

ORDINANCE 2024-17
TO AMEND TITLE 20 (UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE)
OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE –

**Re: Amendments and updates related to grading permit and alignment with Title 13 and
BMC 20.04 related to steep slopes**

WHEREAS, the Common Council, by its Resolution 18-01, approved a new Comprehensive Plan for the City of Bloomington, which took effect on March 21, 2018; and

WHEREAS, thereafter the Plan Commission initiated and prepared a proposal to repeal and replace Title 20 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled “Unified Development Ordinance” (“UDO”); and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2019 the Common Council passed Ordinance 19-24, to repeal and replace the UDO; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2020 the Mayor signed and approved Ordinance 19-24; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2020, the Common Council passed Ordinance 20-06 and Ordinance 20-07; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2020, the Unified Development Ordinance became effective; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2024, the Plan Commission voted to favorably recommend this amendment proposal to the Common Council, after providing notice and holding public hearings on the proposal as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission certified this amendment proposal to the Common Council on August 14, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in preparing and considering this proposal, the Plan Commission and Common Council have paid reasonable regard to:

- 1) the Comprehensive Plan;
- 2) current conditions and character of current structures and uses in each district;
- 3) the most desirable use for which land in each district is adapted;
- 4) the conservation of property values throughout the jurisdiction; and
- 5) responsible development and growth;

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

SECTION I. Title 20 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled “Unified Development Ordinance”, is amended.

SECTION II. An amended Title 20, entitled “Unified Development Ordinance”, including other materials that are incorporated therein by reference, is hereby adopted. Said replacement ordinance consists of the following documents which are attached hereto and incorporated herein:

1. The Proposal forwarded to the Common Council by the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation, consisting of:
 - (A) ZO-30-24 (hereinafter “Attachment A”)
 - (B) Any Council amendments thereto (“Attachment B”)

SECTION III. The Clerk of the City is hereby authorized and directed to oversee the process of consolidating all of the documents referenced in Section II into a single text document for codification.

SECTION IV. Severability. 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 V. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this ____ day of _____, 2024.

ISABEL PIEDMONT-SMITH, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this __ day of _____, 2024.

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED AND APPROVED by me upon this __ day of _____, 2024.

KERRY THOMSON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This petition contains amendments throughout Title 20 related to changes to the grading permit and other erosion control regulations and amendments to 20.04 related to steep slopes to align with State regulations.