

RESOLUTION 2024-22

**TO APPROVE AN UPDATE TO THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON'S
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT TRANSITION PLAN**

- WHEREAS, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (hereafter, ADA) prohibits state and local governments from discriminating against people on the basis of their disability and from excluding people from participation in governmental programs, services, or activities because of their disability; and
- WHEREAS, the ADA requires all public agencies with more than 50 employees to maintain an up-to-date Transition Plan, which should survey accessibility barriers in programs and services and implement a plan to remove them; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington works with state and federal agencies that require an up-to-date ADA Transition Plan approved by the City's legislative body as a condition of receiving federal funding, including the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD); and
- WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington prepared its first ADA Transition Plan in 1990 and has updated it several times since then, most recently in 2022 via Resolution 22-19; and
- WHEREAS, the document proposed for adoption by the Common Council will satisfy the ADA's requirement to have an up-to-date Transition Plan; and
- WHEREAS, the City, working with the Council for Community Accessibility, has focused this year's ADA update on improving awareness and changing attitudes around barriers to accessibility in Bloomington, as well as gathering data on the accessibility of public rights of way, public transportation, accommodations, and city amenities; and
- WHEREAS, the City's goal is to ensure program accessibility for people with disabilities by meeting or exceeding the requirements of the ADA; and
- WHEREAS, the City recognizes that barriers to accessibility remain and that the ADA Transition Plan helps to identify those barriers and plans for removal;

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

SECTION 1. The 2024 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan is approved as an advisory document outlining a plan for the City of Bloomington to be accessible to people of all abilities and is attached and made a part of this resolution.

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