



Sunnyvale

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Re: City of Sunnyvale Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan

The City of Sunnyvale retained Swanson Architects, Inc. in 2016 to develop the City's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan. The ADA provides civil rights protections to qualified individuals with disabilities to ensure equal participation in public life for all people with disabilities. The project included a detailed assessment of all City owned and leased facilities, as well as the Public Rights-of-Way (PROW), for existing physical accessibility barriers. It also included a self-evaluation of policies, procedures and practices based on questionnaires. Each questionnaire focused on a functional areas of City services. The consultant also conducted a limited number of interviews with City staff.

The consultant delivered a draft report in December 2017. Due to staff turnover, the prioritization formulas were never completed. The self-evaluation findings were never validated. Ultimately, the consultant contract ended before the City approved the draft report and the project was put on hold. While the City continued to make progress on ADA compliance, staff did not document progress towards the recommendations in the draft Transition Plan.

In 2021, staff renewed efforts to complete the ADA Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan. Staff validated the 2017 physical infrastructure data and computed the prioritization scores. Staff also reviewed the self-evaluation report. Instead of validating the findings for the self-evaluation report, staff decided to accept the findings and recommendations opting to focus on documenting progress towards ADA compliance. Staff made some minor, mostly formatting changes, to the 2018 ADA Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan report. Staff did not change any of the findings or recommendations of the 2017 report.

The City held a public hearing on the ADA Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan on June 23, 2022. After receiving feedback from the City's Advisory Committee on Accessibility (ACA) and members of the public, the Plan was adopted. Staff plans to publish a status report annually and provide the ACA with an opportunity to review and comment on our progress.