RESOLUTION 18-01

TO ADOPT THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-4-501, the Plan Commission is responsible for preparing comprehensive plans and amendments thereto and forwarding them to the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2002, with the passage of Resolution 02-19, the Common Council adopted the City's current comprehensive plan, which is known as the Growth Policies Plan (Plan); and

WHEREAS, almost 10 years later, the City Planning Department and Plan Commission were directed to evaluate and update this Plan, starting in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission completed this process, conducted public hearings, and developed a new Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2017, the Plan Commission approved the proposed new Comprehensive Plan which, on July 5, 2017, was certified to the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, at the Regular Session on August 9, 2017, the Common Council introduced Resolution 17-28, which proposed adoption of the new Comprehensive Plan, and then met over a series of seven meetings in one long Special Session held from the month of August and into December, where it undertook the review of, and consideration of two rounds of amendments to, the proposed new Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, at the Regular Session on December 20, 2017, the Council voted to extend the deliberations into January 2018; and

WHEREAS, that extension entailed the introduction of an amended and renumbered resolution (Resolution 18-01), affirmation and ratification of past actions in regard to the new Comprehensive Plan, conclusion of consideration of second-round amendments, and consideration of additional amendments before consideration of the Comprehensive Plan in its entirety and as amended by the Council; and

WHEREAS, in light of Common Council amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, upon adoption by the Common Council, the Plan must be returned to the Plan Commission with a written statement of reasons for the amendments and an opportunity for it to review and respond in accordance with IC 36-7-4-510;

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

SECTION 1. The Council hereby affirms and ratifies actions it has taken in regard to its deliberations of the proposed new Comprehensive Plan in 2017. Those actions include but are not limited to the disposition of amendments along with the conduct of its deliberations.

SECTION 2. The City's Comprehensive Plan, as certified by the Plan Commission, shall be adopted as amended by the Common Council.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence or provision of this legislation, 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 legislation which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this legislation are declared to be severable.
PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 17th day of January, 2018.

DOROTHY ORANGER, 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 20th day of March, 2018.

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED by me upon this 21st day of March, 2018.

JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution amends and adopts the City’s new Comprehensive Plan, which was certified to the Common Council in July 2017. This proposed City of Bloomington Comprehensive Plan replaces the existing Comprehensive Plan, which is known as the Growth Policies Plan. The Comprehensive Plan sets forth a vision for the future growth and development of Bloomington. It includes information and policies regarding Community Services & Economics, Culture & Identity, Environment, Downtown, Housing & Neighborhoods, Transportation, and Land Use. In light of Common Council amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, upon adoption by the Common Council, the Plan must be returned to the Plan Commission with a written statement of reasons for the amendments and an opportunity for it to review and respond in accordance with IC 36-7-4-510.

Distributed to: Mayor, Council, Clerk, Controller, Legal, Planning