ORDINANCE 81-56

To Add Section 15.64.430, Entitled "Parking Spaces Reserved for Handicapped Persons," to the Bloomington Municipal Code

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Section 15.64.430 be added to the Bloomington Municipal Code to read as follows:

15.64.430 Parking spaces reserved for Handicapped Persons. (a) A number of parking spaces on public streets shall be reserved for use by physically handicapped persons. A "physically handicapped person" is defined for purposes of this ordinance as a person who has been issued a special registration plate for a motor vehicle by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles under IC 9-7-4-1.1, which limits eligibility for the plate to one who has permanently lost the use of at least one arm or one leg, or is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of crutches or a wheelchair.

(b) Parking time limits, fees and other regulations in this title generally in effect for spaces in adjacent areas shall apply as well to those spaces for parking by handicapped persons.

(c) Signs posted to indicate the reserved spaces shall bear the official international wheelchair symbol and state that use of the space by an ineligible vehicle is a Class C infraction of the state criminal code punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars.

(d) The following spaces shall be reserved for handicapped persons:

1. Municipal parking lots--there shall be one space in each municipal lot as follows: Lot 1, meter #S-38; Lot 2, meter #12-A; Lot 3, meter #1, Lot 4, space on left side of entrance; Lot 5, meter #D-17; Lot 6, meter #M-1.

2. Municipal building--one space by ramp.

3. Utilities Service Center (1969 S. Henderson)--one space.

4. Bloomington Housing Authority (1007 N. Summit)--one space.

5. County Library--one space on east side of Lincoln adjacent to walkway at meter #121.

6. Older Americans Center (349 S. Walnut Street)--one space.

7. Court House--Meter #837 on Sixth Street, and Meter #378 on Walnut Street.

8. Welfare Department (125 W. Kirkwood)--south side of 100 block of W. Kirkwood, the first space West of the North-South alley running between Fourth and Kirkwood at meter #460.

9. Health Building (119 W. Seventh)--Meter #639 on Seventh Street.

10. Winslow Sports Complex--total of four spaces: two at the entrance to the junior baseball fields and two at the entrance to senior baseball fields.

11. Frank Southern Center--one space near the North side entrance.

12. Bryan Park--a total of five spaces in the following park parking lots: two near the entrance to the swimming pool, one in the vicinity of the tennis courts, one serving the horseshoe pitching area and one in the lot off Henderson near the creek.

13. Cascade Municipal Golf course--one space at the clubhouse.

14. Ralph R. Mills Pool--one space.

15. Miller-Showers Park--one space near the shelter house.

(e) Tickets issued for violations of this section shall be referred to the Monroe County Prosecutor for enforcement as a Class C infraction.

SECTION II. Severability. If any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other parts of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid part, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are declared to be severable.

SECTION III. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 3rd day of June, 1981.

Alfred I. Towell, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Nora M. Connors, City Clerk

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor upon this 4th day of June, 1981.

Nora M. Connors, City Clerk

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 4th day of June, 1981.

Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

IC 5-16-9-2 requires the City to reserve certain parking spaces for handicapped persons and provides that parking by ineligible vehicles is a Class C infraction of the state criminal code. This ordinance, submitted by the Traffic Commission, designates the handicapped parking spaces and the procedure for enforcing the restrictions.