

TOWN OF PITTSBORO ADA TRANSITION PLAN

September 21, 2015

OVERVIEW

1. Project Background and Description

In the summer of 2015, the Town of Pittsboro contracted CHA to do an ADA assessment Report for the Town. CHA's report indicated that the Town needed to spend \$ 254,650.00 to bring the Town's buildings up to compliance. The cost to bring the Town's sidewalks, ramps and curbs up to ADA standard was an additional \$ 1,729,567.80. This is a total cost of \$ 1,984,217.80. The Town' annual budget is around \$ 1,450,000.00

2. Project Scope

On each of the properties that the Town owns, we need to meet ADA standards.

This would include:

1. Accessible parking spaces
2. Accessible aisle (five feet minimum)
3. Slope of the accessible parking space
4. Signage for accessible parking spaces
5. Access to buildings (that does not require stairs)
6. Access to building is at least 36" wide on a level, slip resistant, stable and firm route
7. The main entrance must have a clearing of at least 32" with the door opened
8. The main entrance must have 60" of depth and 18" of maneuvering room at the side
9. The main entrance threshold is no more than 1/4" high
10. The main entrance must have the correct door hardware (operable with one hand and does not require tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist) at the correct heights, with the correct closing time
11. Switches and other controlled items at the proper height
12. All controlled switches must be operated with one hand
13. All storage provided with a 30" X 48" clear space and shelving having a max reach of 48"
14. At least one accessible rest room available to the public in each building
15. Proper dimensions for stool, grab bars, sink, soap and paper dispensers

On all Town sidewalk:

16. All sidewalks in Town need to be free of raised spaces, cracks and defects
17. All sidewalks in Town need to have the correct running slope
18. All sidewalks in Town need to have the correct cross slope
19. All sidewalks in Town need to have a detectable warning when the sidewalk approaches the street/ alley
20. There should be no gaps where the ramps meet the streets (top coat of paving)

3. High-Level Requirements

All people (local or guest) must have the ability to access the Town' property (Town Hall, the Parks, parking lots, etc). In addition, we must have safe sidewalks and ramps for mobility

4. Deliverables

The financial resources to enacted the Transition Plan is not available at this time. The Town's income is limited by the tax freeze enacted by the State' legislators. We currently do not have the funds to keep the Parks up to date (no new equipment in the last 10-15 years.) A third of the Town's budget is obligated to the Police department. And there are State and Federal mandated things that must be done. Any money spent on the Transition Plan will come from some other department funding

5. Affected Parties

Everyone that lives in or visits Pittsboro is affected by the Transition Plan. This would include the people that work for the Town and the elected officials of the Town

6. Specific Exclusions from Scope

The Town Manager will request a modest amount each year be placed in the budget for the Transition Plan beginning with the 2017 budget. Then based on how much money the Town Council allocates to the Plan the Town Manager will each year implement the best use of those funds to have the greatest reach, (i.e. Park parking, Town Hall, etc.) This past year without any funding for the Transition Plan, the Town Manager removed and replaced two sidewalks to Transition Plan standards and installed two detectable warring device, the Town Manager also leveled some sidewalks to eliminate a tripping hazard. In addition to five other detectable warring devices that the Planning Director had builders install in a couple of newer subdivisions

7. Implementation Plan

The Transition Plan is an ongoing living organism and will change and adapt to changing ADA standards. The Town has the responsibility to do everything that they can for the citizens of the Town and the guests that visit our Town. Each year when the Town Manager is given his budget for the Transition Plan he will look to maximize the funds available and incorporate that money with Town projects to make those funds go further in fixing items listed in the ADA Assessment Report prepared by CHA

8. High-Level Timeline/Schedule

The Transition Plan will never be finished, without federal funding to assist the Town. We do not anticipate any Federal assistance. So we will work with the budget process and spend as much as the accounts say is available to be used for the Transition Plan. Currently we think we can get about \$ 5,000.00 per year. As has been stated earlier, the Town Manager will try to double up his street work (ramp, curbs and sidewalk) and spread the Transition Plan money to go much further

APPROVAL AND AUTHORITY TO PROCEED

We approve the project as described above, and authorize the town to proceed.

Approved by
Town Council
President

Date

Approved by
Town
Manager

Date