



# Agenda Item Summary

City Commission – September 19, 2023

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**Subject:**

Approve Resolution No. 091923-D  
Adopting the ADA Transition Plan

**Staff Contact/Department:**

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**Action Item:**

Approve Resolution No. 091923-D adopting the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan.

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**Executive Summary:**

Since the summer of 2022, the City of Manhattan has been working with its consultant, Kimley-Horn, to conduct a Phase 1 Self-Evaluation and Transition plan to summarize the activities completed to-date related to ADA compliance and to create a roadmap for the City of Manhattan to update its ADA Transition Plan over time. The City’s ADA Transition Plan has not been updated since 1995. The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has requested, through the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), that all cities update their transition plans by 2023.

The 2022-2023 Self-Evaluation included review of various programs, services, and activities (PSAs) from a select number of City departments, as well as review of 4 out of 14 City buildings, 11 out of 32 parks, 19 of 64 signalized intersections, 25 out of 200 miles of sidewalks and adjacent unsignalized intersection/curb ramps, and all 11 miles of paved trails. Remaining infrastructure will be evaluated in future phases.

The City has developed a Transition Plan to summarize the self-evaluation activities completed to-date related to ADA compliance with a prioritized schedule to eliminate barriers over the next 25 years, including a roadmap for the City to update its ADA Transition Plan over time as barriers are addressed.

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**Strategic Plan Implementation Factor:**

This item affects multiple goals and actions of the City’s 5-year Strategic Plan, including

- Goal 2: A connected government
  - Goal 3: An enhanced network of infrastructure
  - Goal 4: A strong sense of place
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**Fiscal Impact:**

Total cost for the City’s Phase 1 Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (SP2201) was \$301,800. The project was funded from the General Fund. The evaluation and transition plan has identified \$11,037,500 in estimated costs to remove barriers over the next 25 year in evaluated buildings, parks, trails, signalized and unsignalized intersections, and sidewalks. Full implementation over 25 years is estimated at \$469,500 per year in improvements. The City’s ADA Implementation Coordinator will work the City’s ADA/504 Coordinator and ADA Staff Committee to develop an

Action Plan for barrier removal through various funding sources and other coordinated projects and efforts, as well as identify opportunities for future self-evaluation phases.

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**Action Requested:**

Approve Resolution No. 091923-D adopting the 2023 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan for the City of Manhattan.

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**Previous Agenda Report:**

[November 16, 2021](#) - Authorize ADA RFQ

[January 18, 2022](#) – Recommend ADA Selection & Authorize Negotiation

[April 5, 2022](#) – Approve Agreement for ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (SP2201)

[May 10, 2022](#) – ADA Work Session

[June 7, 2022](#) - Agreement for ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (SP2201)

[February 21, 2023](#) – Appoint ADA Advisory Group

[April 25, 2023](#) – ADA Self-Evaluation Progress Update Work Session

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**Attachment:**

1. [Resolution No. 091923-D](#) and 2023 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan
2. [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

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