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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of County Commissioners
Gary Schmidt, County Administrator

FROM: Dan Johnson; Director, Transportation and Development

DATE: June 21, 2022

RE: 2021 ADA Annual Report

In 2017, the Board of County Commissioners adopted an updated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for the Public Rights-of-Way. This federally required plan sets forward an “Action Plan for the Next Five Years” describing the steps that should be taken to improve ADA accessibility. Achieving full ADA compliance is a large task that will take decades to complete. On-going monitoring and annual reports have been identified as a best practice that helps local governments focus attention on steady progress toward goal achievement over the long-term.

The County’s ADA Transition Plan calls for an annual report to the public and the Board of County Commissioners to provide information on progress in moving towards full ADA compliance. This is the fourth ADA annual report and describes DTD accomplishments during over the course of 2021. Attachment A is the full ADA Annual Report and provides information on progress in achieving ADA compliance during 2021. While it may not sound significant we are pleased to report the County’s ramp compliance rate has increased 8.9% since adoption of the plan in 2017.



2021 ADA Annual Report

Department of Transportation and Development

The following describes progress by the Clackamas County Department of Transportation and Development in improving ADA accessibility through actions identified in the ADA Transition Plan “Action Plan for the Next Five Years.”

Improvements to Accessible Features within the Public Rights-of-Way During 2021

During calendar year 2021 there were 125 fully compliant curb ramps added during the course of capital improvement projects or development projects. Below is a comparison of the ADA improvements made during calendar year 2021 compared with previous years.

- CY 2018 = 77
- CY 2019 = 67
- CY 2020 = 58
- CY 2021 = 125

The annual average of compliant curb ramps completed was 67.5 in 2018, 2019 and 2020. Completion of 125 compliant curb ramps in 2021 is a significant increase over previous years. This increase is due in part to an increase in paving and other capital projects.

Improvements in DTD Procedures

There have been no changes to the departments ADA procedures in the past year. Due to the importance of policies and procedures, DTD management and staff placed a strong focus on this area in FY18 and FY19 and developed changes which have now been successfully implemented. No further updates were identified during 2022.

ADA Work Program for 2022

Four major projects are currently moving through the design and construction process and will result in many improvements to ADA accessibility:

- Sunnyside Road ADA Improvements from 122nd Ave to 132nd Ave – Construction of this project is underway and will result in installation of 27 new, compliant ADA ramps and improvements to traffic signals, pedestrian push buttons and walk/don’t walk warning signs.
- Sunnyside Road ADA Improvements from 132nd to 162nd Ave – Construction of this project is underway and will result in installation of 51 new, compliant ADA ramps and related improvements to traffic signals, pedestrian push buttons and walk/don’t walk warning signs.
- Clackamas Regional Center Mobility – This project is currently underway and when result in 62 compliant curb ramps.
- D Street – This project is expected to result in 28 new compliant curb ramps.

Attachment A

- Jennings Road – A project to provide sidewalks with compliant curb ramps on the north side of Jennings Road as well as improved corners and curb ramps on the south side is in design. It is expected that this project will begin construction in 2023 and result in about 50 compliant curb ramps.