



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SNOQUALMIE**

**AB23-109
August 22, 2023
Public Hearing**

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB22-109: Introduction of the ADA Transition Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
	RECOMMENDED ACTION:	
	Discussion of the ADA Transition Plan, prior to adoption on September 25, 2023	

DEPARTMENT:	Parks & Public Works	
STAFF:	Patrick Fry, Project Engineer	
COMMITTEE:	Parks & Public Works	Meeting Date: 08/22/2023
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Bryan Holloway	Jo Johnson
EXHIBITS:	Ethan Benson 1. AB23-109x1a (Transition Plan) 2. AB23-109x1b (Appendix A: Federal & Washington State Regulations) 3. AB23-109x1c (Appendix B: Public Right-of-Way GIS Inv. & Prioritization) 4. AB23-109x1d (Appendix C: Public Notice Under the ADA) 5. AB23-109x1e (Appendix D: ADA Grievance Procedure) 6. AB23-109x1f (Appendix E: 2023 APS Policy) 7. AB23-109x1g (Appendix F: Public Engagement Strategy & Findings) 8. AB23-109x2 (Presentation)	

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUESTED	\$ n/a

SUMMARY

SUMMARY STATEMENT

This Agenda Bill seeks to introduce the Snoqualmie American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan and open for comment. An ADA Transition Plan is a City Adopted document that identifies accessibility barriers, describe methods to remove those barriers, outline a schedule for barrier removal, and identify a public official responsible to implement the plan.

The Snoqualmie specific ADA transition plan focuses on the public right-of-way facilities, specifically on curb ramps and Accessible Pedestrian Signals. Future updates to the plan will include sidewalks, driveway interfaces and parking.

The current DRAFT of the ADA transition plan is open for feedback & public comment until September 25th, 2023.

BACKGROUND

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 is a civil rights statute (hereinafter referred to as the Act) that prohibits discrimination against people who have disabilities. There are five separate Titles (sections) of the Act relating to different aspects of potential discrimination. Title II of the Act specifically addresses the subject of making public services and public transportation accessible to those with disabilities. With the advent of the Act, designing and constructing facilities for public use that are not accessible by people with disabilities constitutes discrimination.

The Act applies to all facilities, including both facilities built before and after 1990. As a necessary step to a program access plan to provide accessibility under the ADA, state and local government, public entities or agencies are required to perform self-evaluations of their current facilities, relative the accessibility requirements of the ADA. The agencies are then required to develop a Program Access Plan, which can be called a Transition Plan, to address any deficiencies. The Plan is intended to achieve the following:

- (1) identify physical obstacles that limit the accessibility of facilities to individuals with disabilities,
- (2) describe the methods to be used to make the facilities accessible,
- (3) provide a schedule for making the access modifications, and
- (4) identify the public officials responsible for implementation of the Transition Plan.

The Plan is required to be updated periodically until all accessibility barriers are removed.

NEXT STEPS (FUTURE TASKS)

The Draft Plan is open for public comment until September 25th, 2023. Concluding public comment, City Council will adopt the finalized ADA Transition Plan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

N/A