

- 1 (1) A statement of the problems or conditions necessitating the moratorium and
2 what courses of action, alternative to a moratorium, were considered by the
3 local government and why those alternative courses of action were not deemed
4 adequate.
- 5 (2) A statement of the development approvals subject to the moratorium and how
6 a moratorium on those approvals will address the problems or conditions
7 leading to imposition of the moratorium.
- 8 (3) A date for termination of the moratorium and a statement setting forth why
9 that duration is reasonably necessary to address the problems or conditions
10 leading to imposition of the moratorium.
- 11 (4) A statement of the actions, and the schedule for those actions, proposed to be
12 taken by the local government during the duration of the moratorium to
13 address the problems or conditions leading to imposition of the moratorium.
- 14 (e) Limit on Renewal or Extension. – No moratorium may be subsequently renewed or
15 extended for any additional period unless the local government has taken all reasonable and
16 feasible steps proposed to be taken in its ordinance establishing the moratorium to address the
17 problems or conditions leading to imposition of the moratorium and unless new facts and
18 conditions warrant an extension. Any Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an
19 ordinance renewing or extending a development moratorium must include, at the time of
20 adoption, the findings set forth in subdivisions (1) through (4) of subsection (d) of this section,
21 including what new facts or conditions warrant the extension. For development moratoria
22 renewals or extensions needed to address scheduled Department of Transportation projects, in
23 lieu of the statement required in subdivision (d)(4) of this section, the ordinance shall provide
24 current information on the status of the projects and any available time line for completion.
- 25 (f) Expedited Judicial Review. – Any person aggrieved by the imposition of a
26 moratorium on development approvals required by law may apply to the General Court of Justice
27 for an order enjoining the enforcement of the moratorium. Actions brought pursuant to this
28 section shall be scheduled for expedited hearing, and subsequent proceedings in those actions
29 shall be accorded priority by the trial and appellate courts. In such actions, the local government
30 has the burden of showing compliance with the procedural requirements of this subsection."
- 31 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to moratoria
32 renewal and extension ordinances adopted on or after that date.