAS, the Polk County Board of Supervisors maintains that agricultural farmland is one of our greatest natural resources and assets enabling us to feed the world, and;

WHEREAS, population densities in Iowa do not necessitate aggressive development of agricultural farmland, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has previously adopted a policy that discourages urban sprawl and encourages planned, controlled, urban development on the margins of municipal boundaries, and;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Supervisors to confirm its prohibition on the use of eminent domain, for the purpose of residential and commercial development within Polk County, and,

WHEREAS, the attached amended policy clearly enumerates the policy of eminent domain.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors approves the attached amended version of the Polk County Economic Development Policy.

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tom Hockensmith
Chairperson

SUBMITTED BY:

Michael J. Freilinger
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Chief of Staff

Fiscal Impact: None.

ROLL CALL FOR ALLOWANCE	
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E.J. Giovannetti	Yes / Nay
Robert Brownell	Yes / Nay
John F. Mauro	Yes / Nay
Angela Connolly	Yes / Nay
Tom Hockensmith	Yes / Nay
Yea <u>5</u>	Nay <u>0</u>

Tom Hockensmith
CHAIRPERSON

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