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The City of Niles Announces Decision on Proposed Data Center Annexation

The City of Niles announces that it will take no further action regarding a proposed annexation request submitted by the developer, Whitetail Creek LLC (Bitdeer) seeking to bring property from Weathersfield Township into the City of Niles for the development of a data center. Further, Whitetail Creek LLC (Bitdeer) has not submitted to the City of Niles a formal petition to annex, zoning and building permit plans, or a utility use application. The City of Niles will continue with a moratorium, pausing any future data center permitting while specific data center zoning is explored.

This decision follows careful consideration and reflects the concerns and feedback expressed by residents of Niles as well as neighboring communities. City officials have engaged in discussions and reviewed input from the public, ultimately determining that moving forward with the annexation request is not in the best interest of the community at this time. The City of Niles remains committed to responsible growth and development while prioritizing the voices, safety, and quality of life of its residents.

Because the vast majority of property owned by Whitetail Creek LLC (Bitdeer) will remain in the township, concerns over zoning and land use within township limits should be directed to Weathersfield officials. For further information, please contact the Mayor's Office at 330-544-9000 ext. 1101.