

## **Resolution 2026-03 - To Rename Sidewalk Standing Committee of the Common Council**

### **Preamble**

Whereas, the City of Bloomington Common Council ("Council") has an interest in the efficient governance of the City; and

Whereas, predictability and accessibility in the legislative process is desirable for all involved, including city departments, city residents, and the various petitioners that come before the Council; and

Whereas, Bloomington Municipal Code ("BMC") 2.04.210 provides, in part, that "the council may by resolution establish standing committees and define the duties and responsibilities of each committee. If such committees are established, the presiding officer shall appoint at least three council members to each committee, observing the preference of each member as closely as possible, and shall appoint a chairperson for each committee"; and

Whereas, in Resolution 22-02, the Council Sidewalk Standing Committee was established as a four-member committee charged with making recommendations to the full Council on the use of Alternative Transportation Fund monies specifically budgeted for Council recommended sidewalk and traffic-calming projects; and

Whereas, the Council is interested in expanding the Sidewalk Standing Committee's work to include broader consideration of pedestrian safety; and

Whereas, the Council therefore desires to rename the Sidewalk Standing Committee to reflect its purpose and function.

Be It Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, That:

### **Section 1. Expanded Purpose of Sidewalk Committee.**

The purpose of the committee formerly known as the "Sidewalk Committee" is hereby broadened to include various methods of increasing pedestrian safety in making recommendations on the use of Alternative Transportation Fund monies, including, but not limited to sidewalk installation and improvements, pedestrian access points, traffic-calming, and other safety improvements.

### **Section 2. Renaming.**

To reflect this expanded purpose, the committee shall be renamed the Pedestrian Safety Committee.

### **Section 3. Membership.**

The Committee shall continue to consist of four Councilmembers, appointed by the presiding officer in accordance with Bloomington Municipal Code 2.04.210.

### **Section 4. Severability.**

If any section, sentence or provision of this resolution, 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 resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this resolution are declared to be severable.

### **Section 5. Effective Date.**

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

**Passed**

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon the 04 day of February, 2026.

Signature of Bloomington Common Council President:



Isak Nti Asare  
President, City of Bloomington

Attestation of Bloomington City Clerk:



Nicole Bolden  
Clerk, City of Bloomington

Presented by me to Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 06 day of February, 2026.



Nicole Bolden  
Clerk, City of Bloomington

Signed and approved by me upon this 9 day of February, 2026.



Kerry Thomson  
Mayor, City of Bloomington

**Synopsis**

This resolution, sponsored by Councilmembers Piedmont-Smith and Stosberg, renames the Sidewalk Standing Committee to the Pedestrian Safety Standing Committee.

Distributed to: Clerk, Council Attorney, Legal, and Mayor.