#### ORDINANCE 20-2018 OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

### ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER XX ENTITLED STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Bloomingdale ("Borough") is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough's Code of General Ordinances ("Code") currently provide for the safe use of various public streets and sidewalks in the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the municipal council ("Municipal Council") of the Borough has determined to amend Chapter XX entitled Streets and Sidewalks to include a Complete Streets Policy as follows;

# **ARTICLE III - COMPLETE STREETS POLICY**

20.15 Purpose

The Borough of Bloomingdale Complete Streets Policy promotes a comprehensive, integrated, connected multimodal transportation network by providing connections to bicycling and walking trip generators such as employment, education, residential, recreational and public facilities, as well as retail and transit centers.

20.16 Goals

a. Create a comprehensive, integrated, connected multimodal transportation network by facilitating connection to bicycling and walking trip generators such as employment, education, residential, recreational, retail, transit, and public facilities.

b. Provide safe and accessible accommodations for existing and future pedestrian, bicycle, vehicle and transit facilities on all roadways in the Borough.

c. Develop procedures for Borough officials to evaluate transportation projects, major site plan reviews and redevelopment plans, and to ensure that adequate consideration of bicycle, pedestrian and transit needs are incorporated into the planning, design, constructions, and maintenance of projects.

d. Transportation facilities constructed for long-term use shall anticipate likely future demand for bicycling, and walking facilities and not preclude the provision of future improvements.

e. Designs shall address the need for bicyclist and pedestrians to cross corridors, as well as travel along them, in a safe accessible and convenient manner; therefore, the design of intersections, interchanges and bridges shall anticipate use by bicyclist and pedestrians.

f. Improvements shall also consider connections for trail crossings and areas or populations groups with limited transportation options.

g. Improvements shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. (ADA)

### 20.17 Exemptions

Exemptions in any zone in the Borough for the Complete Streets Policy shall be documented with supporting data indicating the reason(s) for the decision, and are limited to the following:

- a. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities shall not be required where they are prohibited by law.
- b. Where scarcity of population, travel and attractors, both existing and future, indicate an absence of need for these accommodations, they shall not be required.
- c. Where detrimental environmental, safety or social impacts outweigh the need for these accommodations, they shall not be required.
- d. Proposed bicycle lanes and sidewalks shall have connections to adjoining Borough and County roads. Bicycle lanes and sidewalks with no planned connections may not be considered.
- e. Where no present or future transit facilities exist, or are anticipated compliance is not required.

20.18 Complete Streets Priority Action Plan

The Complete Streets Priority Action Plan is set forth to identify priority actions and improvement areas for decision-makers, and Borough professionals to focus their attention and propose complete street alternatives in adherence to the policy.

- a. Work with the Borough School Districts to encourage walking and bicycling in accordance with school policies for students.
- b. Encourage and facilitate complete streets improvements on roadways owned and maintained by the County of Passaic.
- c. Promote outdoor dining, where permitted by code, and to engender the community and encourage pedestrian activity.
- d. Require Public Works employees to consider complete streets policies during

their maintenance activities. Employees shall be expected to:

- (1) Complete street cleaning of the entire street surface, and
- (2) Avoid snow plowing that pushes snow into crosswalks, blocking access. Blocked crosswalks shall be cleared as soon as possible.
- e. The Borough's Land Use Board shall promote bicycle and pedestrian improvements during their review of commercial, retail, office, and multifamily residential land uses.
  - 3. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
  - 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage by the Borough Council, and approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE COUNTY OF PASSAIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ATTEST:

Breeanna Calabro, Clerk

By: \_

Jonathan Dunleavy, Mayor

# **NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at an Official Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale held in the Municipal Building on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018, and the same shall come up for final passage at an Official Meeting of the Governing Body to be held on the 21<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018 at 7PM, at which time any persons interested shall be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. Copies of this Ordinance are available in the Clerk's Office located at 101 Hamburg Turnpike, Bloomingdale, New Jersey.

Breeanna Calabro, RMC Municipal Clerk