

**Ordinance No. 2026-04:**

**TEMPORARY LAND USE REGULATION- MORATORIUM ON BUILDING PERMITS  
REQUIRING A NEW WATER CONNECTION**

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Hatch presently allows new city water connections with an approved building permit within the boundaries of the Town of Hatch; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hatch's culinary water usage is at or near capacity and additional connections might violate the Town's current water rights; and

**WHEREAS**, time is needed to study the options to acquire additional water rights and/or implement water conservation practices; and

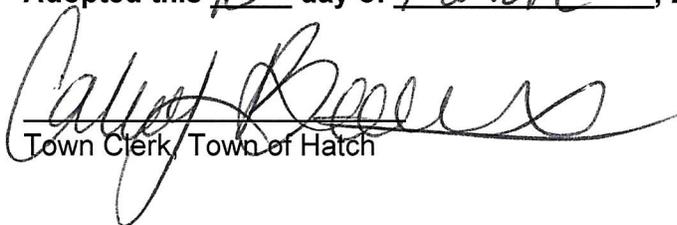
**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that there is a compelling, countervailing public interest in imposing a temporary land use ordinance in the form of a moratorium on any building permit requiring new water connections; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Utah (UCA 10-20-504) authorizes the enactment of temporary land use regulations for a period of up to 6 months, without prior consideration or recommendation from the Planning Commission.

**NOW THEREFORE**; be it ordained by the Council of the Town of Hatch; in the State of Utah, as follows:

- 1) Effective immediately upon enactment of this ordinance all building permit applications that require a new water connection to city water are placed on hold, postponed until further notice.
- 2) During the moratorium period, no new water connection applications or permits related to the aforementioned will be approved.
- 3) The temporary moratorium shall prohibit the approval of any land use applications within the municipality for the duration specified in this resolution.
- 4) The term of the moratorium shall be 6 months from the date of enactment of the ordinance by the Town of Hatch Council.
- 5) This ordinance shall become immediately upon adoption by the Town Council and posting of the ordinance in three public places within the Town.

Adopted this 18 day of March, 2026.

  
Town Clerk, Town of Hatch

