

REPORT TO THE CITY OF HELENA

Section 32: Mount Helena Park

August 3, 2015

Legend of Abbreviations

aff...	Above the finished ground
AR...	Accessible Route
CIL...	Change in Level
CFS...	Clear Floor Space
CGS...	Clear Ground Space
EPC...	Elevated Play Component
GLPC...	Ground Level Play Component

Background

The RAC staff visited Mount Helena Park to conduct an access audit. The findings are below.

1.1 Parking – [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) lacks accessible parking spaces (checklist)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

1.1.1 **Create two or more** 8’ accessible parking stalls, with one 5’ adjacent access aisle, with proper signage and striping (checklist)

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1.2 Exterior Accessible Route - not applicable

1.3 Playground Designated Entry - not applicable

1.4 Playground Surface/Accessible Route within - not applicable

1.5 Transfer System - not applicable

1.6 Ramps - not applicable

1.7 Elevated Play Components - not applicable

1.8 Ground Level Play Components - not applicable

1.9 Sand box/Play tables - not applicable

1.10 Park Site - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

Trail Head (1): lacks AR [HT16](#)

Info Kiosk (1): lacks AR [HT10](#), [HT11](#); 60” aff to info [HT12](#), [HT13](#); lost and found hooks 74” aff [HT14](#), [HT15](#)

Garbage Cans (2): lacks AR [HT7](#)

Dog Waste Bag Dispenser (2): lacks AR [HT4](#), [HT9](#)

Benches (1): lacks CFS [HT8](#), lacks armrests (checklist)

Picnic Tables (1): noncompliant [HT6](#), [HT5](#), [HT17](#)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

- 1.10.1 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to trail head (HT16)
- 1.10.2 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to info kiosk (HT10, HT11)
- 1.10.3 **Lower operating mechanisms** at info kiosk to max 48" aff to highest operable part (HT12, HT13, HT14, HT15)
- 1.10.4 **Relocate** 20% of garbage cans to be along AR (HT7)
- 1.10.5 **Relocate** dog waste bag dispenser to be along AR (HT4, HT9)
- 1.10.6 **Construct firm, stable, and slip resistant pads** at least 36" by 48" adjacent to 20% of benches, and locate along an AR as a smart practice (HT8)
- 1.10.7 **Acquire and install** at least one armrest to 20% of existing benches as a smart practice (checklist)
- 1.10.8 **Replace or add one picnic table** with one with knee and toe clearance, 19" deep at 27" high and 24" deep at 9" high, with a 36" AR around table as a smart practice (HT6, HT5, HT17)

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1.11 **Shelters/Picnic Areas** - not applicable

1.12 **Park Buildings** -

Doors: [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

Maneuvering Clearance: unisex restroom left – surface does not extend [HT1](#), 1" drop to dirt surface [HT2](#), [HT3](#); unisex restroom right – surface does not extend (checklist), 1" drop to dirt surface (checklist)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible): (Doors)

- 1.12.1 For all doors along the public circulation route, **widen** pathway approaching entry to extend 18" beyond latch side of door for maneuvering clearance (HT1, checklist)
- 1.12.2 For all doors along the public circulation route, **repair, bevel, or ramp CIL** in doorway maneuvering clearance to max .25" (HT2, HT3, checklist)

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Restrooms: no issues

1.13 Other - not applicable

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