

Legislation Text

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Resolution - A Resolution to Consider Executing a Consultant Agreement with Accessology Too, LLC of McKinney, Texas in the Amount of \$104,500 for Professional Services Related to the Creation of an ADA Transition Plan for Parks and Recreation Facilities

Approve a Resolution to Execute a Consultant Agreement

Approve Resolution

The City of Mansfield is committed to city-wide compliance of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This project would initiate a first phase to prepare the Self Evaluation and Transition Plan for the Parks and Recreation Department. The project will consist of an evaluation of all city-owned parks and their associated facilities, buildings, and amenities. Each facility evaluated will include associated parking lots/paths of travel, sidewalks, trails, and amenities as well as documented public concerns for any facility in the scope.

The consultant proposal includes the full evaluation of all city-owned parks for compliance with both state and federal accessibility requirements. These assessments will include the exterior sites and parking lots, paths that lead to each amenity such as playgrounds, sports fields/courts, picnic areas, trails, fishing piers, boating facilities and common use areas such as restrooms, concession stands, pavilions and hike/bike trails, both paved and unpaved. Each facility will have a comprehensive report and photographic documentation of non-compliance.

Reports will include planning-based cost estimates and possible solutions to bring any non-compliant elements that are not considered "de minimis" barriers and are not "safe harbored" into compliance. A drfat of an ADA Transition Pkan will be developed, which will formally document tasks and associated barriers outlined in the attached scope of services.

Future phases of this project are not currently planned, but could include:

- Develop and evaluate the current level of programs, services, and activity accessibility for other departments not addressed in this phase.
- Develop an inventory list of existing sidewalk facilities owned/leased or maintained by the City of Mansfield but located in the public rights-of-way to determine the number of facilities that need to be evaluated; Quantify them into the number of miles of sidewalks that will need to be evaluated.
- Develop a list of existing buildings and facilities owned, operated or leased by the City and any associated parking, exterior sidewalks/trails inventory to determine the number of buildings that will need to be evaluated. Then prioritize the buildings into appropriate phases of this project.
- Develop an External ADA Advisory Committee to assist and advise the City and communicate with their local disability community.
- Each phase will include an update to the main Transition Plan Document being developed as part of Phase 1.

The consultant team was chosen based on multiple factors, including: qualifications of personnel; project schedule; experience with similar projects; references and reputation; methodology; and the team's capability to perform all aspects of the work. Accessology Too, LLC is considered a national leader in providing accessibility consulting services and is dedicated solely to all facets of access compliance. They have worked

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with hundreds of agencies across the country, including local municipalities such as McKinney, Southlake, Frisco, Addison, Flower Mound, Coppell and Denton. Funding for this project is available in the Capital Maintenance Program budget in the FY22-23 MPFDC operating budget.

The ADA Transition Plan will be an integral component in the overall planning and implementation of the current and future Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plans. In addition, this study is a requirement in the accreditation process in which the Parks and Recreation Department has been working to achieve over the past two years.

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