



REPORT TO THE CITY OF HELENA

Section 38: Performance Square

August 5, 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 Performance Square to conduct an access audit. The findings are below.

1.1 Parking – not applicable

1.2 Exterior Accessible Route - [[EAR-CHECKLIST](#)] [[RAMP-CHECKLIST](#)] [[STAIRS-CHECKLIST](#)]

Exterior Route: CIL at hatch opening [PS4](#), [PS5](#); gaps at sunken pavers [PS1](#), [PS2](#), [PS3](#)

Recommendations (Performance Square is a site designated as accessible so 1.2.1 through 1.2.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

1.2.1 **Repair, bevel, or ramp** CIL along AR (PS4, PS5)

1.2.2 **Correct or fill** gaps along AR (PS1, PS2, PS3)

Responsible Employee	Progress Towards Completion	Recommended Phase
Amy Teegarden Director 406/447-8462	(insert periodic notes regarding steps taken or work completed)	PHASE ONE

Ramp: landing not 60” due to stairs (checklist); stairs in ramp landing (checklist); lacks handrails (checklist)

Recommendations (Performance Square is a site designated as accessible so 1.2.1 through 1.2.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

1.2.1 **Reconfigure** last flight of stairs to provide required 60” landing at ramp (checklist)

1.2.2 **Install handrails** on both sides of the ramp (checklist)

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Stairs: stair risers 7”-7.5” [PS8](#), [PS9](#), [PS10](#), [PS13](#); treads not deep enough [PS11](#), [PS12](#), [PS13](#); risers not closed [PS6](#); treads lack contrast (checklist); top step lacks detectable warning [PS14](#); handrail not continuous at switchback [PS15](#); handrails fail to extend at bottom [PS7](#); handrail gripping surface high [PS17](#), [PS18](#), [PS20](#); gripping surface perimeter too big [PS19](#), [PS16](#)

Recommendations (Performance Square is a site designated as accessible so 1.2.1 through 1.2.6 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.2.1 **Correct riser heights** on stairs so they are a consistent height between 4” to 7”; leave as is if technically infeasible (PS8, PS9, PS10, PS13)
- 1.2.2 **Correct tread depth** on stairs so they are 11” minimum and consistent, leave as is if technically infeasible (PS11, PS12, PS13)
- 1.2.3 **Install** kick plates on all stairs or replace with ones having closed risers (PS6)
- 1.2.4 **Provide** contrast on leading 2” of each tread (checklist)
- 1.2.5 **Install** detectable warning strip on top tread of each stairway as a smart practice (PS14)
- 1.2.6 **Replace** handrails on both sides of stairway, mounted 34” to 38” aff with top and bottom extensions and having a 1.25” – 2” in diameter, or a non-circular grip that has a perimeter dimension of 4”- 6.25” max (PS15, PS7, PS17, PS18, PS20, PS19, PS16)

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- 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** - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

Performance Stage: no access, see ramp above (checklist)

Recommendations (Performance Square is a site designated as accessible so 1.10.1 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.10.1 **See recommendations 1.2.1 and 1.2.2** for ramp corrections to performance stage (checklist)

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1.11 Shelters/Picnic Areas - not applicable

1.12 Park Buildings - not applicable

1.13 Other - not applicable

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