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Subject: Bloomington Transit service area

Good afternoon,

As you may have heard from either recent Bloomington Transit board meetings or WFIU, we're facing sudden changes to our service area for Rural Transit, which has been providing all public transportation outside of the city limits for 40 years. In anticipation of a discussion soon by the City Council, the Area 10 Board of Directors is sharing the attached resolution for your deliberation.

We will continue to be the public transportation provider for rural Monroe County, as well as Owen, Lawrence and Putnam, and, as such, are considered a regional transit provider by INDOT. Due to our immediate limitation in serving urban to urban points, we support BT's area to expand only to cover the area for which they are the federal grantee and designated provider. We believe any future city resolution could meet the community's public transportation needs and avoid duplication by specifying their redefined service area would be the Bloomington urbanized area as defined by the most recent Census.

I believe the document is clear, but I am willing to discuss further the context and our position at any point with any of you.

Thank you,

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