

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-85-07

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE POLICY TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO HOME ADDRESSES
ON THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC PROPERTY DATA BASE WEB SITES**

There is in effect I. C. 36-1-8.5, *et, seq.*, providing for the restriction of access to home addresses of certain persons as defined by I.C. 36-1-8.5-2 ("Covered Persons") on the County's public property data base web sites.

I.C. 36-1-8.5-7 provides that the County may establish a process to prevent a member of the general public from gaining access to the home addresses of Covered Persons on the County's public property data base web sites, and the County now wishes to establish such a process.

The Board of Commissioners has previously adopted Resolution No. 2015-85-13 establishing a process to prevent a member of the general public from gaining access to the home addresses of Covered Persons on the County's public property data base web sites.

That the Board of Commissioners, due to amendments made to I. C. 36-1-8.5, *et, seq.*, now desire to amend the County's process to include additional Covered Persons.

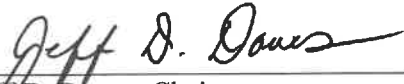
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

1. A Covered Person, as defined by I.C. 36-1-8.5-2, and as amended, may submit a written application to the County Auditor to restrict their home addresses from the general public on the County's public property data base web sites, as those web sites are defined in I.C. 36-1-8.5-5:
2. The form of the written application to restrict access to home address of a Covered Person shall be proscribed by the County Auditor and shall be made available upon request.
3. The County shall restrict access to the home address of a Covered Person until the Covered Person submits a written application to the County to allow the general public access to their home address on the County's public property data base web sites.
4. The form of the written application to allow access to home address of a Covered Person shall be proscribed by the County Auditor and shall be made available upon request.
5. The fee to be charged a Covered Person for each parcel described in an application to restrict access shall be Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00), which shall be collected by the County Auditor at the time a written application is submitted, and deposited into the County's general fund.
6. If, after submitting a written application to restrict access to home address, the Covered Person obtains a change of name and notifies the County in writing of the change of name, the County shall prevent a search by the general public of the County's public property data base web sites from disclosing or otherwise associating the Covered Person's home address with the Covered Person's former name and new name.
7. A written application, notification of name change, or any other information submitted to the County by a Covered Person is confidential under I.C. 5-14-3-4(a).

8. Pursuant to I.C. 36-1-8.5-12, a County may not be held civilly liable for failure to timely restrict access to home address unless the County's act or omission constitutes gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

ADOPTED this 10 day of JUNE, 2024.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY



Jeff D. Dawes, Chairman



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ATTEST:



Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor