

ORDINANCE NO.: 2025-08

**CITY OF BALDWIN
SHERBURNE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**AN INTERIM ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A
MORATORIUM ON SUBDIVISIONS**

THE BALDWIN CITY COUNCIL ORDAINS:

Section 1. Purpose and Intent. The intent of this ordinance is to allow the City of Baldwin time to consider updates to its Comprehensive Plan and official controls as provided for by Minnesota Statutes 462,355, Subd. 4.

Section 2. Background and Findings. The time needed to consider updates to the Comprehensive Plan and official controls is necessary for the following reasons:

- The Baldwin Township Comprehensive Plan was adopted on 4 August 2014.
- Baldwin Township adopted Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance regulations on 18 April 2022.
- Baldwin Township assumed responsibility for planning and zoning administration from Sherburne County on 20 June 2022.
- Under Minnesota Statutes Section 394.33, the Baldwin Township Comprehensive Plan and official controls were required to be consistent with and at least as restrictive as those of Sherburne County.
- Baldwin Township was incorporated as the City of Baldwin on 18 November 2024.
- Upon incorporation, the Comprehensive Plan and official controls adopted by the City of Baldwin are no longer required to be consistent with those of Sherburne County.
- The Planning Commission has initiated a comprehensive planning process to consider goals, policies, and plans addressing the following topics:
 - Natural environment
 - Land use
 - Transportation
 - Community Facilities
 - Implementation

Section 3. Moratorium: For the purpose of protecting the planning process pending completion of an updated Comprehensive Plan and amended official controls regulating development in the City of Baldwin, a moratorium is hereby adopted for subdivision of properties within the City subject to the following:

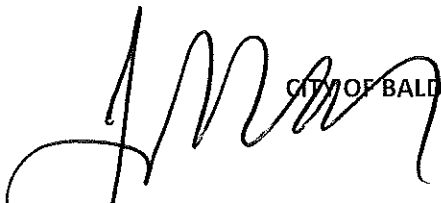
- A. The moratorium shall apply to the areas zoned R1, General Rural District depicted by Exhibit A and described as follows:
 - 1. Between 116th Street (CR 39) and 128th Street (CR 45) from the south City boundary to 317th Avenue (CSAH 2).
 - 2. West of 128th Street (CR 45) to the west City Boundary and north of 309th Avenue (CR 42) and CR 42 to the north City boundary.
- B. The following subdivision requests shall be exempt from the moratorium:
 - 1. Applications for final plat submitted in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Subdivision Ordinance for a preliminary plat approved prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.
 - 2. Applications for Simple Plat approval submitted in accordance with Chapter 4 of the Subdivision Ordinance.
 - 3. Applications for Administrative Subdivision submitted in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Subdivision Ordinance.
- C. The City of Baldwin will not accept applications for subdivision during the period of the moratorium other than for those requests specifically excepted herein.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and shall remain in effect until it is repealed or one (1) year from the date of adoption, whichever first occurs. The ordinance may also subsequently be amended to extend the effective date as provided for by Minnesota Statutes 462.355, Subd. 4.

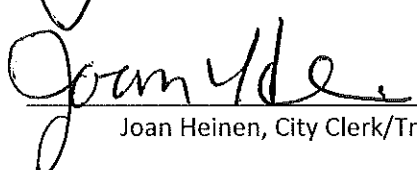
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ADOPTED by the Baldwin City Council this 7th day of April, 2025.

MOTION BY: Case
SECONDED BY: Walker
IN FAVOR: All
OPPOSED: None

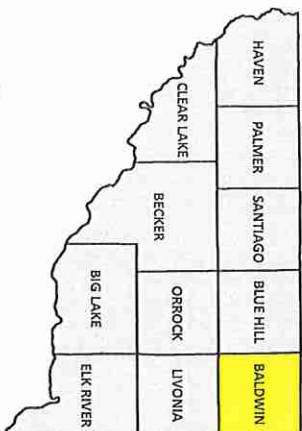

CITY OF BALDWIN

Jay Swanson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Joan Heinen, City Clerk/Treasurer

Baldwin Township Zoning Map



Township Boundary

City Limits

Zoning

R1, General Rural - 21,558ac (97.3%)

C1, General Commercial - 163ac (0.8%)

I1, General Industrial - 426ac (1.9%)

S, Shoreland - 7860ac (35.5%)

WS, Wild and Scenic - 1339ac (6%)

Roads

US Highway

County-State Aid Highway (CSAH)

County Road

Township Road

Private Road

City Street

TPC
The Planning Company

**Hakanson
Anderson**

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