

100.37 DIGITAL CURRENCIES & DATA PROCESSING EXHCHANGES. The intent of the regulations of this Section is to balance the need for the digital currency needs with the need to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Monona County, and to avoid unintended impacts on resources and adjacent uses. No operation may be developed without site plan review and verification by the planning and zoning department that all requirements within this ordinance have been met.

A. All structures use for the exchanges shall meet the following standards:

1. The use of cargo containers is permissible; the container needs to be in good condition. The use of railroad cars and semi-truck trailers are prohibited.
2. Exchanges will be allowed with a Special Use permit with restrictions in the Agricultural District (A-1), Rural Residential District (R-1), Light Industrial District (M-1) and Heavy Industrial District (M-2).
3. The required setbacks are listed in Section 100.17 Bulk Regulations and will be followed for each district.

B. The noise generated from the exchange, components and equipment shall not exceed a daytime continuous sound level of sixty decibels (60 dBA) or a nighttime continuous sound level of fifty decibels (50 dBA) from any occupied residential or commercial building.

C. All plans for these exchanges will include, but are not limited to these:

1. Monona County Special Use Permit with Restrictions Application.
2. A letter from the local power provider that the applicant has verified they utility supply and they can safely accommodate the proposed use during the power provider's peak consumption hours.
3. A report from a professional engineer with the noise results will be provided to the county prior to the issuance of the permit. The costs associated with this report will be the responsibility of the applicant. All servers, computers, processers, materials, and equipment must be enclosed within the structure.
4. Each exchange structure shall have 24-hour emergency contact signage that contains the Company name, phone number and Power Company name that is visible at the access entrance. Monona County 911 addresses will be required for all sites.
5. An emergency response plan will be submitted with the permit application. There shall be an emergency termination switch install outside of any containment structure and appropriately signed so that responding public safety officials can quickly identify it. Structures shall have some type of fire detection/suppression system.
6. A decommission plan for the project will be submitted with the permit application.