



REPORT TO THE CITY OF PEORIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Section 40: Sweetwater Park

October 25, 2013

Legend of Abbreviations

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

Background

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

1.1 Parking – [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

Near Play Area: lacks van accessible space (checklist); lacks signage (checklist)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.1.1 and 1.1.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test): (Near Play Area)

- 1.1.1 **Add one van parking sign** to one accessible stall and repaint stall and access aisle to 11' and 5' or 8' and 8' (checklist)
- 1.1.2 **Acquire and mount** at appropriate heights and locations accessible parking and violation signs for all the stalls (checklist)

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Near Basketball: lacks van accessible space (checklist); 2.5% slope in access aisle [SP1](#), [SP2](#); lacks signage [SP2](#), [SP3](#); access aisle fails to connect to AR (checklist)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.1.1 through 1.1.4 is integral to compliance with title II program access test): (Near Basketball)

- 1.1.1 **Add one van parking sign** to one accessible stall and repaint stall and access aisle to 11' and 5' or 8' and 8' (checklist)
- 1.1.2 **Repair or correct slope** of parking space and access aisle to max 2.08% in any direction (SP1, SP2)
- 1.1.3 **Acquire and mount** at appropriate heights and locations accessible parking and violation signs for all the stalls (checklist)
- 1.1.4 **Reconfigure** accessible stalls to avoid requiring pedestrians to cross vehicular way, **in the alternative, leave as is** with striped crosswalk

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1.2 Exterior Accessible Route - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) gaps due to deterioration near tennis courts [SP8](#), [SP9](#); 12.2% running slope from parking [SP4](#), [SP5](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.2.1 and 1.2.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.2.1 **Correct or fill** gaps along AR (SP8, SP9)
- 1.2.2 **Correct or repair** sidewalk running slope along AR to max 5% (SP4, SP5)

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- 1.3 **Playground Designated Entry - [CHECKLIST]** lacks intended user signage (checklist); lacks intended AR due to PIP to sand [SP37](#), [SP48](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.3.1 and 1.3.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.3.1 **Acquire and install** intended user signage and mount at designated entry as a smart practice (checklist)
- 1.3.2 **Replace existing sand surface** with an accessible surface such as EWF, PIP or tiles, with compliant slopes and CILs (SP37, SP48)

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- 1.4 **Playground Surface/Accessible Route within - [CHECKLIST]** CIL at PIP to sand transition (checklist); PIP surface has damage [SP38](#), [SP37](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.4.1 and 1.4.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.4.1 **See 1.3.2 above** for surface correction (checklist)
- 1.4.2 **Establish protocols** for regular and frequent inspection and maintenance of accessible playground surface (SP38, SP37)

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1.5 Transfer System - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

2 to 5: lacks descending step [SP39](#)

5 to 12: lacks descending step [SP49](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.5.1 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

1.5.1 **Install** descending step on transfer system as a smart practice on both (SP39, SP49)

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1.6 Ramps - not applicable

1.7 Elevated Play Components - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

2 to 5: 5 of 5 EPCs compliant (checklist); apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

5 to 12: 5 of 6 EPCs compliant (checklist); apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

1.8 Ground Level Play Components - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) meets incentive scoping (checklist) lacks accessible rocker (checklist); dinosaur rocker- entry height at 26" aff and in sand [SP40](#), [SP41](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.8.1 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

1.8.1 **Lower entry point for one dinosaur rocker** to 11" to 24" aff (SP40, SP41)

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1.9 Sand box/Play tables – not applicable

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

Half Court Basketball (4): lacks AR [SP57](#)

Volleyball Court: lacks AR, not designed for wheelchair use [SP55](#)

Drinking Fountains (2): lacks hi-lo bowl design [SP56](#), [SP61](#)

Dog Waste Bag Dispensers (2): off AR, reach range fails [SP59](#), [SP60](#), [SP63](#)

Benches (2): lacks CFS (checklist)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.10.2 through 1.10.5 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.10.1 Create AR with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to the half court basketball (SP57); in the alternative, **leave as is** and designated basketball at other sites in the Department as accessible
- 1.10.2 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to the volleyball court (SP55)
- 1.10.3 **Replace drinking fountain** with a hi-lo bowl fountain (SP56, SP61)
- 1.10.4 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to the dog waste bag dispensers and lower to max 48" aff to highest operable part (SP59, SP60, SP63)
- 1.10.5 **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 (checklist)

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1.11 Shelters/Picnic Areas - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#)

Shelter 1: grill and garbage can off AR [SP82](#); AR narrows at table [SP80](#), [SP81](#)

Shelter 2: grill off AR [SP89](#)

Shelter 3: AR narrows to at table to grill [SP83](#), [SP84](#)

Shelter 4: tables reduces AR to grill [SP83](#), [SP84](#); lacks AR [SP79](#); CIL due to border (checklist)

Shelter 5: lacks AR [SP85](#); CILs due to border (checklist); AR reduces at table to grill [SP86](#), [SP87](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.11.1 through 1.1.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.11.1 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from shelter to grills in shelters 1 and 2 (SP82, SP89)
- 1.11.2 **Relocate garbage can** to be along AR in shelter 1 (SP82)
- 1.11.3 **Relocate** tables to provide 36" AR throughout shelter interior in shelters 1, 3, 4, and 5 (SP80, SP81, SP83, SP84, SP86, SP87); in the alternative, **leave as is** shelters 4 and 5
- 1.11.4 Create AR with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to shelters 4 and 5 (SP79); in the alternative, **leave as is** and designate shelters at other sites in the Department as accessible
- 1.11.5 Repair, bevel or ramp CIL at shelters 4 and 5 entry (checklist); in the alternative, **leave as is** and designate shelters at other sites in the Department as accessible

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1.12 Park Buildings -

Doors: [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) chase- lacks maneuvering clearance due to interior storage [SP13](#), small pad [SP11](#), and 6.4% slope [SP10](#), [SP11](#); door dimensions fail [SP12](#), [SP13](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.12.1 through 1.12.5 is integral to compliance with title II program access test): (Doors)

- 1.12.1 For all doors along the public circulation route, **relocate storage and other obstacles** to create 60" maneuvering space around doors (SP13)
- 1.12.2 For all doors along the public circulation route, **widen** pathway approaching entry to extend 18" beyond latch side of door for maneuvering clearance (SP11)
- 1.12.3 For all doors along the public circulation route, **correct or repair slope** at doorway landing to max 2.08% in any direction for level CFS (SP10, SP11)
- 1.12.4 For all doors along the public circulation route, **replace doors** with ones having 80" overhead and 32" clear width (SP12, SP13)
- 1.12.5 **Upon renovation**; make above corrections to employee only doors

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Rooms: [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) chase- lacks 36" due to storage [SP16](#); lacks 60" due to width, storage, and equipment [SP16](#); CIL at elevated board [SP15](#); outlets and panels lack CFS [SP17](#); panel reach range fails [SP17](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.12.1 and 1.12.2 is integral to compliance with title II program access test): (Rooms)

- 1.12.1 Employee only areas permit approach, entry, and exit, **relocate obstacles** to create AR and 60" turning space through chase if technically feasible (SP16)
- 1.12.2 For all other deficits, **leave as is**, employee work area pursuant to 2010 Standards 106.5 Defined Terms, until an employee with a disability works here (SP15, SP17)

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

Both: lacks compliant signage with symbol of access [SP20](#); pipe cover obstructs knee clearance [SP22](#), [SP30](#); automatic sink controls fail to remain on for 10 seconds (checklist); stall lacks toe clearance [SP23](#), [SP24](#), [SP31](#); rear grab bar mounting fails [SP25](#), [SP31](#); flush controls centered over toilet [SP24](#), [SP32](#); stall door are 4.25" from partition in men's [SP26](#), [SP27](#) and 4.5" from partition in women's [SP34](#), [SP35](#); hand dryers protrude [SP21](#), [SP22](#), [SP30](#)

Men's: 2.9% slope [SP28](#), [SP29](#)

Women's: toilet paper dispenser mounting fails [SP33](#)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.12.1 through 1.12.9 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.12.1 **Acquire and mount** signage for both, including Braille and access symbol mounted on wall, latch side of door, 48" to baseline of lowest character and 60" to baseline of highest character (SP20)
- 1.12.2 **Remove pipe cover** to allow knee and toe clearance at sinks in both (SP22, SP30)
- 1.12.3 **Adjust timing** of sink faucets in both to remain on for min 10 seconds (checklist)
- 1.12.4 **Provide** toe clearance at the front and side partitions, or enlarge stall to provide the same (SP23, SP24, SP31)
- 1.12.5 **Leave as is**, center mounted flush control, acceptable alternative in both (SP24, SP32)

- 1.12.6 **Rehang** stall doors in both to be max 4" from adjacent stall partition and on the stall wall farthest from the toilet (SP26, SP27, SP34, SP35)
- 1.12.7 **Relocate or recess** hand dryers in both to not interfere with general circulation path, protrusions can't be greater than 4" (SP21, SP22, SP30)
- 1.12.8 **Correct or repair** slope in men's to max 5% running and 2.08% cross (SP28, SP29)
- 1.12.9 **Remount toilet paper dispenser** in women's to max 7" to 9" from front of toilet, 15" to 48" aff and min 12" above or 1.5" below grab bar (SP33)

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- 1.13 **Other - ORAR** [[CHECKLIST](#)] .75" perpendicular gap [SP67](#), [SP68](#); 1" parallel gap [SP69](#), [SP70](#); 3.8% cross slope [SP73](#), [SP74](#); lacks trail signage (checklist)

Recommendations (Sweetwater Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.13.1 through 1.13.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):

- 1.13.1 **Correct or fill** gaps along trail surface (SP67, SP68, SP69, SP70)
- 1.13.2 **Correct or repair** cross slope along trail to max 2.08% (SP73, SP74)
- 1.13.3 **Mount** signage at all trail heads indicating length of accessible trail segment, surface type, typical and min. tread width, typical and max. running slope, typical and max. cross slope as a smart practice (checklist)

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