

# REPORT TO THE CITY OF HELENA

## Section 47: Waukesha Park

August 5, 2015

### Legend of Abbreviations

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

**Background**

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

**1.1 Parking – not applicable**

**1.2 Exterior Accessible Route - [CHECKLIST]** 13.3% side ramp flare [WK1](#), [WK2](#); walkway lacks detectable warning at vehicular way (checklist)

***Recommendations (Waukesha Park 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 **Correct slope** of curb ramp side flares to max 10% (WK1, WK2)

1.2.2 **Install compliant detectable warning** at transitions from walkways to vehicular ways as a smart practice (checklist)

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**1.3 Playground Designated Entry – no issues**

**1.4 Playground Surface/Accessible Route within - [CHECKLIST]** lacks intended route throughout due to mulch surface (checklist); unstable mulch surface (checklist)

***Recommendations (Waukesha Park is a site designated as accessible so 1.4.1 through 1.4.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):***

1.4.1 **Replace existing surface** with an accessible surface such as EWF, PIP or tiles, with compliant slopes and CILs (checklist)

1.4.2 **Establish protocols** for regular and frequent inspection and maintenance of accessible playground surface (checklist)

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**1.5 Transfer System - [CHECKLIST]** lacks second transfer (checklist); transfer 19" agl [WK20](#), [WK21](#)

***Recommendations (Waukesha Park is a site designated as accessible so 1.5.1 through 1.5.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):***

- 1.5.1 **Consider** adding second transfer system as a smart practice (checklist)
- 1.5.2 **Lower platform** on transfer system to 11" to 18" aff, in the alternative, add and maintain surface fill level to achieve the same (WK20, WK21)

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**1.6 Ramps** - not applicable

**1.7 Elevated Play Components** - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) 6 of 12 components accessible: apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

**1.8 Ground Level Play Components** - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) lacks one of each type compliant (checklist); corrections needed to meet incentive scoping (checklist); surface fails [WK31](#), [WK40](#), [WK28](#), [WK29](#), [WK32](#); seat swing entry 30" high [WK38](#), [WK39](#); belt swings 1 and 2 entry high [WK35](#), [WK37](#), [WK36](#)

**Recommendations (Waukesha Park is a site designated as accessible so 1.8.1 through 1.8.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):**

- 1.8.1 **See recommendation 1.4.1** for surface corrections (WK31, WK40, WK28, WK29, WK32)
- 1.8.2 **Lower entry point for seat swing** to 11" to 24" aff (WK38, WK39)
- 1.8.3 **Leave as is**, remaining GLPCs as the above correction will meet incentive scoping and one of each type accessible (WK35, WK37, WK36)

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**1.9 Sand box/Play tables** - not applicable

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

Gardens: 2.9% slope on cement pad, push side [WK4](#), [WK5](#), 1.5" CIL interior [WK6](#), [WK7](#), lacks AR [WK10](#), watering hole requires tight pinch [WK11](#), noncompliant route throughout [WK12](#), fence locks require tight pinch [WK13](#)

Benches: lacks CFS (checklist); lacks armrests (checklist)

Picnic Tables: not designed for wheelchair use (checklist)

***Recommendations (Waukesha Park is a site designated as accessible so 1.10.1 through 1.10.8 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):***

- 1.10.1 **Correct or repair slope** at gardens doorway landing to max 2.08% in any direction for level CFS (WK4, WK5)
- 1.10.2 **Repair, bevel, or ramp CIL** at garden door entry to max .25" (WK6, WK7)
- 1.10.3 **Extend** a pathway away from the garden building for emergency egress (WK10)
- 1.10.4 **Replace** operable parts in garden with ones operable without a tight pinch or grip (WK11, WK13)
- 1.10.5 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to and through the garden (WK12)
- 1.10.6 **Consider** providing raised garden beds for patrons with disabilities (checklist)
- 1.10.7 **Construct firm, stable, and slip resistant pads** at least 36" by 48" adjacent to 20% of benches, add at least one armrest and locate along an AR as a smart practice (checklist)
- 1.10.8 **Replace 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 (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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