

CITY-OWNED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

The Committee recommends that the modifications, as presented by the Community Facilities Director, be reviewed by staff and, if necessary, in consultation with other personnel familiar with ADA regulations to determine if the City is approaching accessibility in the most cost effective manner. The Committee further recommends that the City explore other funding sources to assist with the costs associated with providing accessibility.

Following is the Committee's response to Mr. Lilje's recommendations for modifications:

Benton Avenue Cemetery - Agree, no modifications needed. Provide proper signage.

Cherry Hill Cemetery - When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Stewart Homes Park - Seek funding from Helena Housing Authority. The Committee recommends this park as high priority for modifications suggested. Provide proper signage.

Wesleyan Park - Provide curb cut as recommended. When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Waukesha Park - Provide curb cuts. Explore the possibility of providing raised garden beds.

Robinson Park - When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Clinton Park - Provide curb cuts. Provide proper signage.

Northwest Park - When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Lincoln Park - Concur with Mr. Lilje's recommendation that the responsibility lies with the school district.

Beattie Park - Items listed should be covered under Parks M & O budget.

Pocha - Provide proper signage.

Heritage/Pioneer Park - High priority for modifications for accessibility due to recent influx of Head Start children immediately adjacent to Park. Provide proper signage. Explore possibility of funding from Head Start program. Explore recommendation for replacement of sand with a resilient surface.

Cunningham Park - Concur with recommendations. Provide proper signage.

Memorial Park - Concur with high priority recommendation. Recommend that the City Manager direct staff to re-evaluate proposed modifications to determine if all are necessary and are to be done in the most cost effective manner. Staff should refer to recommended priority list for establishing accessibility. Explore alternate funding sources e.g., YMCA, U.S. West, Veterans Special Forces, etc. Provide proper signage.

Kindrick/Legion Field -Do paving only as necessary to provide adequate number of handicapped accessible parking spaces and accessible path of travel to the gate. Consult with persons with expertise in the field to determine if all suggest modifications are necessary or additional items are needed. Staff should refer to recommended priority list for establishing accessibility. Explore alternate funding sources e.g. U.S. West (public phone). Provide proper signage.

Constitution Park - No changes recommended.

Fire Tower Park - Provide proper signage.

Centennial Park - When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Hill/Women's Parks - Re-evaluate for accessibility. Is there an existing unobstructed path of travel? Provide accessible drinking fountains and picnic tables (at least one in each park). Determine costs of providing accessibility.

Batch Field - High priority given. Concur with recommendations. Explore alternate funding sources, e.g., U. S. West and city softball associations. Provide proper signage.

Civic Center - When improvements are scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Barney - High priority given. Concur with recommendations. Provide proper signage.

Lockey - High priority given to provide accessible restrooms and path of travel. Other improvements as scheduled, assure compliance with accessibility standards. Provide proper signage.

Mt. Helena Park - Concur with recommendation.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lynn Moon, Administrative Officer
FROM: Randy Lilje, Community Facilities Director
RE: Helena Parks System ADA Survey
DATE: January 6, 1992



Attached is a summary of projects and preliminary cost estimates to bring the parks system closer to ADA compliance. The parks are listed in the order of use and popularity as reflected by a city-wide survey performed by the Helena Citizens Council in 1990. I think this survey may be one of the criteria used to prioritize the projects by the ADA Advisory Committee.

It is my understanding that the city does not have to do all the projects at all the parks. If the city provides similar services at alternative accessible sites then that would be meeting the requirement.

However, there are some facilities and services provided in only one site. These include Memorial Park and Kindrick-Legion Field. Therefore, the city would need to perform all the projects listed at these sites. The committee will need to prioritize the other areas.

attach.

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HELENA PARKS SYSTEM
ADA COMPLIANCE COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY

Memorial	\$142,709
Mount Helena	0
Lockey	86,450
Civic Center	19,791
Barney	29,726
Batch	22,677
Hill/Women's	0
Centennial	200
Firetower	100
Constitution	?
Kindrick-Legion	115,511
Cunningham	0
Heritage/Pioneer	20,057
Leo Pocha	27,664
Beattie	4,389
Lincoln	29,260
Northwest	43,026
Clinton	9,111
Robinson	6,916
Waukesha	6,653
Stewart Home	47,215
Wesleyan	11,638
Cherry Hill	<u>13,832</u>
	\$636,925

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