RESOLUTION 20-19

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TERM OF ORDINANCE 20-11 AND CALLING FOR THE CONTINUATION OF OTHER TEMPORARY REGULATIONS

- WHEREAS, on June 17, 2020, the Common Council passed <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>, which took the proactive step of suspending certain portions of the Bloomington Municipal Code during the ongoing public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 virus; and
- WHEREAS, on September 23, 2020, in <u>Resolution 20-15</u>, the Common Council extended the measures in <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>; and
- WHEREAS, the measures included in <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> are now set to expire on December 31, 2020; and
- WHEREAS, the public health emergency and the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as their impact on Bloomington's local economy, continue; and
- WHEREAS, in <u>Resolution 20-15</u>, the Common Council reserved the right to "further extend" <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> by passing "another similar resolution altering the term of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>"; and
- WHEREAS, Ordinance 20-11, by its own terms, stated that if the declared disaster emergency for COVID-19 continued beyond the stated deadline "the City Council, at its discretion, may take up a resolution to request that [the suspended] formalities be waived for a longer period of time"; and
- WHEREAS, the Plan Commission has already taken the proactive step of extending its waiver of certain sign application fees through August 6, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, the Common Council therefore wishes to extend the term of the proactive measures it put into place through <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> to assist the Bloomington business community's recovery; and
- WHEREAS, by virtue of a 180-day order effective August 10, 2020, the City has implemented temporary regulations to allow for parking pick up/drop off (PUDO) zones in an effort to increase accessibility for both customers and small, locally-owned businesses during the public health emergency; and
- WHEREAS, that 180-day order is set to expire February 6, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to express its support for the continued use of PUDO zones in order to continue assisting with economic recovery during the public health emergency;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY INDIANA, THAT:
- SECTION 1. The Common Council hereby extends the recommended suspension of certain portions of the Bloomington Municipal Code described in <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> through August 6, 2021.
- SECTION 2. The Common Council reserves the right to, at its discretion, further extend or, in the alternative, earlier terminate the term of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> so that the provisions of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> conclude on a date other than August 6, 2021. If the Common Council desires to modify the term of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>, it shall pass another similar resolution altering the term of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>.
- SECTION 3. The Common Council hereby states that it supports the issuance of a subsequent 180-day order by the transportation and traffic engineer after the expiration of the current 180-day order to allow for the continued use of PUDO Zones.

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this ______ day of ______, 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 2^{187} day of <u>centry</u>, 2020.

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 21^{51} day of December , 2020.

JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution extends the term of <u>Ordinance 20-11</u>, which is set to expire under the terms of <u>Resolution 20-15</u> on December 31, 2020, to August 6, 2021. <u>Ordinance 20-11</u> waived certain formalities contained in the Bloomington Municipal Code related to signs and seating encroachments. The temporary suspension of these formalities has assisted the local business community as it copes with and recovers from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This resolution also expresses support for the transportation and traffic engineer to issue an additional 180-day order to allow for the continued use of pick up/drop off zones.

Distributed to Clerk, Controller, Council Attorney, Legal, and Mayor.