## ORDINANCE 20-31

# TO AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL,"

## (Inserting Chapter 2.35 Establishing the Department of Engineering and amending Chapter 2.14 titled Planning and Transportation Department)

- WHEREAS, the Mayor wishes to create a new executive department, known as the Engineering Department, in accordance with Indiana Code 36-4-9-4, in order to more efficiently serve the City's needs; and
- WHEREAS, until 2014, engineering staff was embedded in the Engineering Division within the Public Works Department; and
- WHEREAS, in 2014, via Ordinance 14-10, the City established a new executive department, the Planning and Transportation Department, which eliminated the Engineering Division from the Public Works Department and placed the Engineering Division in the new Planning and Transportation Department; and
- WHEREAS, in 2018, an organizational assessment was performed by Novak Consulting to evaluate the Planning and Transportation Department, including the placement of the engineering staff within that department; and
- WHEREAS, the Novak Organizational Assessment recommended the creation of an independent Engineering Department led by the City Engineer which would provide greater flexibility in balancing the needs of planning and public works staff and would also promote coordination with other City departments;

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

SECTION 1. Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code entitled "Administration and Personnel" shall be amended by inserting Chapter 2.35 entitled, "Department of Engineering". The title of this Chapter shall appear in the table of contents for Title 2 and the Chapter shall read as follows:

Chapter 2.35 Department of Engineering Sections: 2.35.000 Establishment 2.35.010 Appointment of director

#### 2.35.000 Establishment.

There is hereby created the Department of Engineering. It shall provide staff support to City boards and commissions as directed by the Mayor.

## 2.35.010 Appointment of director.

The engineering department shall be administered by a director of engineering who shall be appointed by the mayor and shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor. The director of engineering serves as the city's civil engineer for purposes of Indiana Code § 36-4-9-6 and serves as the city's traffic engineer for purposes of Indiana Code § 36-9-7-3. The director of engineering shall possess the qualifications and shall have the authority and responsibility set forth in Indiana Code 36-9-7.

SECTION 2. Section 2.14.020 of the Bloomington Municipal Code entitled "Planning and Transportation Department" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

## 2.14.020 – Divisions.

The planning and transportation department shall be comprised of three divisions: planning and transportation administration; planning services; and development services. The planning services and development services divisions operate under the city's plan commission.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance, 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 ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, and approval of the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indian, upon this 18th day of NovEMBEL, 2020.

STEPHEN VOLAN, 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 20<sup>CL</sup> day of <u>lovenber</u>, 2020.

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this

25th day of Nover 2020.

JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor

City of Bloomington

### **SYNOPSIS**

This ordinance creates the Department of Engineering and eliminates the transportation and traffic engineering services division from the Planning and Transportation Department.

Distributed to: Clerk, Council Attorney, Human Resources, Legal, Mayor, Planning and Transportation, and Public Works