

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2012**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, July 31, 2012, commencing at 7:00 a.m.

Present: Council Member Hansen, Council Member Katzakian, Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, and Mayor Mounce

Absent: Council Member Johnson

Also Present: City Manager Bartlam, City Attorney Schwabauer, and City Clerk Johl

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Americans with Disabilities Act Review of Facilities (PW)

City Manager Bartlam provided a brief introduction into the subject matter of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) review of City facilities.

Deputy Public Works Director Charlie Swimley provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding ADA review of City facilities. Specific topics of discussion included the history of ADA, ADA as it relates to the City of Lodi, the transition plan, ADA projects and their status, past, present and future ADA efforts, funding, ramps, facilities, transit, parks, Lodi Lake, Grape Bowl, and next steps.

In response to Mayor Mounce, Mr. Swimley stated ADA requirements are revised regularly by the federal government with the last update occurring in 2010. Mr. Swimley confirmed that new improvements can become outdated quickly due to regular updates by the federal government.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Swimley stated \$8.4 million has been spent on ADA related projects for parks, sidewalks/ramps, and facilities.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Swimley stated some state funds are available for ADA transit related projects but he is not aware of any other monetary assistance from the state for ADA projects.

In response to Council Member Hansen, City Attorney Schwabauer stated state law can be more stringent than federal law and it is possible to be compliant with the federal ADA law and be out of compliance with state law.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Bartlam confirmed that many municipalities utilize a high amount of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to address disability and accessibility improvements.

In response to Mayor Mounce, Mr. Bartlam stated the CDBG target area is generally east of Hutchins Street and accessibility projects to the west of Hutchins Street can only be completed with CDBG funding if certain requirements are met such as the project is a neighborhood serving facility.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Swimley and Mr. Bartlam stated the blue dots on the ramp map are out of compliance with federal law, are located near Tokay High School and Mills

Avenue, and the main problem is the slope percentage.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Swimley stated new ramps cost approximately \$15,000 each if the drain inlet needs to be relocated and \$8,000 each if it does not.

In response to Myrna Wetzel, Mr. Swimley and Mr. Bartlam explained how the lowest point of the slope and width must be located within the center of a ramp and drainage needs.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, Mr. Bartlam and Mr. Swimley confirmed that it will take millions of dollars to become fully compliant with the ADA, the Transition Plan and ongoing ADA improvements are a defense to a lawsuit, and a majority of the annual CDBG funds continue to be spent on ADA projects.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Public Works Director Wally Sandelin stated the chirping sounds for light crossings are an ADA accommodation, they can be funded with TDA monies, and the cost is a few thousand dollars per intersection.

In response to Council Member Katzakian, Mr. Bartlam stated the CDBG funding, which is a set allocation based on a percentage, decreased by 7% last year and he expects that trend to continue into the next few years.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, Mr. Bartlam stated almost all of the block grant funds go to some sort of accessibility issue in conjunction with the 60-40 split in favor of the City.

In response to Myrna Wetzel, Mr. Bartlam stated HOME funds are used for the senior affordable housing project and the next phase of the application process is scheduled for action at the August 1, 2012, City Council meeting.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 a.m.

ATTEST:

Randi Johl
City Clerk



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Review of City Facilities
MEETING DATE: July 31, 2012
PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

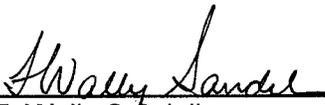
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Americans with Disabilities (ADA) review of City facilities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City ADA Transition Plan was adopted by Council in November 2005 and last amended in February 2011.

This presentation will provide a brief history of the ADA, current status of the City's Transition Plan, a review of ADA projects completed since 1992, and an outline for moving forward with future Transition Plan amendments and ADA improvements.

FISCAL IMPACT: Not applicable.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Not applicable.



F. Wally Sandelin
Public Works Director

Prepared by Charles E. Swimley, Jr., City Engineer/Deputy Public Works Director

FWS/CES/pmf

APPROVED: 

Konradt Bartlam, City Manager

The City of Lodi
Public Works



Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA)
Review of City Facilities

July 31, 2012



Overview

- History of ADA
- ADA / City of Lodi
- ADA Transition Plan
- Past – Present – Future
- Costs / Funding
- Questions



History of ADA

- Federal law adopted in 1990
 - Minimum accessibility requirements
 - Enforceable standards
 - Required state and local agencies to self evaluate accessibility
- Updated in 2010
 - Set minimum requirements for newly designed or altered public facilities
 - Established a new reference point for compliance standards (March 15, 2012)
 - Established “Safe Harbor” protection
- Title 24 California State Disability Requirements
 - Predates ADA
 - Requires compliance with most strict regulation



ADA / City of Lodi

- Community Development (Building Division)
 - Public facilities
 - Assistance in compliance
 - Manage Transition Plan
- Public Works
 - Public Right-of-Way
 - Facilities
 - Transit
- Legal / Risk Management
 - Defend ADA claims
 - Proactive compliance



ADA Transition Plan

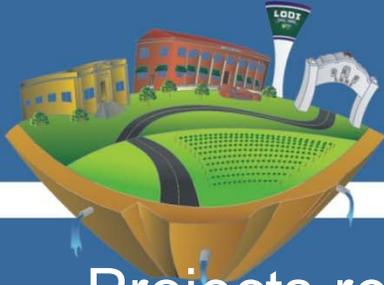
- Adopted by Council November 2005
- Amended February 2011
 - Grape Bowl
- Addresses ADA needs(City Facilities)
 - Buildings
 - Parking lots
 - Parks
 - Sidewalks and ramps
- Establishes Timeline



ADA Transition Plan

Project Status

Project	Description	Status
Elm Street Parking Lot	Add ADA Parking Stalls	Complete
Carnegie Forum	ADA Parking Stalls	Complete
City Website	Allow adaptable reading devices	Available



ADA Transition Plan

Projects requiring more than 1 year to complete:

Project	Description	Status
Elm Street (Cinema 12)	Modify ADA Parking Stalls	Complete
Hutchins Street Square	Correct N. entrance ramp and parking	Not complete
Library Front Entrance	Correct entrance ramp	Complete
City Parking Lots	7 projects identified	4 Completed
Sidewalks and Curb Ramps	Various projects	Ongoing
Carnegie Forum & HSS	Assistive listening devices	Available
City Parks	9 projects identified	6 Completed
Fire Stations	2 projects identified – 1 deferred	1 Completed
Grape Bowl	Multi-phased improvements	Ongoing



ADA Transition Plan

- Transition Plan needs updating
- Include additional facilities
 - Under Evaluation
- Most projects completed



Past-Present-Future

- Past (Since 1992)
 - Parks 37 Projects @ \$3.9M
 - Sidewalks / Ramps 15 Projects @ \$1.8M
 - Facilities 9 Projects @ \$2.7M
 - \$8.4M
- Present
 - Self Evaluation – Update Transition Plan
 - Ongoing ADA projects
- Future
 - Regular Transition Plan Amendments
 - Regular Feedback from Council

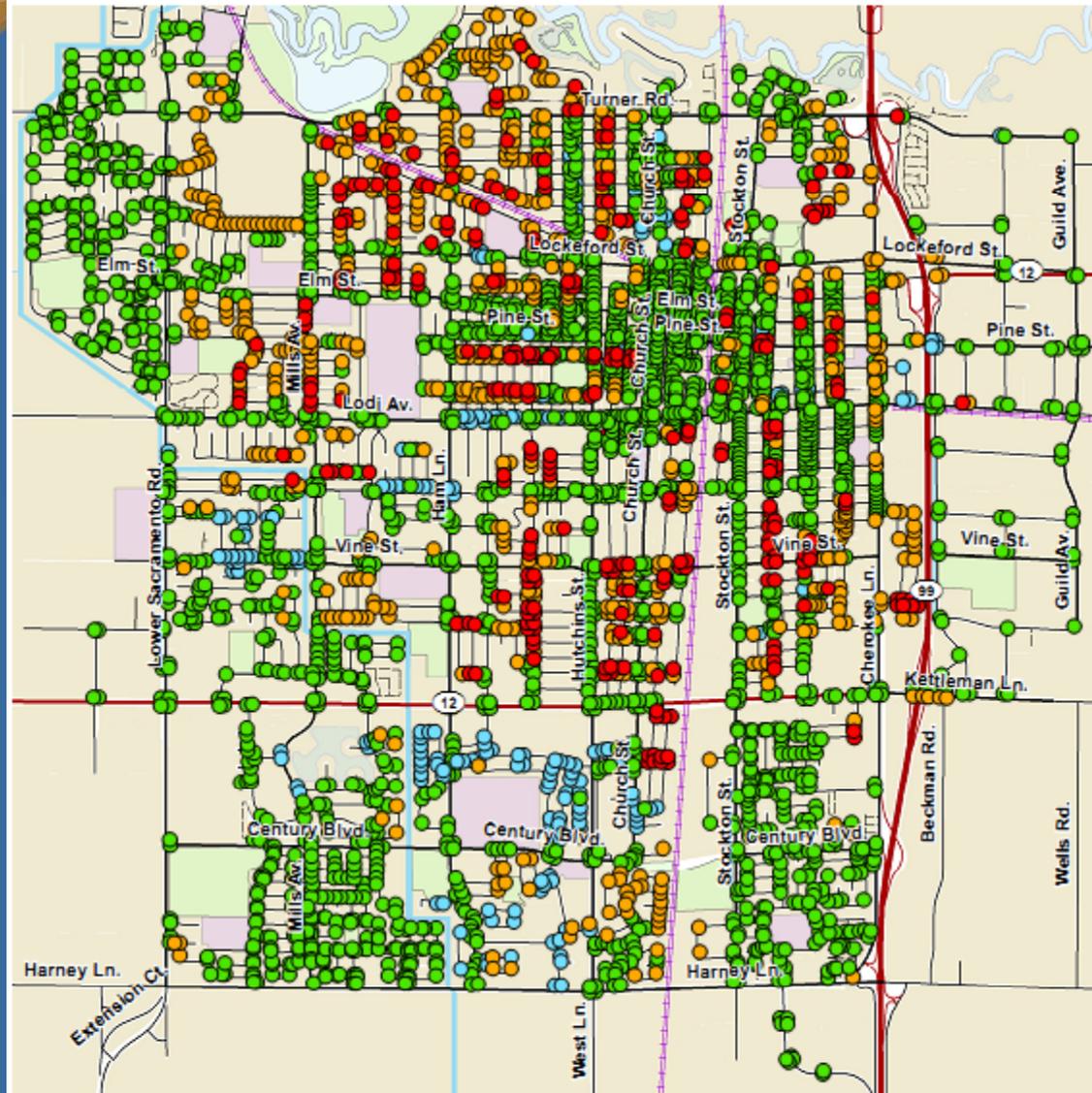


ADA Funding

ADA Project Type	Typical Funding Source(s)
Handicap Ramps	CDBG, Measure K
Park Improvements	CDBG, Grants, Private Donations, Park Capital
Facility Improvements	CDBG, General Fund
Parking Lot Improvements	CDBG, General Fund



ADA Ramps



ADA Access Ramp Map

Legend

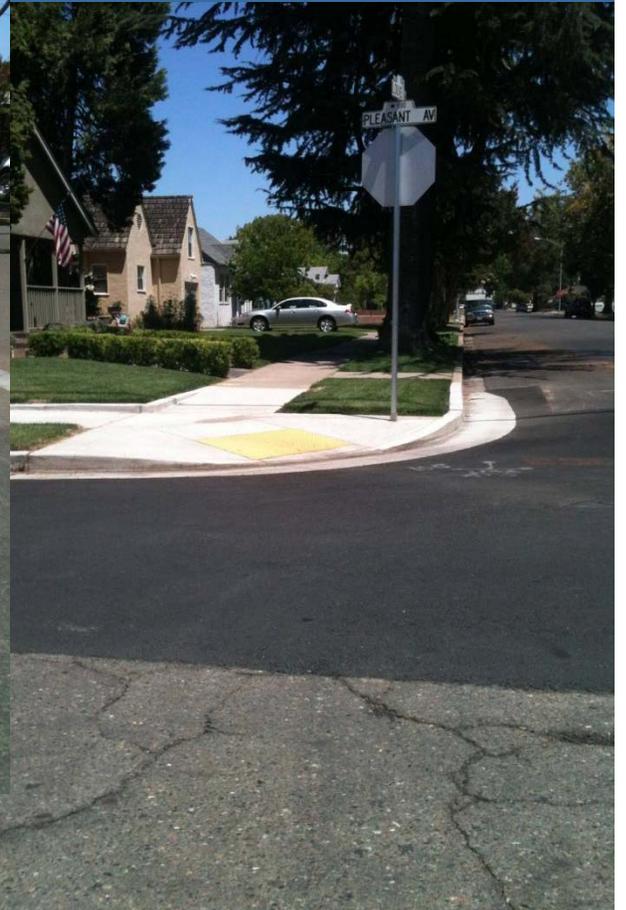
Handicap Ramp Location

- No Handicap Ramp, with Catch Basin
- No Handicap Ramp, No Obstructions
- Handicap Ramp does not meet current ADA
- Handicap Ramp meets ADA





Curb Ramps





Facilities





Parking





Transit



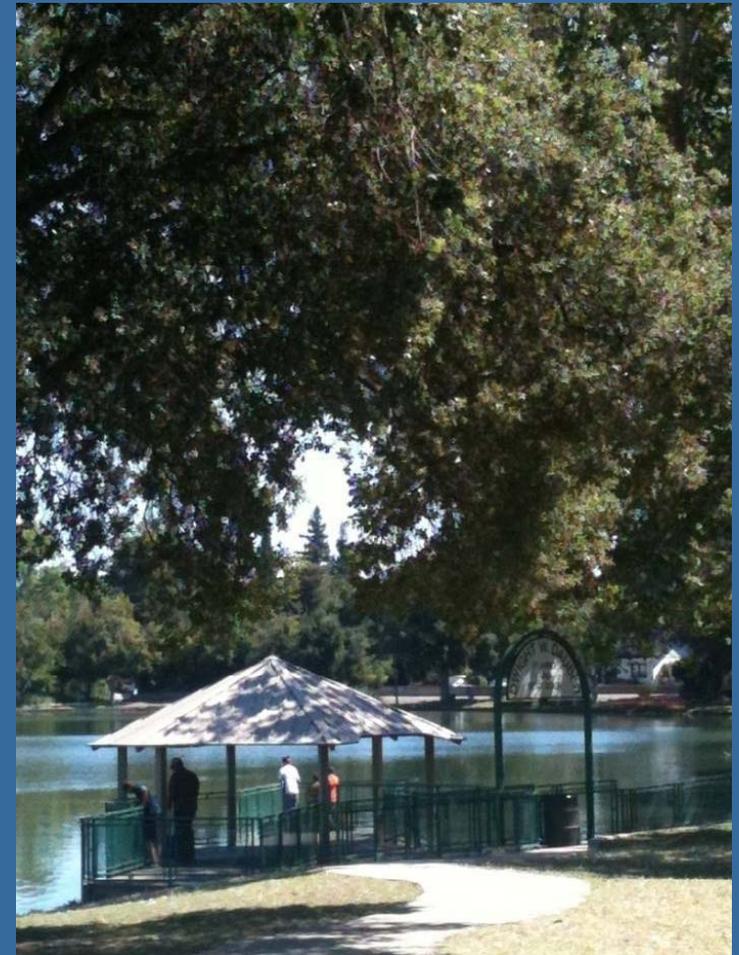


Parks





Lodi Lake





Grape Bowl





What is Next ?

- Transition Plan Amendment
 - September 19th (Tentatively)
- Regular Council Updates
- Transition Plan Amendments (As Needed)
- Continue ADA Improvements



Questions