



# REPORT TO THE CITY OF PEORIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## Section 43: Varney Park

July 10, 2013

### 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>EPC...</b>	Elevated Play Component
<b>GLPC...</b>	Ground Level Play Component

**Background**

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

- 1.1 Parking** – [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) needs one more space (checklist); lacks van parking space (checklist); lacks signage [VP2](#); lacks van parking signage (checklist); access aisles do not connect to route [VP2](#)

**Recommendations (Varney 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):**

- 1.1.1 **Create one or more** 8' accessible parking stalls, with one 5' adjacent access aisle, with proper signage and striping (checklist)
- 1.1.2 **Add one van parking sign** to one accessible stall and repaint stall and access aisle to 11' and 5' or 8' and 8' (checklist)
- 1.1.3 **Acquire and mount** at appropriate heights and locations accessible parking signs for the all stalls (VP2)
- 1.1.4 **Reconfigure** accessible stalls to avoid requiring pedestrians to cross vehicular way, **in the alternative, leave as is** with striped crosswalk (VP2)

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- 1.2 Exterior Accessible Route** - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) lacks detectable warning where there is no curb (checklist); CIL- minor cracks near shelter 1 [VP4](#), [VP5](#), heaving/settling near street entry [VP10](#), [VP11](#), .75" near playground [VP12](#), [VP13](#), .75" at multiple joints [VP14](#), [VP15](#); 2.4% cross slope [VP6](#), [VP7](#)

**Recommendations (Varney Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.2.1 through 1.2.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):**

- 1.2.1 **Install compliant detectable warning** at transitions from walkways to vehicular ways as a smart practice (checklist)
- 1.2.2 **Repair, bevel, or ramp** CIL along AR (VP4, VP5, VP10, VP11, VP12, VP13, VP14, VP15)
- 1.2.3 **Correct or repair** sidewalk cross slope along AR to max 2.08% (VP6, VP7)

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- 1.3 Playground Designated Entry** - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) no issues

**1.4 Playground Surface/Accessible Route within - [CHECKLIST]** AR does not connect to egress point (checklist); PIP and woodchips, lacks PIP to 2 to 5 [VP25](#)

***Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate playgrounds at other sites in the Department as accessible):***

1.4.1 ***Extend existing accessible surface*** to 5 to 12 egress points (checklist)

1.4.2 ***Replace existing surface*** with an accessible surface such as EWF, PIP or tiles, with compliant slopes and CILs at 2-5 (VP25)

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**1.5 Transfer System - [CHECKLIST]**

2 to 5: not connected to AR due to woodchips [VP25](#); lacks second transfer system (checklist)

5 to 12: lacks second transfer system (checklist)

***Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate playgrounds at other sites in the Department as accessible):***

1.5.1 ***See 1.4.2 above*** for corrections to 2 to 5 transfer surface (VP25)

1.5.2 ***Consider*** adding second transfer system as a smart practice at both (checklist)

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**1.6 Ramps – not applicable**

**1.7 Elevated Play Components - [CHECKLIST]**

2 to 5: 7 of 12 compliant (checklist); steering wheel 31.5" [VP26](#), [VP27](#) tic tac toe 25" [VP28](#), [VP29](#); manipulative panel 35" [VP30](#), [VP31](#); rain maker 43" [VP32](#), [VP33](#); gear panel 31.5" [VP34](#), [VP35](#); apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

5 to 12: 13 of 14 compliant (checklist); telescope [VP19](#), [VP20](#); apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

**Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate playgrounds at other sites in the Department as accessible):**

1.7.1 **Leave as is**, noncompliant EPC's; 50% of EPCs compliant at both (VP26, VP27, VP28, VP29, VP30, VP31, VP32, VP33, VP34, VP35, VP19, VP20, checklist)

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1.8 **Ground Level Play Components - [CHECKLIST]** lacks one of each type provided accessible and on AR (checklist); both belt swings high [VP43](#), [VP44](#), [VP45](#); both bucket swings high [VP40](#), [VP41](#), [VP42](#); 5 to 12 will meet incentive scoping with corrections, 2 to 5 meets incentive scoping (checklist)

**Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate playgrounds at other sites in the Department as accessible):**

1.8.1 **Lower entry point for one belt swing** to 11" to 24" aff (VP43, VP44, VP45)

1.8.2 **Leave as is**, remaining GLPCs as the above correction will meet incentive scoping (VP43, VP44, VP45, VP40, VP41, VP42, checklist)

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

1.10 **Park Site - [CHECKLIST]**

Dog Bags: 58" high, off AR [VP46](#), [VP47](#), [VP48](#)

Basketball Courts (2): AR through court to other side [VP51](#), [VP52](#); lacks AR to lights (checklist)

Drinking Fountain: low bowl is a protruding object [VP55](#), [VP56](#)

Benches (2): lack CFS, 28" wide space, lack armrests [VP49](#), [VP50](#)

**Recommendations (Varney Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.10.1, 1.10.2, and 1.10.5 through 1.10.7 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):**

- 1.10.1 **Relocate** dog bags to be along AR (VP46)
- 1.10.2 **Lower** dog bag to 15" to 48" aff (VP47, VP48)
- 1.10.3 Extend AR to both sides of basketball courts (VP51, VP52); in the alternative, **leave as is** and designate basketball at other sites in the Department as accessible
- 1.10.4 Extend AR to basketball lights (checklist); in the alternative, **leave as is** and designate basketball at other sites in the Department as accessible
- 1.10.5 **Place bollard** or cane detectable warning at drinking fountain to warn of protrusion (VP55, VP56)
- 1.10.6 **Enlarge CFS** to 36" wide for at least 20% of benches (VP49, VP50)
- 1.10.7 **Acquire and install** at least one armrest to 20% of existing benches as a smart practice (VP49, VP50)

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**1.11 Shelters/Picnic Areas -** [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) *Shelter 1:* lacks AR to grill [VP61](#)

*Shelter 2:* 1" CIL [VP67](#), [VP68](#)

*Shelter 3:* .75" gap [VP71](#), [VP72](#); lacks AR to grill [VP70](#)

*Shelter 4:* AR through basketball courts only [VP64](#); .75" gap [VP65](#), [VP66](#)

**Recommendations (Varney Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.11.1 through 1.11.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):**

- 1.11.1 **Repair** AR to shelter 1 and shelter 3 grills by adding fill and compacting (VP61, VP70)
- 1.11.2 **Repair, bevel or ramp** CIL on shelter 2 interior (VP67, VP68)
- 1.11.3 **Correct or fill** gap on shelter 3 and shelter 4 interior (VP71, VP72, VP65, VP66)
- 1.11.4 Extend a separate AR to shelter 4 that doesn't go through basketball courts (VP64); 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: [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) plumbing chase – storage and pipes in maneuvering clearance (checklist); 5.8% slope on exterior [VP87](#), [VP88](#)

**Recommendations (Varney Park is a site designated with accessible features so 1.12.1 through 1.12.3 is integral to compliance with title II program access test):**  
**(Doors)**

- 1.12.1 For all doors along the public circulation route, **relocate storage, furniture, and other obstacles** to create 60” maneuvering space around doors if feasible (checklist)
- 1.12.2 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 (VP87, VP88)
- 1.12.3 **Upon renovation;** make above corrections to employee only doors

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Rooms: [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) plumbing chase – reduces to 29” at garbage [VP89](#), [VP90](#); pipes prevent turning (checklist); storage in CFS of fixtures (checklist); panels, shelf storage and fire extinguisher high [VP91](#), [VP92](#)

**Recommendations (Varney 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** such as tables and chairs to create AR and turning through plumbing chase if feasible (VP89, VP90, checklist)
- 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 (VP91, VP92, checklist)

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

*Both:* signage 81” aff [VP76](#), [VP77](#), [VP85](#); lack access symbol (checklist); lacks side toe clearance, 64” wide stall [VP80](#), [VP81](#), [VP86](#); door not self-closing, small hardware (checklist); hand dryers protrude [VP83](#), [VP84](#)

Men's: end of side grab bar 53" from rear wall [VP78](#), [VP79](#)

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- 1.12.1 **Acquire and mount** signage, including access symbol mounted on wall, latch side of door, 48" to baseline of lowest character and 60" to baseline of highest character at both (VP76, VP77, VP85, checklist)
- 1.12.2 **Provide** toe clearance at the side partitions, or enlarge stall to provide the same at both (VP80, VP81, VP86)
- 1.12.3 **Adjust** stall door to be self-closing in both (checklist)
- 1.12.4 **Replace** stall hardware with hardware operable without a tight pinch or grasp (checklist)
- 1.12.5 **Relocate or recess** hand dryers to not interfere with general circulation path, protrusions can't be greater than 4" in both (VP83, VP84)
- 1.12.6 **Remount** side grab bar to max 12" from the rear wall at the close end and min 54" on the far end, and 33" to 36" aff in men's (VP78, VP79)

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**1.13 Other** – not applicable

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