

**ADA ACCESSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD
MINUTES
November 27, 2018
Commission Room City Hall, City Center
10:15 A.M.**

Board members present: Roseann Burkett, Helen Hartmann, Troy Osterloo

Board member(s) absent: Patti Monson, Matt Pruner, Robert Korn

Staff present: Colleen Moran, Assistant City Attorney

Guests present: Mike Patten (Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation Department)

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 10:18.

NEW BUSINESS – Update of City Projects

Levitt Shell

Mike Patten from the City's Parks and Recreation Department presented an update on the Levitt Shell project, which is located in Falls Park West. Construction began in the spring, but was slowed by inclement weather. Even so, a number of site improvements have been made. The improvements include much progress has been made. Sidewalks have been poured, foundations and footings have been poured for the stage, the hospitality platform, and the restrooms. The restroom building has also been enclosed. Some retaining walls have also been put in place. The Parks Department anticipates the heavy construction will be complete by January, and the majority of the project will likely be completed in April 2019.

ADA compliance was considered and will be met by the time of the project's completion. The restrooms will include accessible stalls and accessible family restrooms. The sidewalks will comply with ADA standards, and the vendors will be located on an accessible path. Accessible seating will be marked and available near the stage. Accessible parking will be available in an adjoining lot.

Midco Aquatics Center Update

Colleen Moran provided an update on the Midco Aquatic Center. Parks Department personnel indicated individuals with disabilities continue to use the facility, including the therapy pool and the accessible family changing/restrooms. The Center has received a number of positive comments from caregivers of individuals using the facility. The Parks Department will review the need for adding an additional bench in one of the family changing/restrooms.

Sidewalk Inspection Program

Colleen Moran provided an update on the City's sidewalk inspection program. This program annually inspects an area of the city to determine if sidewalk repairs are needed and, if so, property owners are notified of the needed repairs. ADA compliance is a goal of the program.

In 2018, the City inspected 4824 properties and sent out over 1500 notices of sidewalks needing repair.

Adaptive Ski Program at Great Bear Recreation Park

Great Bear Recreation Park has taken steps to strengthen its adaptive ski program. Currently, the park offers skiing lessons and has purchased adaptive ski equipment. However, it has now made a concerted effort to recruit volunteers to assist with individuals with disabilities with lessons and ski runs. Having additional volunteers provides greater opportunity for individuals to schedule lessons and use the ski hills. Great Bear has also provided volunteers with information about training opportunities and has agreed to pay for registration fees at these training events. It has also notified individuals of online training opportunities and will provide the Alpine Adaptive Technical Manual to volunteers and will provide an on-site clinic. The Board will ask a Great Bear Representative to attend a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public was present for public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. A meeting will not be held in December.

Disclaimer: The ADA Accessibility Review Board is a board of community members volunteering their time to give necessary feedback on projects of the City which may have an impact on Title II of The American's with Disabilities Act. The intent of the review is not to evaluate complete compliance with an accessibility standard, but to ensure overall programmatic accessibility. The Board is not presented all the information and is not given sufficient time for a thorough review. The Board's review is merely cursory and should only be considered a recommendation of the Board. The Board recommendation should not be considered a certification that the project meets ADA standards. The Board only reviews the project based on The American's with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines and other U.S. Access Board guidance and does not address any local codes, such as any building codes or fire and safety codes. Any conflicts in local codes should be addressed by the appropriate parties.

Minutes submitted by Colleen Moran