

**ORDINANCE 23-08**

**TO AMEND THE TRAFFIC CALMING AND GREENWAYS PROGRAM  
INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO TITLE 15 (“VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”)  
OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE -**

**Re: Amending the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program  
Incorporated by Reference into Bloomington Municipal Code Section 15.26.020**

- WHEREAS, on June 2, 1999, the Bloomington Common Council (“Council”) adopted Ordinance 99-16, which established the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program in order to guide the decision making process for placement of traffic calming and related traffic control devices in neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS, on October 21, 2020, the Council adopted Ordinance 20-17, which replaced the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program with the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program; and
- WHEREAS, Bloomington Municipal Code Section 15.26.020 (“Traffic calming and greenways program”) incorporates the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program into the municipal code by reference, including any amendments made to the program approved by ordinance of the Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program includes a list of rationale for the program, which includes encouraging resident involvement and ensuring an appropriate process to receive traffic calming requests from residents; and
- WHEREAS, the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program includes a list of guiding principles that inform the program, including the principle that processes shall provide for reasonable but not onerous resident participation in the plan development and evaluation; and
- WHEREAS, the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program envisions a process for Bloomington that is openly shared and transparent to the community; and
- WHEREAS, under the current Traffic Calming and Greenways Program, proposed projects, which may have significant impacts on residents, do not require review by an elected governing body before proceeding to the installation phase; and
- WHEREAS, both the resident-led and staff-led traffic calming processes provided for in the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program should include a step for Council review and approval of potential projects before those projects proceed to the installation phase; and
- WHEREAS, the Bloomington Common Council believes that changes are warranted to the Traffic Calming and Greenways Program, which has been incorporated by reference into Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code entitled “Vehicles and Traffic,”

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

SECTION 1. The Traffic Calming and Greenways Program (“Program”) incorporated by reference into Bloomington Municipal Code Section 15.26.020 is amended as depicted in “Attachment A”, attached hereto and incorporated herein. The visual overviews in the Program of the resident-led traffic calming process and the staff-led traffic calming/neighborhood greenway process shall be revised to reflect the amendments shown in Attachment A.

SECTION 2. The amended Program is adopted. Two copies of the amended Program shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk for public inspection.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence or provision of this ordinance, or application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions or application 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 effect after its passage by the Common Council and approval of the Mayor, any required publication, and, as necessary, other promulgation in accordance with the law.

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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SUE SGAMBELLURI, President  
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

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NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk  
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk  
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

#### SYNOPSIS

This ordinance adopts an amended Traffic Calming and Greenways Program. The Traffic Calming and Greenways Program sets the standard for the prioritization and placement of neighborhood traffic calming and related traffic control devices and requires a consistent procedure for resident-led and staff-led processes. The amendments to the program include the addition of Common Council Action as a required step in both the resident-led and staff-led processes.