

RESOLUTION 18-02

**TO ESTABLISH A LAND USE STANDING COMMITTEE
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Common Council ("Council") has an interest in the responsible evolution of the city's built environment; and

WHEREAS, predictability in the development process is desired by petitioners for land use proposals such as Planned Unit Developments ("PUDs"), zone map changes, and text changes to Title 20, while a greater say in their built environment is desired by residents and neighborhoods affected by such proposals; and

WHEREAS, one way that greater predictability can be fostered, and more opportunities created for concerned residents to be heard, is by creating a standing committee of Councilmembers devoted to matters of land use; and

WHEREAS, a standing committee is a forum superior to that of the committee of the whole as it will provide for an extended cycle of committee deliberation (per Bloomington Municipal Code ("BMC") 2.04.230(b) where warranted, an extended cycle not afforded to a committee of the whole per BMC 2.04.250), will allow a smaller number of legislators to specialize in, and triage issues that could consume a lot of meeting time in front of the full Council, and should lighten the workload for Councilmembers not serving on the Committee; and

WHEREAS, BMC 2.04.210 provides for the establishment of and governs standing committees "to facilitate the transaction of business," 2.04.220 governs meetings; 2.04.230 governs reporting requirements; and, 2.04.255 governs the scheduling of such committees;

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

SECTION 1. Establishment. The Common Council ("Council") hereby establishes the Land Use Committee ("Committee") as a standing committee of the Council.


SECTION 2. Composition. The Committee shall be composed of four members of the Council.

SECTION 3. Purpose. The purpose of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Council on matters certified to the Council by the Plan Commission, and to research and take input on other land use matters of community concern.


SECTION 4. Motion to Refer to Land Use Committee. Following the first reading of a land use matter that has been certified by the Plan Commission to the Council, the Council shall entertain a motion to refer the matter to the Land Use Committee pursuant to BMC 2.04.255.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, sentence or provision of this resolution, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this resolution are declared to be severable.

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 21st day of February, 2018.


DOROTHY GRANGER, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

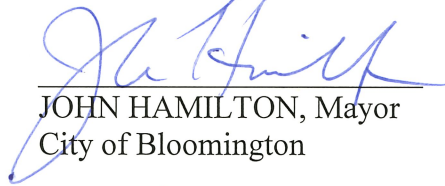

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 22nd day of February, 2018.



NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk
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SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 26th day of February, 2018.



JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution is authored by Councilmember Volan and proposes a Council standing committee on land use.

Note: This resolution was amended on February 21, 2018 by Am 02, which eliminated the requirement that the Council's representative to the Plan Commission serve on the Committee.