

**City Of Bloomington Board Of Public Works  
Resolution 2026-20**

Whereas, The Board of Public Works is empowered by Indiana Code § 36-9-6-2 to supervise the streets, alleys, sewers, public grounds, and other property of the City of Bloomington (“City”);

Whereas, Monroe County, Indiana recently changed the early voting location to take place at 501 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana, 47404; and

Whereas, the Monroe County Commissioners own 501 N. Morton Street; and

Whereas, the Monroe County Commissioners posted several signs in the City of Bloomington Rights-of-Way to direct voters to the correct polling location and to set forth rules of conduct near to and within the polling locations; and

Whereas, City staff requests that the Board of Public Works allow Monroe County’s directional signs and logistic signs related to voting locations be permitted within the City Rights-of-Way during election season throughout 2026, so as to avoid confusion and the necessity of City staff being required to answer related questions. It is intended that the County directional and logistical signs be adopted as the City’s own speech.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Public Works that:**

1. Permitted voting signs (defined further herein) may be posted within the City of Bloomington Rights-of-Way by Monroe County Government, on behalf of the City of Bloomington, as they are, hereby, declared to be the speech of the City of Bloomington.
2. “Permitted voting signs” include those that are government-sponsored, temporary and either direct people to polling locations or instruct people on the rules regarding polling locations. The Permitted voting signs in the City of Bloomington’s Rights-of-Way will benefit the City of Bloomington, as it will relieve the City of Bloomington staff from answering questions about polling locations. A polling location is located in the County-owned portion of a building, which is partially owned by the County and partially owned by City entities, causing confusion to the public and voters. The Permitted voting signs will prevent confusion and save City of Bloomington staff time.
3. “Permitted voting signs” do not include permanent signs or signs promoting or advertising candidates or political issues.

4. "Permitted voting signs" posted by Monroe County Government are adopted by and declared the speech of the City of Bloomington because Monroe County is a governmental entity and because it is in the best interest of the City of Bloomington and the public that there be clear markers directing people to and indicating the rules regarding polling locations.
5. The City of Bloomington retains the right to remove or temporarily move any and all Permitted voting signs that it deems necessary. The City of Bloomington will notify Monroe County Government, if any action needs to be taken to remove a sign. Temporary movement of signs for landscaping and upkeep on City of Bloomington property will not necessitate notification to Monroe County Government.

**Adopted This The 7th Day of April, 2026.**

Name:

Signature:

Date: 04/07/2026

Title: Authorized Representative of the Board of Public Works