

TO: Park & Recreation Commission Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator
Chris Fortsch, Administrative Assistant
Jon Steffes, Summer Recreation Director
DATE: May 9, 2024
RE: Meeting Notice
Monday, May 20, 2024
5:30 p.m., Wieser Park Pavilion at Wieser Park
1817 County Road #6, La Crescent

AGENDA

1. Consideration of meeting minutes – March 18, 2024.
2. Review the draft ADA Facility Audit of Parks and Recreation Facilities.
Representatives from MSA will be in attendance at the meeting via zoom to review the report. A copy of the report is included.
3. Review the Conservation Partners Legacy Grant project for the Stoney Point property and Horse Track Meadows property. Information included.
4. Review upcoming 2024 summer recreation season/activities/programming.
5. Summer Recreation Directors resignation. Letter included.
6. Update on the Blue Lake Canoe/Kayak access and the Dog Park project.
7. Review usage information that is included for the bicycle/pedestrian bridge.
8. Set date for next meeting.
9. Additional discussion items.
10. Adjournment.

Please call either Chris or Bill at 895-2595, or e-mail us at cfortsch@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov or bwaller@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov, if you will not be able to attend, have questions, or need more information. Thank you.

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Park and Recreation Commission Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator
DATE: March 20, 2024
RE: Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2024

The La Crescent Park and Recreation Commission met at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 18, 2024, in the Wieser Park Pavilion at Wieser Park. The following members were present: Maseray Bangura, Patti Martell, Marge Loch-Wouters, Diana Adamski and Sarah Wetterlin. Commission members Jon Steffes and Paul McLellan were not in attendance. Also in attendance were Randy Urich, Ruth Nissen, Val Green, Steve Gund, Jason Ludwigson, and Bill Waller.

1. It was the consensus of the Commission to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2024 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented.
2. Val Green, DNR Forestry was in attendance at the meeting to review the Habitat Plan that she had completed for the Stoney Point/Vetsch/Vollenwieder property. The discussion included a review of the invasive exotics present on the property, and alternatives to manage the vegetation. Jason Ludwigson reviewed the pending Conservation Partners Legacy Expedited Grant Application for mowing, treating, and then re-planting a portion of the Stoney Point property.
3. Steve Gund, La Crescent Lions Club, reviewed the Map the Experience project for Eagles Bluff Park. Funding for the project is coming from the La Crescent Lions Club and a Statewide Health Improvement Partnership grant.
4. An update was provided on the increase in the hourly rate of pay for lifeguards, and reimbursing lifeguards at the end of the season for the costs associated with obtaining and maintaining their certification as a lifeguard that was recently approved by the City Council.
5. The Commission was provided an update on the Blue Lake Canoe/Kayak access project and the dog park project.
6. The Commission reviewed the 2023 summary of activity for the Natural Resource Advisory Group, the Winona County improvement project at Apple Blossom Overlook Park, and the draft of the Root River Trail Extension Plan.
7. The Commission was updated on the status of various grant applications, including the Outdoor Recreation Grant for improvements at Wieser Park, the Area Transportation Partnership application and the MnDOT Technical Assistance Funding, along with the DNR grant for stream improvements at Pine Creek.
8. The next Park & Recreation Commission meeting will be May 20, 2024. The meeting will be held at the Wieser Park Pavilion.
9. There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:48 pm.

#2



ADA FACILITY AUDIT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA

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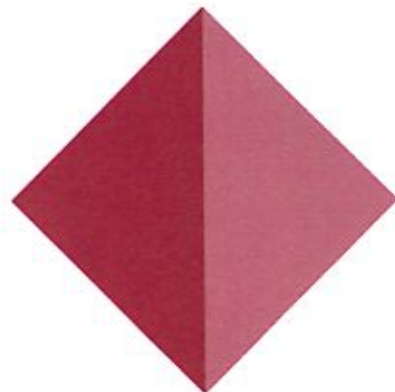




ADA FACILITY AUDIT AND TRANSITION PLAN



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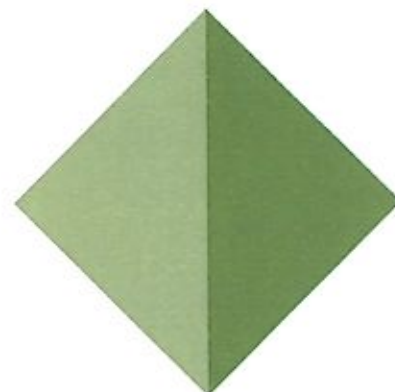


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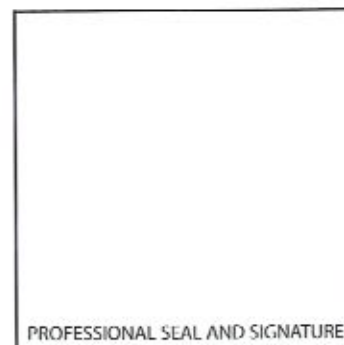
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PROFESSIONAL SEAL AND SIGNATURE

SECTION I - INTRODUCTION



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NEED AND PURPOSE

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 is a Civil Rights statute (Law), enforced through the judicial system. This law prohibits discrimination against people who have disabilities. Title II of the Act specifically addresses making public services accessible to those with disabilities and applies to municipalities. Title II requires physical accessibility assessments of all existing facilities to determine whether there are elements that create physical barriers to individuals with disabilities. In 2010, new replacement ADA standards were issued and became effective March 15, 2012. These new standards expanded to include recreational assets; playgrounds, play areas, athletic fields, sports courts, and more.

This document has been created for the City of La Crescent to specifically cover accessibility within City of La Crescent Park Facilities and does not include information on City rights-of-way, programs, practices, or building facilities not related to parks. In 2023, The City of La Crescent hired MSA Professional Services to assist with the evaluation of public park properties within the City, identified in Table 1 - Section II. Other facilities and spaces owned or operated by City are not included in this report. Section II of this report summarizes accessibility deficiencies observed at each of the sites and facilities audited. Refer to Section III of the report for additional information on the City's approach and the timeline for corrective measures, commonly referred to as the Transition Plan.

ADA AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS

Title II of ADA is companion legislation to two previous federal statutes and regulations: the Architectural Barriers Acts of 1968 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 is a Federal law that requires facilities designed, built, altered or leased with Federal funds to be accessible. The Architectural Barriers Act marks one of the first efforts to ensure access to the built environment.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a Federal law that protects qualified individuals from discrimination based on their disability. The nondiscrimination requirements of the law apply to employers and organizations that receive financial assistance from any Federal department or agency. Title II of ADA extended this coverage to all state and local government entities, regardless of whether they receive federal funding or not.

SECTION I – INTRODUCTION



AGENCY REQUIREMENTS

Under Title II, the City of La Crescent (Parks and Recreation Department) must meet these general requirements:

- Must operate their programs so that, when viewed in their entirety, the programs are accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities (28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.150).
- May not refuse to allow a person with a disability to participate in a service, program, or activity simply because the person has a disability (28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.130 (a)).
- Must make reasonable modifications in policies, practices, and procedures that deny equal access to individuals with disabilities unless a fundamental alteration in the program would result (28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.130(b) (7)).
- May not provide services or benefits to individuals with disabilities through programs that are separate or different unless the separate or different measures are necessary to ensure that benefits and services are equally effective (28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.130(b)(iv) & (d)).
- Must take appropriate steps to ensure that communications with applicants, participants and members of the public with disabilities are as effective as communications with others (29 C.F.R. Sec. 35.160(a)).
- Must designate at least one responsible employee to coordinate ADA compliance [28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.107(a)]. This person is often referred to as the “ADA Coordinator.” The public entity must provide the ADA coordinator’s name, office address, and telephone number to all interested individuals [28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.107(a)].
- Must provide notice of ADA requirements. All public entities, regardless of size, must provide information about the rights and protections of Title II to applicants, participants, beneficiaries, employees, and other interested persons [28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.106]. The notice must include the identification of the employee serving as the ADA coordinator and must provide this information on an ongoing basis [28 C.F.R. Sec. 104.8(a)].
- Must establish a grievance procedure. Public entities must adopt and publish grievance procedures providing for prompt and equitable resolution of complaints [28 C.F.R. Sec. 35.107(b)]. This requirement provides for a timely resolution of all problems or conflicts related to ADA compliance before they escalate to litigation and/or the federal complaint process.

SECTION II - EVALUATION

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METHODOLOGY

In June and July of 2023, MSA conducted accessibility audits for nine of the City of La Crescent managed parks. The team developed audit reports for each park (refer to the Appendix A), that included the following information:

- Cover page, featuring:
- Aerial photo of the building or park facility.
- Name of the building or park.
- Floor Plan (if applicable).
- Photos and description of deficiencies as identified from audits.

To complete the audits of recreational facilities, MSA referenced several existing checklist templates produced by the New England ADA Center, an Institute for Human Centered Design project, and a member of the ADA National Network. The checklists are based on the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, the Accessibility Guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADAAG).

For audits of buildings and structures, MSA follows the American National Standard for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities (ANSI A117.1). These standards are almost identical to the Americans with Disability Act Accessibility Guide (ADAAG). The primary difference between the two is that ADAAG is part of the overall ADA, which is federal civil rights legislation, while ANSI A117.1 is the accessibility standard adopted by the state of Minnesota under the Minnesota State Building Code and it is understood that this standard achieves ADA compliance.

This study does not include a review of the requirements for alarms (beyond fire alarms), telecommunications, websites, 911 communications, programs, services, employment, or transportation issues of ADA. This study reviewed all portions of the buildings and grounds listed, including public areas, and service areas.



Veteran's Park



Wieser Memorial Park



Frank J Kistler Park



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ADA Title II requires that all public programs be accessible and should not necessarily be construed to mean all portions of all public facilities. The extent of modifications required for all non-compliant items listed is contingent on the use of the area or room as part of a public program offered by the City of La Crescent Parks and Recreation Department. The burden of judgment and distinction of public areas from employment areas is the responsibility of City officials.

It is important to note that just because there is a physical barrier does not necessarily indicate program accessibility under the law. Program accessibility requires that each service, program or activity be operated "so that the service, program, or activity, when viewed in its entirety, is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities" 28 C.F.R. 35.150(a), subject to the financial and administrative burdens and fundamental alterations defenses provided in 28 C.F.R. 35.150. The City of La Crescent is responsible for using this data and determining Program accessibility.

Program modifications or relocation may be implemented to resolve a physical barrier and is probably the most cost-effective way of addressing some non-compliant items. Section III, Table 1 (Transition Plan) includes the cost for items in public portions of the facilities. It should be noted for non-public areas that ADA (Title I) does have requirements for the employment portions of publicly owned facilities as well, and those associated requirements should be reviewed with the City's legal counsel.

Overall, this study is not considered the conclusion of the City's assessment of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, but as a catalyst to its eventual full interpretation and ultimate implementation of required corrective measures. Further, please note the information contained in this report is not legal advice; consult Legal Counsel with any specific legal questions in regards to the City's obligations for compliance.



Crescent Valley Park



Valley South Park

SUMMARY OF EXISTING FACILITIES
Table 1

Park Name	Park Address	Acreage	Pool	Bike/Walking Trails	Park Shelter	Benches/Tables	Play Equipment	Monument/Historic Site	Basketball Court	Pickleball Court	Tennis Court	Sand Volleyball Court	Ball Fields	Soccer Field	Ice Skating Rink	Open Green Space	Sledding Hill	Restrooms	Parking Lot
Abnet Field	520 S 14th Street	10.4																	
Crescent Valley Park	Valley Lane	0.5																	
Eagles Bluff	422 Red Apple Drive	107.1																	
Frank J Kistler Memorial Park	608 S 7th Street	5.4																	
Horsetrack Meadows	Bridle Lane	38.9																	
John S Harris Park	N Elm Street	2																	
North End Park	Ambrosia Street	10																	
Old Hickory Park	1200 Jonathan Lane	17.8																	
Stoney Point	Stoney Point Road	59.6																	
Valley South Park	Jupiter Street	4																	
Veteran's Park	595 Veterans Parkway	8																	
Vetsch Park	722 N 2nd Street	25																	
Vollenweider Park	Crescent Hills Drive	18.9																	
Wieser Memorial Park	1811 County Road 6	5.9																	



SECTION II - EVALUATION

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Table 2 provides a broad overview of the results of the accessibility audit for each park. Major audit categories include: Approach & Entry, Play Areas, and Site Features; Buildings are differentiated and further broken down into minor audit categories. The compliance assessment summary for each minor audit category are as follows:

- ND = No Observed Deficiency
- LD = Low-Level Deficiency (few, minor, easily correctable deficiencies exist)
- HD = High-Level Deficiency (many, major, or difficulty in correcting deficiencies exist)
- NE = Not Present (feature did not exist at the park or facility)

The LD and HD categorization are subjective in nature but based on professional opinion. As an example, a restroom with an exterior door that shuts too quickly is a low-level deficiency, as adjustments to the door closing mechanism require minimal effort or cost to the City to achieve compliance. However, a restroom that lacks sufficient stall width is a high-level deficiency as remodeling interior spaces would be required to bring the restroom into compliance.

The purpose of the matrix is not to detail the extent of particular deficiencies but to provide, at a glance, a summary of how all the parks meet accessibility requirements. The summary matrix may be most beneficial in the development of the Transition Plan. For example, the City may focus future corrective actions to particular parks where only a few or low-level deficiencies exist.

NOTE: All results are based on conditions observed at the time of audit. New deficiencies could have arisen after the completion of an audit. Additionally, deficiencies may have been corrected before the release of this study.

EXAMPLES OF DEFICIENCY CATEGORIES



No Observed Deficiency
Proper route width and barrier-free access to pickleball courts provided.



Low-Level Deficiency
Add compliant signage for accessible parking stalls.



High-Level Deficiency
Add accessible route to shelter.

Audit Deficiency Summary

Table 2

Audit Deficiency Checklist:																				
Map #	Facility Name	Address		Approach & Entry		Play Areas			Site Features			Buildings			Summary					
				Parking	Routes	Accessible Routes	Play Equipment	Ground Surfaces	Accessible Routes	Site Furnishings (Tables, Benches, etc.)	Drinking Fountains	Shelters	Restrooms	Other Building (Ice Arena, Aquatic Center, etc.)	Total ND	Total LD	Total HD			
Parks																				
1	Abnet Field		520 S 14th Street	LD	HD	NE	NE	NE	HD	ND	HD	ND	HD	HD		2	1	4		
2	Crescent Valley Park		Valley Lane	HD	HD	LD	ND	HD	HD	LD	NE	NE	NE	NE		1	2	4		
3	Eagles Bluff		422 Red Apple Drive	No Auditable Features																
4	Frank J Kistler Memorial Park		608 S 7th Street	ND	ND	LD	ND	HD	LD	LD	HD	NE	HD	HD		3	3	3		
5	Horsetrack Meadows		Bridle Lane	No Auditable Features																
6	John S Harris Park		N Elm Street	NE	LD	ND	ND	HD	LD	LD	NE	NE	NE	NE		2	3	1		
7	North End Park		Ambrosia Street	No Auditable Features																
8	Old Hickory Park		1200 Jonathan Lane	HD	HD	HD	LD	ND	HD	ND	LD	LD	HD	NE		2	3	5		
9	Stoney Point		Stoney Point Road	No Auditable Features																
10	Valley South Park		Jupiter Street	NE	HD	LD	LD	HD	LD	LD	NE	NE	NE	NE		0	4	2		
11	Veteran's Park		595 Veterans Parkway	ND	ND	LD	LD	LD	HD	LD	NE	NE	NE	NE		2	4	1		
12	Vetsch Park		722 N 2nd Street	LD	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE		0	1	0		
13	Vollenweider Park		Crescent Hills Drive	No Auditable Features																
14	Wieser Memorial Park		1811 County Road 6	ND	ND	HD	LD	ND	LD	LD	LD	LD	HD	LD	NE	3	5	2		

Key		
ND	No Deficiency	No observed deficiencies.
LD	Low level Deficiency	Few, minor, easily correctable deficiencies.
HD	High level Deficiency	Many, major, or difficulty in correcting deficiencies.
NE	Not Present	Feature doesn't exist.

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OVERVIEW

The audit of City of La Crescent park facilities has identified conditions or components that form accessibility barriers. The Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") requires consideration by the City to address the identified barriers and bring the Parks and Recreation Programs, Policies, and Services into compliance.

With the facility assessment completed, the next step is to prioritize the recommended upgrades. The overall results, if aggregated, indicate the cost of the upgrades and repairs that will be required to bring all of the facilities into compliance. Funding for all of the upgrades may not be currently available. Thus, this Transition Plan document has been compiled to provide a priority structure for addressing needs in the system with the City's available funding and resources, as a phased approach.

The ADA, Title II, subsection 35.150, requires transition plans to be developed for local governments with 50 or more employees. The required transition plan is a planning document that denotes priorities, responsible parties, and timelines for ADA compliance in all public facilities. While not required, it is also best practice to identify cost estimates for each correct measure.

The City's Transition Plan includes the following components:

1. An overview of the City's Parks and Recreation Department's priority strategies for implementing corrective measures.
2. Contact information for the staff member designated as the ADA Coordinator and a summary of grievance procedures.
3. A table identifying deficiencies by park, including the recommended corrective action, cost estimates, target year for completion, and place to document an actual year of completion.

This Transition Plan is a guiding document intended to be continuously reviewed and updated by City staff as corrective measures are implemented or new priorities emerge. The City may identify the need to change the priority of items, convert temporary solutions to permanent, or modify approach to improvements based on budget and staff time.

DETERMINING PRIORITIES FOR CORRECTIVE MEASURES

The following section describes the City's Park and Recreation Department's strategy for developing priorities for corrective measures for existing park and recreation facilities that do not meet the 2010 Accessibility Standards. When constructing new facilities, the 2010 Accessibility Standards (or most current edition) must be followed in design and construction. When altering or improving existing facilities, the City must ensure that the part altered or improved complies with the 2010 Accessibility Standards. Those remaining deficient building or park facilities should be brought into compliance over time according to the priorities outlined below and within the Department's reasonable ability to budget for improvements.



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In determining how many facilities of a multi-site program require modifications to meet accessibility guidelines, further consideration may be applied taking into account the regional usage and unique amenity mix. In order to address the parks and amenities with the highest usage or singular amenity offering this approach will logically focus on the improvements to make the program readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities accounting for such factors as:

- Size of the public entity
- Number of sites
- Particular program features offered at each site
- Geographical distance between sites
- Travel time to the sites
- Availability of public or alternative transportation to the sites
- Availability of accessible pedestrian routes to the playgrounds
- Comparable amenities and services in and surrounding the play areas
- Size of the playgrounds
- And sufficient variety of accessible play components

The City's timeline includes provisions for addressing corrective measures for deficiencies based on the availability of City resources and some of the following factors:

- A. Maintenance.** ADA deficiencies that exist due to maintenance issues, such as trash receptacles placed on an otherwise accessible path creating a barrier to access, should be immediately addressed. Other deficiencies that can be addressed by City Staff and at a relatively low cost, for example, installing grab bars in park restrooms or adjusting signage, are also considered a higher priority for scheduling corrective measures than those items that, intuitively, are more expensive to correct, such as improvements that would require structural changes to existing restroom facilities.
- B. Accessible Routes.** After maintenance issues (i.e. low hanging fruit), the City's second priority is to address parking and route of access deficiencies. The City recognizes that an otherwise accessible feature such as a piece of playground equipment is inaccessible if the access to the play equipment does not meet accessibility standards.
- C. Regional Impact.** The City's larger multi-use facilities are more used for group, community, and family functions than single use facilities. Corrective measures at smaller or single-use areas are less likely to affect the greatest number of potential users unless adjacent land uses create a higher than expected demand. Context around and programmed use of each facility may create a higher demand for accessible park facilities than for parks that lack similar uses. In addition, it is the City's objective to focus corrective measures across the City so that accessible park elements are dispersed equitably across the City, rather than concentrated in one region of the City.
- D. Major Infrastructure Replacement.** The City's fourth priority is to address deficiencies when major infrastructure needs to be renovated or replaced. The City has numerous park shelters, restrooms, playgrounds, and parking lots that have replacements scheduled as part of existing or upcoming Master Planning efforts. The associated deficiencies will be addressed when they are replaced.

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The City of La Crescent (Park and Recreation Department) should not view the factors and priorities identified on the previous page as a limit on the Department's ability to take corrective actions as deemed necessary at any time. For example, the Department may consider adjustments to the scheduling of corrective measures, which would have the effect of falling outside the priority parameters above, if there is reasonable cause to do so, such as a new documented need or request for corrective measures brought to the City's attention.

In addition, ADA C.F.R. Section 35.150 makes it clear that not necessarily every facility or site of the same type must be made accessible. For example, not every existing shelter within the City's parks needs to be accessible, and the City may provide for the delivery of services at alternate accessible sites. However, when only some of the facilities are accessible, the City will strive to maintain scheduling policies for their use to accommodate requests for accessible shelters, boating facilities, play areas, or restrooms (if provided).

In addition, ADA C.F.R. Section 35.150 does not require the City to take any action that would threaten or destroy the historical significance of a historic property or require the City to take any action that it can demonstrate would result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of a service, program, or activity; or in undue financial and administrative burden; or result in a direct threat to the health or safety of others. If an action would result in such an alteration, burden, or safety issue, the Department may take any other action that would not result in such an alteration, burdens, or safety issue but would ensure that individuals with disabilities receive the benefits or services provided by the City of La Crescent.

ADA COORDINATOR

Title II of the ADA requires that one staff member be designated as ADA Coordinator. This person is responsible for receiving, review, and response to questions and concerns expressed by anyone who has a concern with disability-related access within the City of La Crescent park facilities. The designated ADA Coordinator for the City of La Crescent is Tyler Benish, Public Works Director, and his contact information can be found in the appendix of this report.

The ADA Coordinator shall refer ADA grievances to the City Council for review and recommendation in instances where an initial staff response does not resolve the grievance. Oversight for accessibility deficiency assessments, correct measures, and updates to the Transition Plan Timeline for City facilities is the responsibility of the City's ADA Coordinator.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

In accordance with 28 C.F.R. 35.107(b), City of La Crescent has developed a grievance procedure for the purpose of the prompt and equitable resolution of citizens' complaints, concerns, comments, and other grievances. This grievance procedure is outlined in Appendix D.

A complaint regarding accessibility of the City's park facilities and services should be in writing and contain information about the alleged discrimination such as the name of the complainant, address of the complainant, phone number of complainant, the location, date, and a description of the issue. The City of La Crescent's form for submittal of complaints can be found in the Appendix D. Alternative means of filing complaints, such as personal interviews or a recording of the complaint, will be made available for persons with disabilities upon request to the ADA Coordinator.



SECTION III - TRANSITION PLAN

TRANSITION PLAN TIMELINE

Table 3 on the following pages summarizes the observed deficiencies at each of the City's current park facilities. The information, sorted by facility name, includes a summary of the observed deficiency, target year, date of corrective measures, estimated cost, and space for tracking costs if the City desires. Each individual park audit contains a summary with description, photos of deficiencies, and potential recommendations for corrective measures (refer to Section III).

The target for completion has been identified either as a specific year range for larger capital projects or 'TBD' if that determination is yet to be determined. The City has or will identify a timeframe within which to implement corrective measures. Following completion of the audit reports, the City of La Crescent identified those deficiencies that could be reasonably addressed based on the priorities discussed in this plan and existing/anticipated City resources. While it is the City's intention to undertake most projects identified with a target completion of 2030, the City recognizes that other factors, including budgetary constraints, may not allow for the completion of all projects within the recommended timeframe.

Estimated costs have been developed for those actions which are likely to require contracted services for design and construction (e.g. new accessibility routes or restroom replacement), and limited to those corrective measures anticipated to occur within the next 10 years. The costs provided are preliminary construction estimates that were made before design or engineering considerations. The City recognizes that providing cost estimates beyond this timeframe is speculative and unpredictable and because it is the intent of the City to continually update the transition plan timeline.

Prioritization of Corrections and Improvements	
Priority	Proposed Timeframe
1*	1 - 2 years
2	3 - 5 years
3	6 - 7 years
4	8 - 10 years
5	10+ years

* - The City will provide signage directing users to accessible features until existing features are otherwise modified as part of a long-term solution.

As previously stated, this transition plan is a guiding document. As such, the transition plan timeline is intended to be amended from time to time by the City and used as a tool for assisting with the completion of annual City/Department budgeting.

The City of La Crescent's Access Audit of Park and Recreation Facilities, including Section I, II, and III shall be kept on file with the City and available for public inspection and comment. Comments regarding the transition plan shall be submitted to the ADA Coordinator.

SECTION III - TRANSITION PLAN

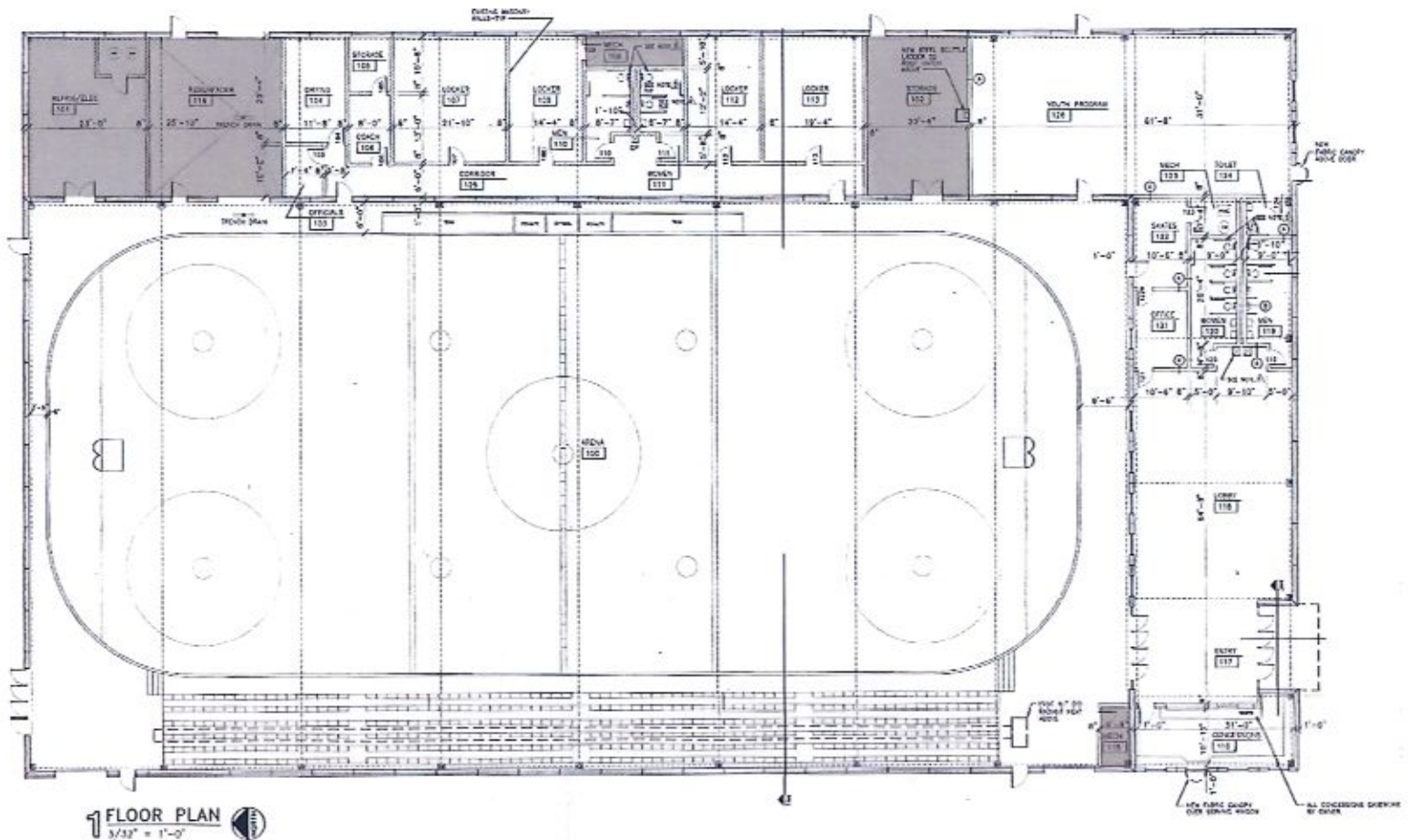
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**AUDIT SUMMARIES**

Park Name	Park Address
Abnet Field	520 S 14 th Street
Crescent Valley Park	Valley Lane
Eagles Bluff	422 Red Apple Drive
Frank J. Kistler Memorial Park	608 S 7 th Street
Horsetrack Meadows	Bridle Lane
John S. Harris Park	N Elm Street
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Vetsch Park	722 N 2 nd Street
Vollenweilder Park	Crescent Hills Drive
Wieser Memorial Park	1811 County Road 6

LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY ARENA AT ABNET FIELD



Note: grey boxes on the plan denote areas that were not reviewed/are not available to the public

Item #:

1

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route provided to field or seating.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

2

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route provided to shelter.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

3

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to batting cages.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

4

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Lip between gravel path and concrete for bleachers is over 1/4" high.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302

Item #:
5

Routes



Deficiency:

Other

Notes:

If gates are closed, no accessible route to baseball fields exists.

Potential Solution:

Reconfigure

Code:

None

Item #:
A1

Restroom
Building



Feature Type:

Restroom Entrance Doors

Deficiency:

Missing wall mounted compliant room signs

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Install signs on wall on latch side of the door

Item #:
A2

Restroom
Building



Feature Type:

Restroom Entrance Doors

Deficiency:

Round door knobs vs. lever handles

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Replace two door latch sets

Item #:
A3

Restroom
Building



Feature Type:

Restroom Entrance Doors

Deficiency:

Exterior clearance in front of doors is not 54"

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

If doors swing in the space is adequate

Item #:
A4

Restroom
Building



Feature Type:

Exterior Features

Deficiency:

Drinking fountain is too high and of the wrong type; also infringes on accessible route to door.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Locate a new high-low unit a another exterior wall

Item #:
A5

Restroom
Building



Feature Type:

Both Restrooms

Deficiency:

Waste can conflicts with accessible route, sink is too low, urinals are too close together, and there are no accessible toilet stalls.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Many options; base approach could be remodeling both bathrooms into family restrooms.

Item #:
A6

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Parking Lot

Deficiency:

(2) stalls south of the bus stop and (1) east of the building do not have an accessible route.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Consider proper placement, add accessible routes, and restripe/adjust signage locations to accomodate.

Item #:
A7

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Parking Lot

Deficiency:

Accessible stalls and access routes have multiple gaps and vertical transitions exceeding 1/2".

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Repair parking lot stalls and affected routes.

Item #:

A8

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Main Entry

Deficiency:

Entry door has concrete waste receptacle infringing on the required 60" clear maneuvering space in front of it.

Measurement:

48"

Potential Solution:

Relocate waste receptacle.

Item #:

A9

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Main Entry

Deficiency:

The gap between the entrance stoop and adjacent sidewalk exceeds 1/2" width and depth.

Measurement:

1"

Potential Solution:

Install backer rod and self-leveling sealant.

Item #:

A10

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby service window

Deficiency:

Too high

Measurement:

41"

Potential Solution:

Lower a minimum 36" wide portion of counters to 34"-36" high.

Item #:

A11

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Concessions Work Areas

Deficiency:

No accessible sink, limited work surfaces, service counter too high, and devices out of reach.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

TBD

Item #:

A12

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Defibrillator

Deficiency:

Mounted too high

Measurement:

58"

Potential Solution:

Lower so handle is at 48".

Item #:

A13

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Drinking Fountains

Deficiency:

Located in conflict with required 42" clear floor space at both restroom entry doors.

Measurement:

32" to the left, 36" to the right

Potential Solution:

Replace with a wheelchair accessible fountain/bottle filler/cup dispenser and verify door clearances are met.

Item #:

A14

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Restroom Signage

Deficiency:

Both signs are mounted with a projecting central fastener that disrupts the tactile raised characters.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Remove exposed fasteners, repair or replace sign, and remount.

Item #:

A15

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Restroom Entry Floor Transition

Deficiency:

Bullnose floor tile transition height does not meet ADA requirements.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible transition strip or threshold.

Item #:
A16

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Men's Restroom Accessible Toilet

Deficiency:

Toilet is too far from the wall--centerline beyond 18" and seat lower than 17".

Measurement:

19" centerline to wall, 15.75" height

Potential Solution:

Relocate and replace toilet.

Item #:
A17

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Women's Restroom Accessible Toilet

Deficiency:

Toilet is too far from the wall--beyond 18".

Measurement:

19" centerline to wall

Potential Solution:

Relocate toilet.

Item #:
A18

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Lobby Women's Restroom Accessible Route

Deficiency:

Freestanding waste receptacle conflicts with accessible clear floor space at the door.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate.

Item #:
A19

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Restroom Mirrors

Deficiency:

The mirrors in all (5) restrooms are mounted with their bottom reflecting surface above 40" height.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Lower one mirror per restroom.

Item #:

A20

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Fitness Room Paper Towel and Hand Sanitizer Dispensers

Deficiency:

Paper towel and hand sanitizer dispensers are mounted too high.

Measurement:

54"

Potential Solution:

Lower both dispensers.

Item #:

A21

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Restroom Sinks

Deficiency:

Supply and drain piping is missing protective insulation.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add pipe insulation.

Item #:

A22

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Toilet Paper Dispensers and Feminine Waste Receptacles

Deficiency:

Mounted out of reach zones.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate or replace.

Item #:

A23

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Player and Fitness Restroom Signage

Deficiency:

Accessible room signs are mounted directly on the doors.

Measurement:

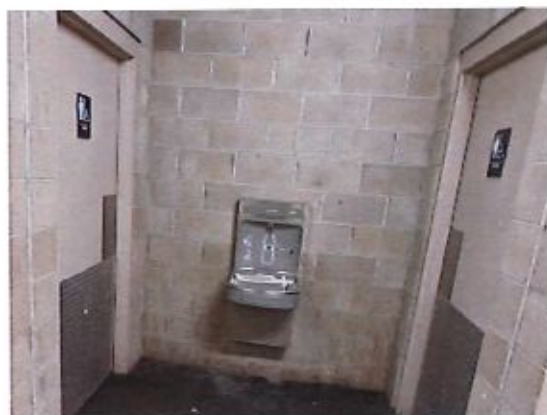
Potential Solution:

Add wall mounted signs per ADA; existing signs may remain if desired.

Item #:

A24

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Player Restroom Entry and Drinking Fountain

Deficiency:

Drinking fountain infringes on the clear floor space at adjacent doors and is lacking required higher unit or cup dispenser.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate drinking fountain and add a cup dispenser.

Item #:

A25

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Mats at Accessible Routes

Deficiency:

Throughout the facility there are some 3/8" resilient skate or 3/4" fitness floor mats with curled edges, making them a potential trip hazard and barrier.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible edge transitions for 3/4" fitness mats.

Item #:

A26

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

(5) Typical Locker Rooms: Changing Bench, Hooks, Door Pull, and Signage

Deficiency:

No accessible changing bench present, clothes hooks too high, door pull is too small, and no accessible room signs.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add an accessible bench with appropriate clearances, lower some clothes hooks, and replace door pulls.

Item #:

A27

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Elevated Wheelchair Viewing Area

Deficiency:

Elevated wheelchair viewing platform doesn't allow 60" turning radius, doesn't have a companion space, and doesn't have a compliant transition or handrails.

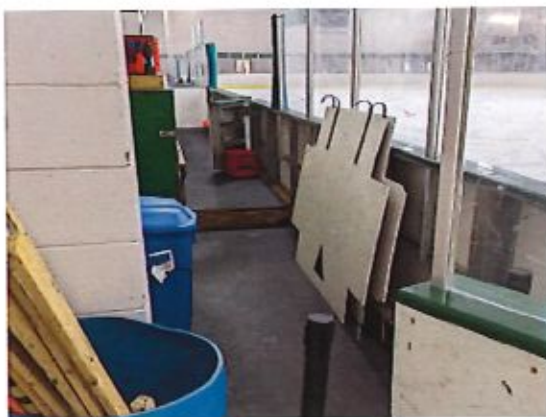
Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Provide compliant elevated wheelchair seating area.

Item #:
A28

Ice Arena



Feature Type:
Team/Player Seating

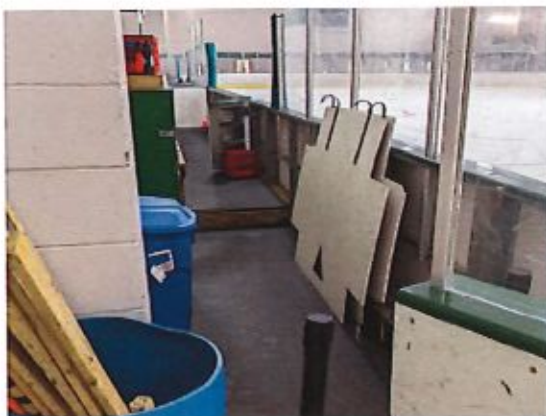
Deficiency:
No wheelchair spaces are provided within team/player seating areas.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:
Provide compliant wheelchair seating areas.

Item #:
A29

Ice Arena



Feature Type:
Court Sport Accessible Route

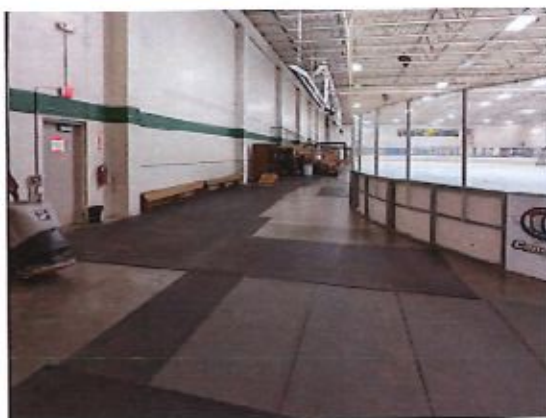
Deficiency:
No accessible route provided through player areas and onto the ice.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:
Provide ADA-compliant route onto ice.

Item #:
A30

Ice Arena



Feature Type:
Arena and Lobby Assistive Listening Devices

Deficiency:
No signage for assistive listening devices observed.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:
Assistive listening devices are required with signage if there is a PA system for spectators in the arena.

Item #:
A31

Ice Arena



Feature Type:
Arena Manager's Office

Deficiency:
Waste receptacle blocks door clearances and is lacking an ADA room sign.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:
Move waste receptacle and add an ADA room sign.

Item #:

A32

Ice Arena



Feature Type:

Fitness Room Clothing Hooks

Deficiency:

Clothes hooks are mounted above 48".

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add lower hooks in proximity to accessible changing bench.



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City of La Crescent

- Automobile Parking
- Exterior Features
- Play Equipment
- Routes

Legend

Park

Crescent Valley Park ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota

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Item #:

1

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

2

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Route does not extend to parking area

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

3

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to bench/library + no companion space next to bench.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

4

Automobile
Parking



Deficiency:

Accessible parking missing or improperly located

Notes:

No accessible parking stalls marked or surfaced.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible parking stall and compliant signage

Code:

208.2-3

Item #:

5

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route is less than 36-inches wide

Notes:

Access route to swing does not have appropriate turning radius.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (width)

Code:

206

Item #:

6

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Replace with accessible type

Code:

None

Item #:

7

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground surfacing does not meet ASTM F1951-99

Notes:

Playground surfacing is pea gravel.

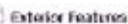
Potential Solution:

Modify or replace playground surfacing.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

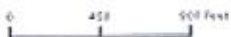
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Doors & Gates

Exterior Features

Other Feature

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City of La Crescent
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Item #:

1

Other Feature



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Story walk not located along accessible route or at an appropriate height.

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

None

Item #:

2

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Not on accessible route

Potential Solution:

Relocate to accessible route

Code:

None

Item #:

3

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

4

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground surfacing does not meet ASTM F1951-99

Notes:

Playground surfacing is pea gravel; not firm or slip-resistant.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace playground surfacing.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:
5

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Pad under accessible swings has lips and gaps exceeding 1/4" + 1/2" but is otherwise compliant.

Potential Solution:

Reconfigure

Code:

206, 302

Item #:
6

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Accessible picnic table not provided + picnic tables not located along an accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Reconfigure lot

Code:

None

Item #:
7

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:
8

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has gaps that exceed 1/2-inch

Notes:

Access pads near transfer platform of playground have gaps exceeding 1/2".

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302.3

Item #:

9

Doors & Gates



Deficiency:

Door or gate latch does not allow for single handed operation

Notes:

Latch slips, making it hard to open

Potential Solution:

Replace door hardware and adjust door

Code:

404

Item #:

10

Doors & Gates



Deficiency:

Door or gate is less than 32-inches wide.

Notes:

Gate catches on the ground makes it hard to open fully

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

404

Item #:

11

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Need to Verify

Notes:

Bags are mounted above 58 inches

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

None

Item #:

12

Other Feature



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Library not located along an accessible route + outside of reach range.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

A1

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Admissions and Concession Counters

Deficiency:

Too high

Measurement:

40"

Potential Solution:

Lower four external counters to 34"-36".

Item #:

A2

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Double Drinking Fountain - Exterior freestanding

Deficiency:

Low projecting fountain too low for wheel chair

Measurement:

24"/30"

Potential Solution:

Replace with ADA compliant hi-low unit

Item #:

A3

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Single Drinking Fountain with Bottle Filler -

Deficiency:

Mounting too low. Need high low fountain

Measurement:

36 3/8" knee space

Potential Solution:

Accept construction tolerance or raise 5/8" .

Item #:

A4

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Defibrillator

Deficiency:

Mounted too high

Measurement:

58" to door handle

Potential Solution:

Lower so handle is at 48"

Item #:

A5

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Lavatory sink alcove too narrow and/or too deep

Measurement:

36" deep x 30" deep

Potential Solution:

Add CMU masonry wall for 24" deep alcove; replace sink and mirror.

Item #:

A6

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Han dryer is a projecting hazard and conflicting with the lavatory sink alcove

Measurement:

7" projection

Potential Solution:

Replace with 4" deep hand dryer and relocate

Item #:

A7

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Bottom edge of mirror reflecting surface too high

Measurement:

41.5"

Potential Solution:

Lower to 40"

Item #:

A8

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Shower stall configuration is not compliant (size, plumbing & grab bars)

Measurement:

59" length

Potential Solution:

Relocate shower head/controls, replace grab bars, or remodel and add CMU walls to create a 36" x 36" stall.

Item #:

A9

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Toilet too far from sidewall

Measurement:

19.5"

Potential Solution:

Relocate to 16-18" from sidewall.

Item #:

A10

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Toilet seat too high

Measurement:

19.5"

Potential Solution:

Replace seat with lower profile seat to be at no more than 19" high.

Item #:

A11

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

No accessible changing bench

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Bench must be 20" x 42"; remodel to expand room.

Item #:

A12

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Family Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Towel/clothes hook is too high

Measurement:

64"

Potential Solution:

Add hook at no higher the 48"

Item #:
A13

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Hand dryer is a projecting hazard

Measurement:

7" projection

Potential Solution:

Replace with 4" deep hand dryer

Item #:
A14

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Waste can conflicting with the lavatory sink alcove

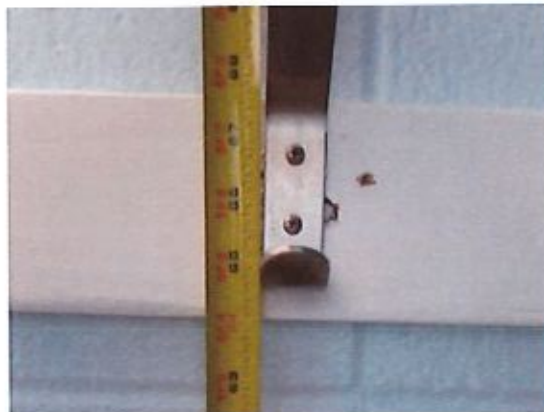
Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate to available floor space or consider replacing with a recessed unit.

Item #:
A15

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Towel/clothes hooks is too high

Measurement:

64"

Potential Solution:

Added some hook at no higher the 48"

Item #:
A16

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Bottom edge of mirror reflecting surface too high

Measurement:

42"

Potential Solution:

Lower at least one to 40"

Item #:

A17

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Accessible Toilet is too far from sidewall

Measurement:

19.5"

Potential Solution:

Relocate to 16-18" from sidewall.

Item #:

A18

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Lockers placed in the entry passageway, users blocking the accessible route and disabled users

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate lockers.

Item #:

A19

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Privacy changing stall is lacking an accessible bench and lacking space to accommodate

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Provide 20"x42" bench and reconfigure

Item #:

A20

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Women's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Accessible shower stall is 4" too deep and the shower control wall is on the back wall vs the side

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate shower/controls; add a 4" masonry back wall with new grab bars.

Item #:
A21

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Hand dryer is a projecting hazard

Measurement:

7" projection

Potential Solution:

Replace with 4" deep hand dryer

Item #:
A22

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Waste can conflicting with the lavatory sink alcove

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate to available floor space or consider replacing with a recessed unit.

Item #:
A23

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Towel/clothes hooks is too high

Measurement:

64"

Potential Solution:

Add some hook at no higher the 48"

Item #:
A24

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Bottom edge of mirror reflecting surface too high

Measurement:

41.5"

Potential Solution:

Lower at least one to 40"

Item #:

A25

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Accessible urinal has flush controls higher than 44" and rim higher than 17".

Measurement:

47"/18"

Potential Solution:

Lower urinal 1" and add sensed hands-free flush valve.

Item #:

A26

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Accessible toilet is too far from sidewall

Measurement:

19.5"

Potential Solution:

Relocate to 16-18" from sidewall

Item #:

A27

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Lockers placed in the entry passageway, users blocking the accessible route and disabled users

Measurement:

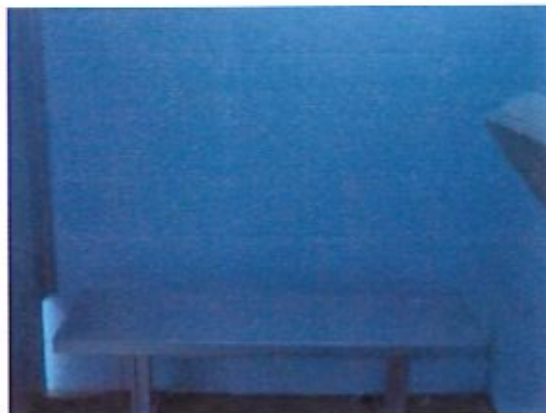
Potential Solution:

Relocate lockers.

Item #:

A28

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Privacy changing stall is lacking an accessible bench and lacking space to accommodate

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Provide 20"x42" bench and reconfigure

Item #:

A29

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Bath
House



Feature Type:

Men's Toilet/Shower/Changing

Deficiency:

Accessible shower stall is 4" too deep and the shower control wall is on the back wall vs the side

Measurement:

40"

Potential Solution:

Relocate controls/shower and add a 4" masonry back wall with new grab bars.

Item #:

A30

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Pool



Feature Type:

Pool Deck Slope

Deficiency:

Areas along the south side of the pool and to the east were observed to be greater than 1/20.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Pool deck may need to be remodeled for accessibility.

Item #:

A31

Aquatic Center
& Swimming
Pool - Pool



Feature Type:

Pool Access

Deficiency:

Existing pool ramp is lacking a second hand rail for accessibility; (2) means of access required.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Provide a lift or retrofit pool to upgrade the in-pool ramp.



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Park

Horsetrack Meadows ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota



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40'

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Item #:

1

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

Bench is not located along an accessible route and it does not have an adjacent companion space.

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:

2

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has gaps that exceed 1/2-inch

Notes:

Gap in sidewalk exceeds 1/2" width.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302.3

Item #:

3

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Trash receptacle not located along accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Relocate to accessible route

Code:

None

Item #:

4

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground surfacing does not meet ASTM F1951-99

Notes:

Playground surfacing is pea gravel—not stable, firm, or slip-resistant.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace playground surfacing.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

5

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to informational sign.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

6

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Picnic table is not ADA compliant.

Potential Solution:

Replace with accessible type

Code:

None

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Park

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota

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Item #:

1

Automobile
Parking



Deficiency:

Accessible parking signage missing or improper

Notes:

No painted stall markings.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace with compliant signage

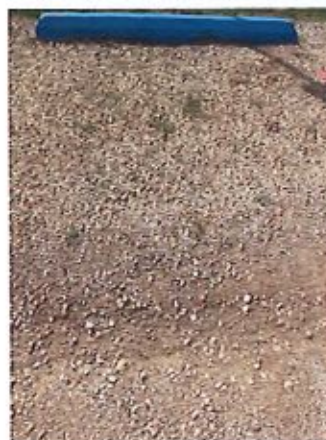
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208, 502.2-3

Item #:

2

Automobile
Parking



Deficiency:

Accessible route is not firm, stable, and slip-resistant

Notes:

Gravel is washed out in some places; not an accessible surfacing type.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (firm, stable, slip-resistant)

Code:

206, 302.1

Item #:

3

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route from parking lot to baseball field.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

4

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

No companion space provided near bench + bench is not located along an accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:

5

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Trash receptacle not located along an accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

None

Item #:

6

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to team seating area.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

7

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to volleyball and basketball court(s).

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

8

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route cross-slope exceeds 1:48 (2 percent)

Notes:

Cross-slope of sidewalk from shelter to playground exceeds 2%.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 502.4

Item #:

9

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route slope exceeds 1:20 (5 percent) without handrails

Notes:

Sidewalk slope from shelter to playground exceeds 5%.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 403

Item #:

10

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to soccer fields.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

11

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Lip from sidewalk to playground surfacing exceeds 1/4".

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302

Item #:

12

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Gap between sidewalk and access ramp is greater than 1/4".

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

206, 302

Item #:

13

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground does not have proper ratio of elevated play to ground play components

Notes:

Playground does not have any apparent ground play elements.

Potential Solution:

Add ground play elements.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

14

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Sidewalk transition to gravel digger area has lip around entire edge exceeding 1/4".

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302

Item #:

15

Routes

NO PHOTO AVAILABLE

Deficiency:

Accessible route slope exceeds 1:20 (5 percent) without handrails

Notes:

Sidewalk into park from sidewalk along street has a slope exceeding 5% without handrails.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 403

Item #:

16

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route cross-slope exceeds 1:48 (2 percent)

Notes:

Sidewalk from street to park has a cross-slope exceeding 2%.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 502.4

Item #:
17

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

No companion seating area adjacent to bench

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:
A1

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Route from parking lot

Deficiency:

Portion of sidewalk too steep, beyond 1:20 slope

Measurement:

1.25:20 slope

Potential Solution:

Replace a portion of sidewalk, add curb ramp at

Item #:
A2

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Route to Building parking lot & playground

Deficiency:

Radias portion of south sidewalk has cross slope in excess of 1/50

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Replace a portion of sidewalk to address

Item #:
A3

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Exterior Features

Deficiency:

Exterior counters are too high and above 34/36"

Measurement:

40"

Potential Solution:

Lower one section on each side of the building

Item #:

A4

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Exterior Features

Deficiency:

Drinking fountain at each side are too high for wheelchairs and does not provide Hi/Low

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Lower one unit and install signage for other side.

Item #:

A5

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Restroom Entrance Doors

Deficiency:

Ubrupt slab transition at doors

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add threshold / transition with 1/2 max slope

Item #:

A6

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Restroom Entrance Doors

Deficiency:

Missing wall mounted compliant room signs

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Install signs on wall on latch side of the door

Item #:

A7

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Lacking and accessible urinal, with flush controls higher than 44" and rim higher than 17".

Measurement:

51"/24"

Potential Solution:

Lower one urinal and add sensed hands-free flush valve.

Item #:
A8

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Accessible toilet too far from side wall; flush handle is on wrong side.

Measurement:

28"

Potential Solution:

Replace and locate to 16-18" from sidewall.

Item #:
A9

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Toilet paper dispenser mis-located

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate

Item #:
A10

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Waste can conflicts with clear floor space for door.

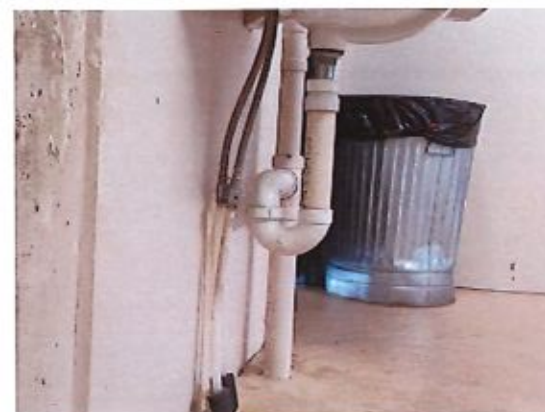
Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate to available floor space or replace with a wall-hung semi-recessed unit.

Item #:
A11

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Missing lavatory water and drain lines

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add pipe insulation

Item #:

A12

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Accessible toilet too far from sidewall

Measurement:

28"

Potential Solution:

Replace and locate to 16-18" from sidewall.

Item #:

A13

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Toilet paper dispenser mis-located

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate

Item #:

A14

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Waste can conflicts with clear floor space for door.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Relocate to available floor space or replace with a wall-hung semi-recessed unit.

Item #:

A15

Restroom &
Shelter



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Missing lavatory water and drain lines

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add pipe insulation



PROJECT: STONEY POINT PARK
DATE: 8/17/2022
DRAWN BY: J. HARRIS
CHECKED BY: J. HARRIS
APPROVED BY: J. HARRIS
PROJECT LOCATION: STONEY POINT PARK, WINONA COUNTY, MINNESOTA
PROJECT NUMBER: 2022-001



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Legend

Park

Stoney Point

ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota

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Item #:

1

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route slope exceeds 1:20 (5 percent) without handrails

Notes:

Slope of entry sidewalk exceeds 5% without handrails.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 403

Item #:

2

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route slope exceeds 1:20 (5 percent) without handrails

Notes:

Slope of sidewalk exceeds 5% without handrails.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (slope)

Code:

206, 403

Item #:

3

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Also, not an accessible route

Potential Solution:

Replace with accessible type

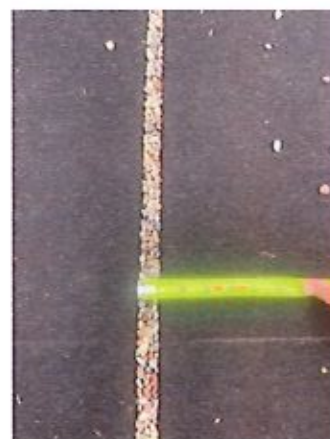
Code:

206

Item #:

4

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route has gaps that exceed 1/2-inch

Notes:

Gap in access mat for play structure has gaps exceeding 1/2" in multiple places.

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302.3

Item #:

5

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground surfacing does not meet ASTM F1951-99

Notes:

Pea Gravel

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace playground surfacing.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

6

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground does not have proper ratio of elevated play to ground play components

Notes:

No ground play elements; swings removed.

Potential Solution:

Add ground play elements.

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

7

Other Feature



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to library.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

1

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

(3) picnic tables not located on accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Relocate to accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

2

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Accessible route has lips that exceed 1/4-inch

Notes:

Sidewalk transition to playground mulch has lip exceeding 1/4".

Potential Solution:

Modify or replace route (lip or gap)

Code:

206, 302

Item #:

3

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground does not have a proper transfer system

Notes:

Playground surfacing is not firm or slip-resistant + transfer platform is too high.

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

4

Other Feature



Deficiency:

Accessible type not provided

Notes:

Story walk not along an accessible route + height of pages and font size may be difficult to read

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

None

Item #:

5

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to concrete pad (former skate park).

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

6

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

No companion space provided adjacent to bench.

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:

7

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

No companion space adjacent to bench + bench is not located along an accessible route.

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:

8

Other Feature



Deficiency:

Accessible route cross-slope exceeds 1:48 (2 percent)

Notes:

Relocate portable restroom

Potential Solution:

Relocate to accessible route

Code:

206, 502.4

Item #:

9

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route between path and dugouts.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

10

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

Notes:

No companion space provided next to benches + no accessible route to spectator seating.

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206

Item #:

11

Exterior
Features



Deficiency:

Adjacent clear space (30-inch wide x 48-inch deep) is not provided

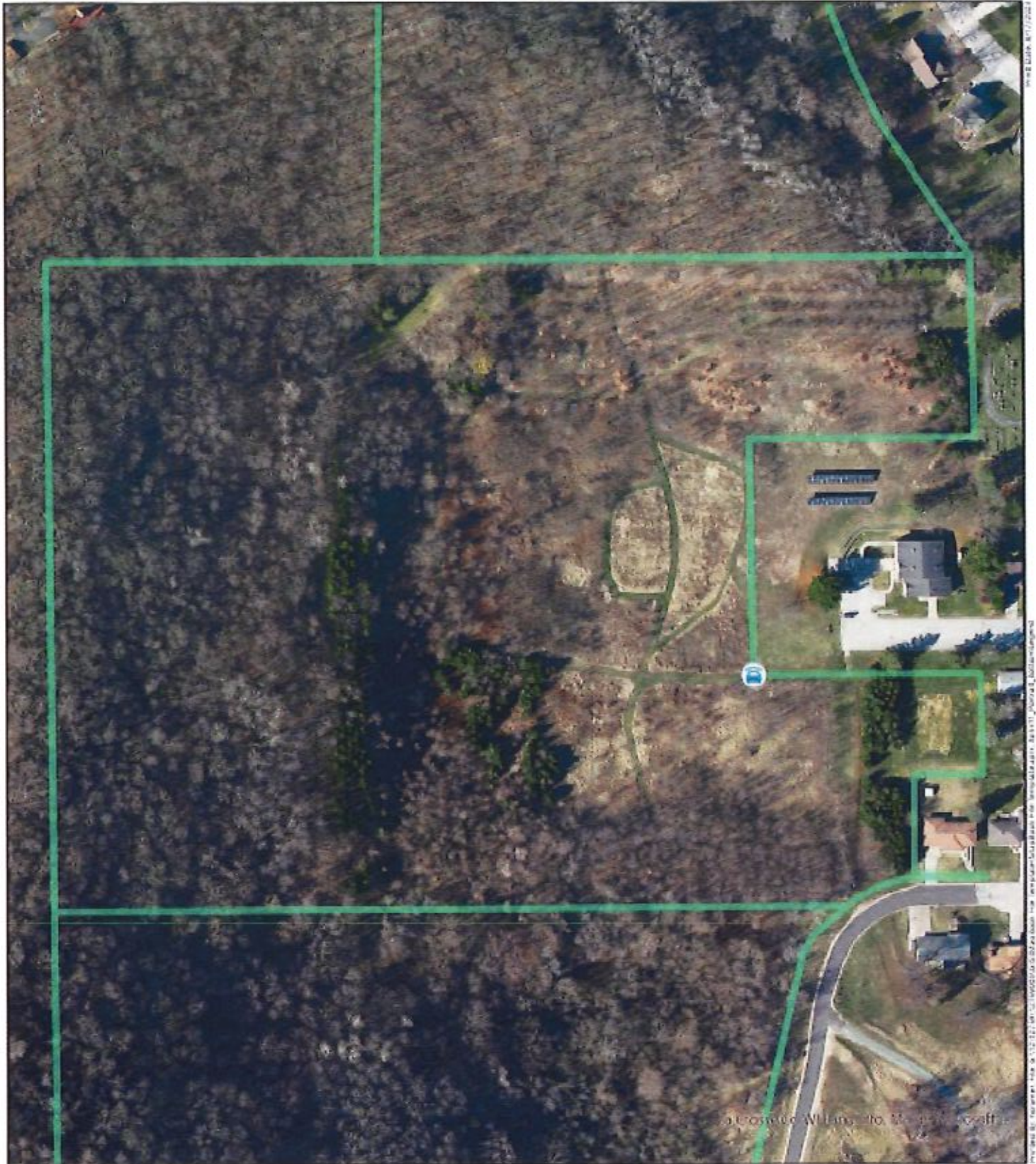
Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add companion seating area (min 30in x 48in).

Code:

206



City of La Crescent



Automobile Parking



Legend

Park

Vetsch Park ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota



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Item #:

1

Automobile
Parking



Deficiency:

Accessible parking missing or improperly located

Notes:

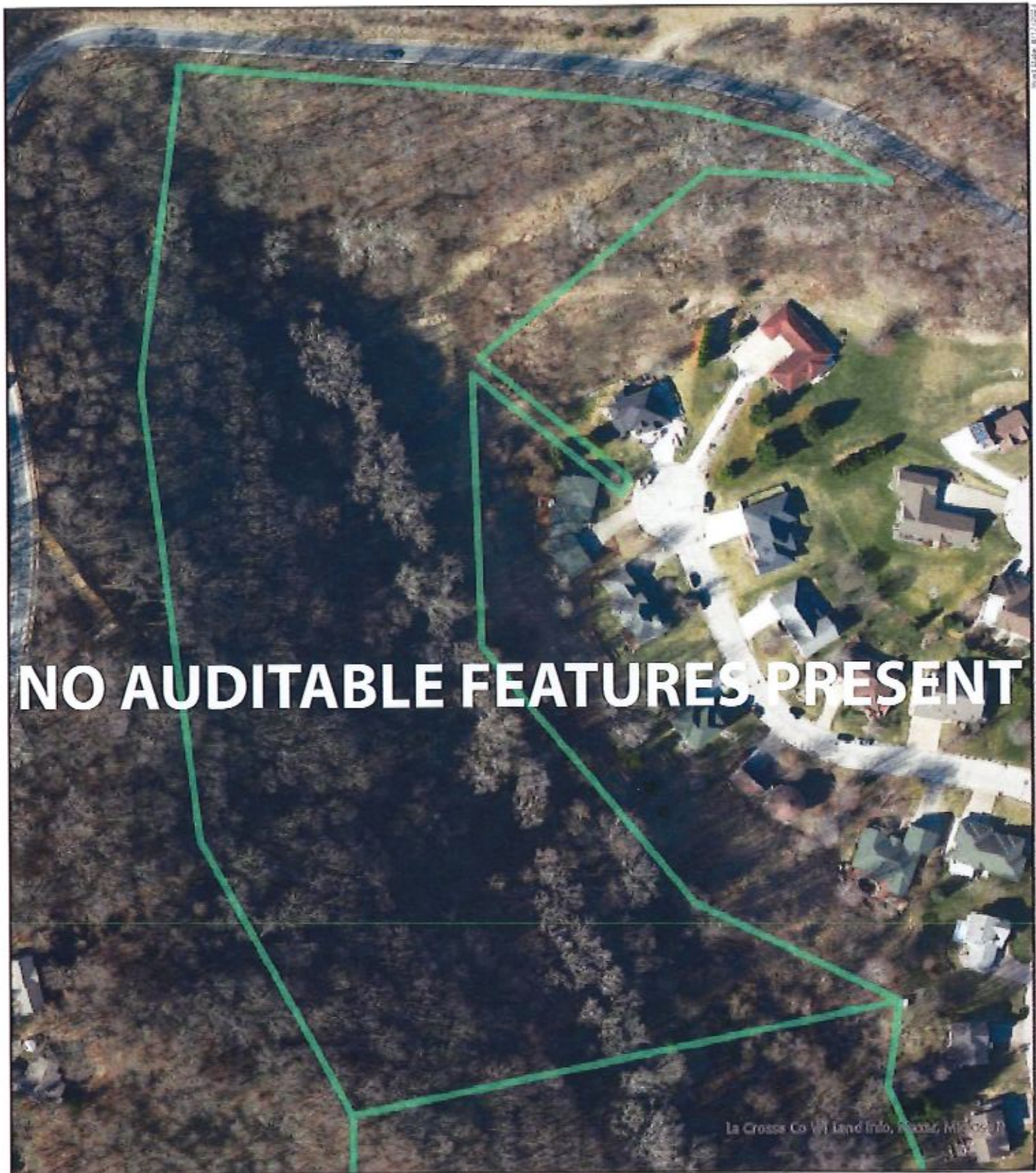
No accessible parking stall.

Potential Solution:

Add a minimum of one van accessible parking stall

Code:

208.2-3



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Legend

 Park

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ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
Winona County, Minnesota



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Project: Wieser Memorial Park ADA Facility Audit
 Date: 11/17/2022
 Drawn By: [Name]
 Scale: 1 inch = 100 feet



City of La Crescent

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- Automobile Parking
- Buildings & Structures
- Other Feature
- Play Equipment

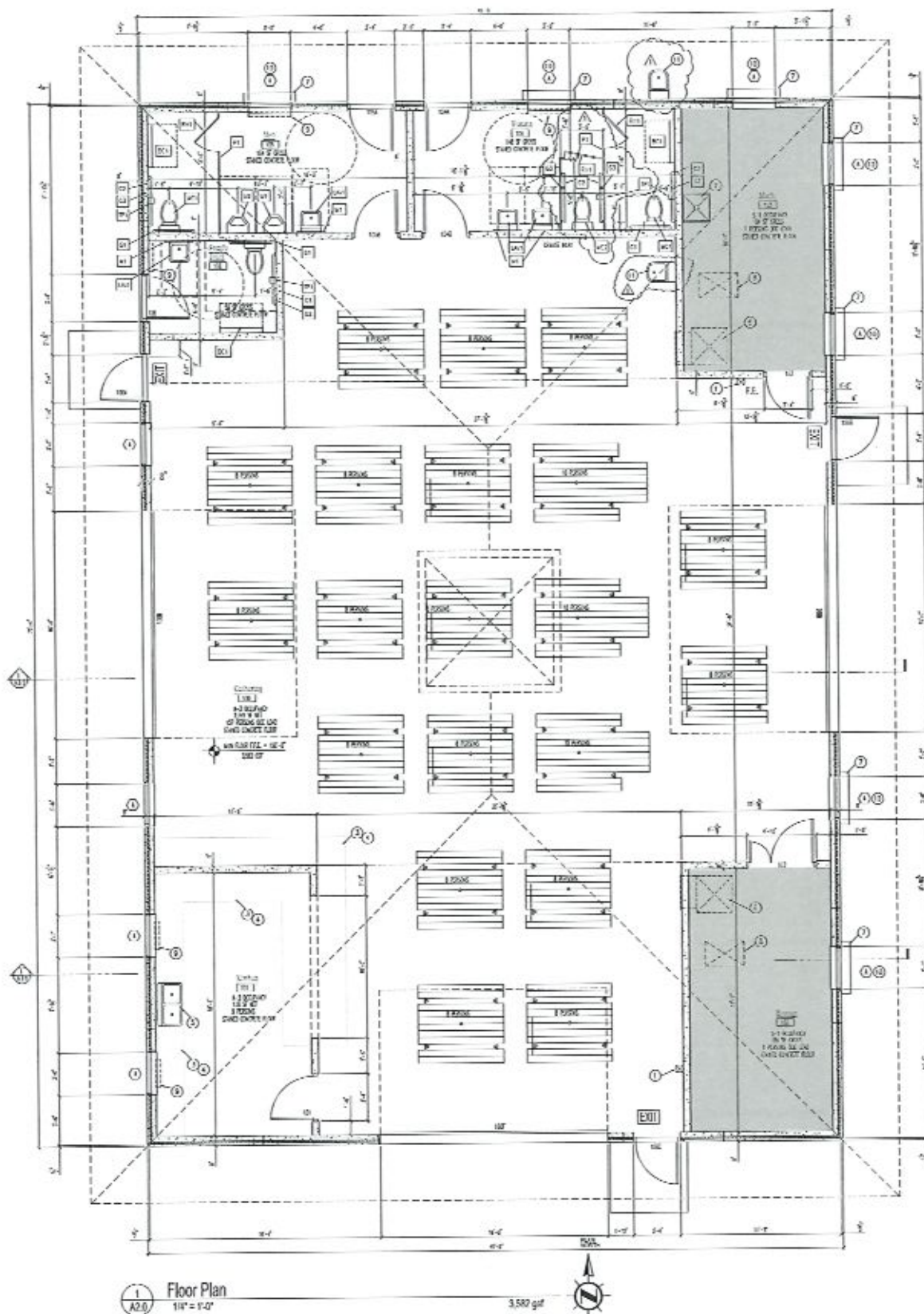
- Routes
- Park



Wieser Memorial Park ADA Facility Audit

City of La Crescent
 Winona County, Minnesota
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WIESER MEMORIAL PARK SHELTER



Note: grey boxes on the plan denote areas that were not reviewed/are not available to the public

Item #:

1

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

No accessible route to playground equipment.

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

2

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

3

Routes



Deficiency:

Accessible route missing

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Add accessible route

Code:

206.2.1

Item #:

4

Play Equipment



Deficiency:

Playground does not have a proper transfer system

Notes:

Potential Solution:

Modify or Replace

Code:

206, 240, 1008

Item #:

A1

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Exterior Features

Deficiency:

No accessible picnic tables provided.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Provide at least one accessible picnic table.

Item #:

A2

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Exterior

Deficiency:

Accessible restroom signs mounted on the doors in (3) different locations.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Accessible signs to be mounted on the wall adjacent to latch side of door; relocate.

Item #:

A3

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Exterior

Deficiency:

Wall-mounted decorative flower boxes project more than 4" with a bottom edge above 27" at the perimeter sidewalk areas creating an ADA hazard.

Measurement:

29" to bottom edge

Potential Solution:

Removal, lowering boxes, adding a rail to the lower bottom edge, or adding an extension skirt.

Item #:

A4

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Exterior

Deficiency:

Only a single low wheelchair-accessible drinking fountain is provided.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add a high/low fountain or a wall-mounted freestanding fountain nearby.

Item #:

A5

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Interior

Deficiency:

Only a single low wheelchair-accessible interior drinking fountain is provided.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add a cup dispenser.

Item #:

A6

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Men's Restroom

Deficiency:

Interior door clear maneuvering space at latch side of door is too small (less than 18").

Measurement:

13" (17" to the sink)

Potential Solution:

Add automatic door opener.

Item #:

A7

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Exterior door clear maneuvering space at latch side of door is too small (less than 18").

Measurement:

11"

Potential Solution:

Relocate flower box or add automatic door opener.

Item #:

A8

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

Interior door clear maneuvering space at latch side of door is too small (less than 18").

Measurement:

16"

Potential Solution:

Add automatic door opener.

Item #:

A9

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Women's Restroom

Deficiency:

The accessible toilet stall door requires a 32" clear opening.

Measurement:

31"

Potential Solution:

Rework door hardware and/or rework door and adjacent partitions.

Item #:

A10

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Kitchen

Deficiency:

Serving counter projection into the gathering room creates a hazard at its outside corner.

Measurement:

Potential Solution:

Add an under-counter skirt extension--at least at the outside corner.

Item #:

A11

Park Pavilion



Feature Type:

Kitchen

Deficiency:

Bottom of sink below 27" and exposed piping is not insulated.

Measurement:

26"

Potential Solution:

Replace sink or add a small second sink and insulate water/drain lines.



CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MN

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

PUBLIC NOTICE



Introduction

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), each agency is required to publish its responsibilities regarding progress made toward becoming compliant with ADA guidelines. This public notice is outlined below.

Public Notice

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the ADA, the City of La Crescent will not discriminate against qualified individuals based on disability in City services, programs, or activities.

Employment

The City of La Crescent does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations laid out by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title I of the ADA.

Effective Communication

The City of La Crescent will, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the City's programs, services, and activities. These may include qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communication accessible to people who have speech, hearing, and/or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures

The City of La Crescent will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all City programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in City offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or modifications to policies or procedures to participate in a City program, service, or activity should contact the ADA coordinator as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before a scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the City to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

The City will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids, services, or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.



Introduction

If users of the City of La Crescent's facilities and services believe that the City has not provided reasonable accommodation for users with disabilities, they have the right to file a grievance. In accordance with 28 CFR 35.107(b), the City has developed a grievance procedure for the purpose of the prompt and equitable resolution of citizens' complaints, concerns, comments, and other grievances.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Grievance Procedure

This grievance procedure was established to meet the requirements of the ADA. It may be used by anyone who wishes to file a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of disability in the provision of services, activities, programs, or benefits by the City of La Crescent.

The complaint should be in writing and contain information about the alleged discrimination such as the location, date, and description of the problem, as well as the name, address, phone number, and email address of the complainant. Alternative means of filing complaints, such as personal interviews or a tape recording of the complaint, will be made available for persons with disabilities upon request.

The complaint should be submitted as soon as possible, preferably within 60 calendar days of the alleged violation to the designated ADA Coordinator:

Name: Tyler Benish

Address: City of La Crescent, Attention ADA Coordinator

315 Main Street

La Crescent, MN 55947

Phone: (507) 895-4971

Email: tbenish@cityoflacscent-mn.gov

Within 15 calendar days after receipt of the complaint, the ADA coordinator will meet with the complainant to discuss the complaint and possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days of the meeting, the ADA coordinator will respond in writing, and where appropriate, in a format that is accessible to the complainant, such as large print, Braille, or audio tape. The response will explain the position of the City of La Crescent and offer options for substantive resolution of the complaint.

If the response by the ADA coordinator does not satisfactorily resolve the issue, the complainant may appeal the decision within 15 calendar days after receipt of the response to the U.S. Department of Justice or another appropriate state or federal agency.

Any written complaints and responses will be retained by the City of La Crescent for at least three years.

**CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MN
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)
ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM**

Instructions: Please complete this form in its entirety at least seven (7) days prior to the event so that the City can make appropriate accommodations and return to:

Mail to: City of La Crescent
Attention ADA Coordinator,
315 Main Street
La Crescent, MN 55947

Email: tbenish@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov
Phone: (507) 895-2037
Fax: (507) 895-8694

If you have any questions regarding this form, please contact interim ADA Coordinator, Tyler Benish, by phone at (507) 895-2037 or by email at tbenish@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov.

Contact Information:

Name:
Address:
Telephone Number(s):
Email:

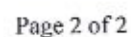
Please check a corresponding box below for the park and/or building for which you are requesting an accommodation:

☐	Abnet Field	520 S 14 th Street
☐	La Crescent Community Arena	520 S 14 th Street
☐	Crescent Valley Park	Valley Lane
☐	Frank J. Kistler Memorial Park	608 S 7 th Street
☐	John S. Harris Park	N Elm Street
☐	Old Hickory Park	1200 Jonathan Lane
☐	Valley South Park	Jupiter Street
☐	Veteran's Park	595 Veterans Parkway
☐	Vetsch Park	722 N 2 nd Street
☐	Wieser Memorial Park	1811 County Road 6
☐	Sidewalk	
☐	Other	



Accommodation(s) Request: Please list the accommodation(s) requested and reason for your request in the area below.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT

#3

Revision: 20191104

Data Date: March 20, 2024

PROJECT CONTACT

Project Name: Forest and Prairie Habitat Improvement
Organization Name: City of La Crescent
Organization Type: Government
Mailing Address 1: 315 Main Street
Mailing Address 2: N/A
City, State ZIP Code: La crescent, MN 55947

Project Manager: JASON D LUDWIGSON
Title: Sustainability Coordonator
Phone: 507-313-9633
Email: jludwigson@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Sites / Location

County Name: Houston
Project Site Name: Bluffland Parks and Pine Creek
Total Project Sites: 2
Total Project Acres: 16

Habitat

Primary Type: Forest
Additional Types: Prairie

Land Ownership

Primary Land Ownership: Local Government
Additional Land Ownerships: (N/A)

Activities

Primary Activity: Enhancement
Additional Activities: (N/A)

PROJECT FUNDING SUMMARY

Grant Type: (N/A)
Grant Request Level: (N/A)

Total Grant Amount Requested:	\$36,430
Total Match Amount Pledged:	\$5,000
Additional Funding Amount:	\$3,000
Total Project Cost:	\$44,430

PROJECT SUMMARY

The Stoney Point property was acquired by the City of La Crescent in 2014. The city has developed the Stoney Point property to include an extensive network of public hiking trails. Since taking ownership of the property the city has been working on efforts to tackle small patches of invasive species in the park. These have included round leaf bittersweet and buckthorn. Workdays have included efforts by volunteer crews and city staff. Unfortunately, the lower sections of the bluff have more extensive woody invasive species. Historical imagery from the 1950's shows that the lower sections of the Stoney Point property were an apple orchard. At some point the orchard was removed from its existing area in Stoney Point. Once the orchard was removed the site exploded with invasive woody plants such as common buckthorn (*rhamnus cathartica* L.) glossy buckthorn (*frangula alnus* Mill.) and amur honeysuckle (*lonicera maackii* (Rapr.) Herder). The project site has large swaths of honeysuckle and round leaf bittersweet. The city consulted with the local DNR forester Val Green for best practices to remove this invasive woody vegetation. Forestry mowing was suggested as the most cost-effective method to remove the woody vegetation. The forestry mowing would be accompanied by a two-to-three-year effort to use systemic herbicides targeted to the woody invasive plants using foliage sprays. Once woody invasive areas are eradicated the city would plant a diverse selection of native hardwood species on this site to reestablish the forest. Those native hardwood species include hackberry, hickory, red oak, sugar maple, and white oak. Each of the trees planted would be covered by rigid tree protector tubes. The tree plantings would be done by volunteers and the city Sustainability Coordinator.

The other site in the application is the Horse Track Meadows Pine Creek Property. The 7.9-acre area was deeded to the city as a part of the Horse Track Meadows development. The current site is dominated by reed canary grass and smooth brome.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT

PROBLEM STATEMENT (Continued)

Forestry Mowing - mow and mulch invasive brush, invasive vines, and woody debris.
Hand-cutting - areas too steep to mow and mulch hand-cutting and spraying of stumps with appropriate herbicide at the time of cutting. Move debris from hand cut areas so it can be mulched.
Mulching - use of forestry mower to mulch remaining brush, branches from hand-cutting.
Follow-Up Work- Follow up #1 (year #2) monitor site to determine best time for follow up backpack foliar herbicide application on resprouting woody invasives. Perform applications as needed to obtain full coverage of the site.
Follow up #2 (year #3) monitor site to determine best time for follow up backpack foliar herbicide application on resprouting woody invasives. Perform applications as needed to obtain full coverage of the site.
Tree Planting - The tree plantings would be done by volunteers and the city Sustainability Coordinator. Each of the trees planted would be covered by rigid tree protector tubes. the species planted would be hackberry, hickory, red oak, sugar maple, and white oak.
Interseeding - The city would complete interseeding of the grass on the Horse Track Meadows Pine Creek Property with a short grass prairie mix. The mix would be interseeded using a native seed drill.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The City of La Crescent does not have funds to complete this project. The project price tag is very high for a small city like La Crescent. The forestry mowing project would be the first of its kind in La Crescent. The city does not have forestry mowing equipment. We have volunteers who can assist with small areas of invasive species removal, but the project area is much too large and densely vegetated to enable volunteers to successfully tackle the woody invasive problem. If not funded the woody invasive species will continue to propagate in the lower portions of the Stoney Point property. The woody invasive species will likely expand and start to cover healthier areas of the Stony Point Forest.

The other site in the application is the Horse Track Meadows Pine Creek Property. The 7.9-acre property would continue to be a very monoculture site. The current site is dominated by reed canary grass and smooth brome. Traditionally this project would be funded by general funds from the city budget. These funds are not available in the city budget.

METHODS

(N/A)

EXPERIENCE / ABILITIES

(N/A)

PROJECT TIMELINE

Time Frame	Goal
Fall 2024	Forest Mowing Stoney Point
Spring 2025	Prairie Interseeding
Fall 2025 and 2026	Follow up hand-cutting and herbicide treatment
Spring 2026 and 2027	Planting forest seedlings

Estimated Project Completion Date: 2027-06-01

PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Describe the degree of collaboration and local support for this project.

(N/A)

2. Describe any urgency associated with this project.

(N/A)

3. Discuss if there is full funding secured for this project, the sources of that funding and if CPL Grant funds will supplement or supplant existing funding.

(N/A)

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4. Describe public access at project site for hunting and fishing, identifying all open seasons.

(N/A)

5. Discuss use of native vegetation *(if applicable)*.

(N/A)

6. Discuss your budget and why it is cost effective.

(N/A)

7. Provide information on how your organization encourages a local conservation culture. This includes your organization's history of promoting conservation in the local area, visibility of work to the public and any activities and outreach your organization has completed in the local area.

(N/A)

BUDGET INFORMATION

Organization's Fiscal Contact Information

Name: JASON D LUDWIGSON
Title: Sustainability Coordinator
Email: jludwigson@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov
Phone: 507-313-9633

Street Address 1: 175 Eagles Bluff Road
Street Address 2: N/A
City, State ZIP Code: La crescent, MN 55947

Budget Details

Personnel

Name	Title / Work to be completed	Amount	Grant/Match	In-kind/Cash
Jason Ludwigson	Sustainability Coordinator	\$1,000	Grant	(N/A)
Jason Ludwigson	Tree Planting	\$5,000	Match	In-Kind

Professional Services

Professional Name	Description of Services	Amount	Grant/Match	In-kind/Cash
Ku-le Region Forestry Inc	Brush Removal	\$12,000	Grant	(N/A)

Equipment/Tools/Supplies

Item	Purpose	Amount	Grant/Match	In-kind/Cash
Follow up herbicide spraying	Brush Removal	\$8,000	Grant	(N/A)
Hackberry Seedlings	Forest enhancement	\$490	Grant	(N/A)
Hand-cutting	Brush Removal	\$6,000	Grant	(N/A)
Hickory Seedlings	Forest enhancement	\$375	Grant	(N/A)
Mulch brush	Brush Removal	\$3,870	Grant	(N/A)
Prairie Seed Mix	Intersseeding	\$1,980	Grant	(N/A)
Red Oak Seedlings	Forest enhancement	\$375	Grant	(N/A)
Rigid Seedling Protector Tubes	Seedling protection	\$1,590	Grant	(N/A)
Sugar Maple Seedlings	Forest enhancement	\$375	Grant	(N/A)
White Oak Seedlings	Forest enhancement	\$375	Grant	(N/A)

Additional Funding

Additional Funding Amount: \$3,000

Budget Overview

Item Type	Grant	Match	Total
Personnel	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$6,000

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BUDGET INFORMATION (Continued)

Budget Overview (Continued)

Item Type	Grant	Match	Total
Contracts	-	-	-
Fee Acquisition with PILT	-	-	-
Fee Acquisition without PILT	-	-	-
Easement Acquisition	-	-	-
Easement Stewardship	-	-	-
Travel (in-state)	-	-	-
Professional Services	\$12,000	-	\$12,000
DNR Land Acquisition Cost	-	-	-
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	\$23,430	-	\$23,430
Additional Budget Items	-	-	-
Totals:	\$36,430	\$5,000	\$41,430

SITE INFORMATION

You may group your project sites together as long as land ownership, activity and habitat information is the same for the land manager.

Land Manager

Name: Tyler Benish
Organization: City of La Crescent
Title: Public Works Director

Phone: 507-895-4627
Email: tbenish@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov

Site Information

Habitat: Forest **Activity:** Enhancement **Land Ownership:** Local Government
(1) Site Name: Stoney Point Open to Public Hunting? No
DOW Lake #: (N/A) Open to Public Fishing? No
Acres: 8
PLS Section: Township - (N/A), Range - (N/A), Section - (N/A)

Site Information

Habitat: Prairie **Activity:** Enhancement **Land Ownership:** Local Government
(1) Site Name: Horse Track Meadows Pine Creek Property Open to Public Hunting? No
DOW Lake #: (N/A) Open to Public Fishing? No
Acres: 8
PLS Section: Township - 104, Range - 4W, Section - 9

NATURAL HERITAGE DATABASE REVIEW

Natural Heritage elements were found within my project site(s): Yes

Natural Heritage Sites and Managers: (N/A)

Natural Heritage Elements: (N/A)

Natural Heritage Mitigation: Vertebrate Animal, Invertebrate Animal, Vascular Plant, Native Plant Community (NPC). The forestry mowing will be done in the fall when more of these animals and plants are dormant. In order to restore the site some impacts on these plant and animal communities are inevitable. Interseeding the prairie site should have minimal impact on the animal and plant species.

ATTACHMENTS

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ATTACHMENTS (Continued)

Additional Documentation

Attach additional documentation as applicable using the appropriate categories below. If you exceed the size limit while uploading, contact CPL Grant staff to discuss your options.

Letter of Support

File Name	Description
City_of_La_Crescent_Letter_of_Support.pdf	Farm Bill Biologist Letter of Support
lac_CPL_memo_(1).pdf	MN DNR Forester Letter of Support

Photo

File Name	Description
IMG_20240311_132234259_HDR.jpg	Existing woody invasives
IMG_20240311_132247649.jpg	Existing woody invasives
IMG_20240311_132329456.jpg	Existing woody invasives
IMG_20240311_132350347.jpg	Existing woody invasives

Restoration Plan

File Name	Description
CityofLaCrescent_Estimate_20240308_(1).pdf	Project restoration plan Ku-le Region Forestry

Engineering/Survey/Design Plan

File Name	Description
Project_Site_Map_Forestry_Mowing.pdf	Site Map Forestry Mowing
Project_Site_Map_Prairie_Interseeding.pdf	Site Map Prairie Interseeding

Easement Information

File Name	Description
SKM_C36818080207550_-_Norquist_Easement_Doc..pdf	(N/A)

FINAL APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- P I certify that I have read the Conservation Partners Legacy Grants Program Request for Proposal, Program Manual and other program documents, and have discussed this project with the appropriate public land manager, or private landowner and easement holder.
- P I certify I am authorized to apply for and manage these grant and match funds, and the project work by the organization or agency listed below. I certify this organization to have the financial capability to complete this project and that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations.
- P I certify that all of the information contained in this application is correct as of the time of the submission. If anything should change, I will contact CPL Grant staff immediately to make corrections.
- P I certify that if funded I will give consideration to and make timely written contact to Minnesota Conservation Corps or its successor for consideration of possible use of their services to contract for restoration and enhancement services. I will provide CPL Grant staff a copy of that written contact within 10 days after the execution of my grant, should I be awarded.

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FINAL APPLICATION SUBMISSION *(Continued)*

P I certify that I am aware at least one Land Manager Review and Approval form is required for every application and at least one Public Waters Contact form is required for all public waters work. I am aware I must submit all completed forms by uploading them into this application. I have attached the required type and number of forms as necessary for this project.

P I am aware that by typing my name in the box below, I am applying my signature to this online document.

Signature: Jason Ludwigson

Organization / Agency: City of La Crescent

Title: Sustainability Coordinator

Date Signed: March 14, 2024

(CPL Grant Application ID = 2389)

May 1, 2024

Bill Waller

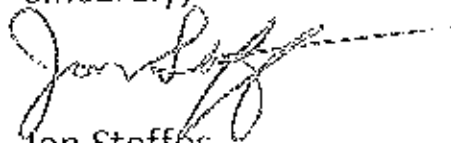
I would like to thank you, the Park and Recreation Commission, the City Council, and all the staff at La Crescent City Hall for the support you have given the Summer Recreation Programs over the past 30+ years.

This will be my last summer working for the City of La Crescent. I am very excited for some opportunities to travel, write some books, and perhaps catch some fish.

I have sincerely enjoyed working for the City of La Crescent and will always cherish the relationships that I have made. My family views the pool as my second home and I am very proud to have been a part of many projects and endeavors that have helped make La Crescent such a fabulous place to live.

I can't thank you enough for allowing me to be a part of your City Hall family.

Sincerely,



Jon Steffes

Wagon Wheel Bridge

July 12, 2023 12:00 AM - May 8, 2024 12:51 PM

