

# Parks and Forestry Building



## City of Attleboro ADA Transition Plan

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### Background

Year Built: 1902    Year Renovated: 1950-1960

The Parks and Forestry Building is located at 199 County Street. It is a two-story building, however public programs only take place on the first floor. There is one main entrance that can be accessed via a set of stairs or a ramp.

The public visits the building to fill out permits, speak to staff about tree or right of way concerns, attend a park commission meeting, and for other park related matters. The office is open to the public Monday through Friday between 7 am and 3 pm. The public accesses the administrative office, a room for filling out forms and the conference room.

Parking is provided for the public in a lot that is located northeast of the building.

### Key Accessibility Issues

#### Parking Lot

Accessibility issues include lack of a van accessible parking space.

#### Doors

Accessibility issues with doors include three doors that have hardware that is not operable with a closed fist.

### Additional Accessibility Issues

- Lack of signage with raised characters and braille at the exit door.
- The base of the ramp has a change in level greater than allowed and is not stable, firm and slip-resistant.
- The mat by the main entrance is not secured.
- The designation sign at the administrative office is not located on the latch side of the door.

### Order of Magnitude Cost Estimates

- Provide a van accessible parking space: \$1,850
- Provide compliant door hardware: \$1,452
- Miscellaneous corrective actions (exterior access route, egress sign, securing a mat, etc.): \$392





**Total: \$3,694**

### Best Practice and Inclusive Design



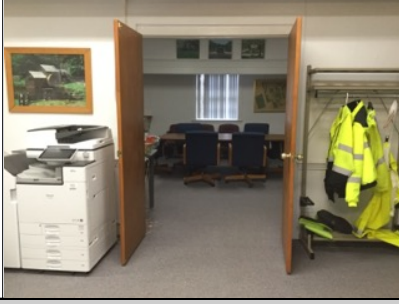

Best practice and inclusive design recommendations include elements that are not required in the standards but may create enhanced experiences for all users.

- Recommend providing accessible designation signage with raised characters and braille mounted on the latch side of the door at permanent rooms that lack designation signage.
- Recommend providing contrasting strips on stair treads at the exterior stair.


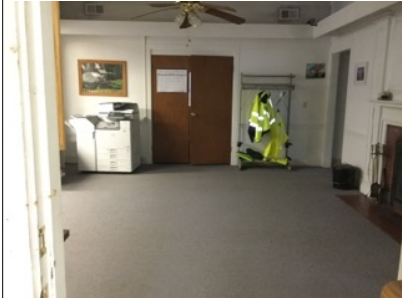


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| ID                                      | Location                          | Floor | Room | Element                          | Type          | Photo  | Issues   | Current Measure | Recommendations  | Quantity | Price        | Cost Estimation |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------|------|----------------------------------|---------------|--|--|-----------------|--|----------|--------------|-----------------|
| <b>Approach and Entrance</b>            |                                   |       |      |                                  |               |  |  |                 |  |          |              |                 |
| <b>Exterior Access Route</b>            |                                   |       |      |                                  |               |  |  |                 |  |          |              |                 |
| 1                                       | Accessible Route to Main Entrance | Ext.  |      | Exterior Access Route            | Walkway       |    | Level changes > 1/4"<br>Surface is not stable, firm, and slip-resistant  | 1.5"<br>-       | Alter change in level to be 1/4" high max.<br>Repair surface.  | 1        | 160          | \$160           |
| <b>Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage</b> |                                   |       |      |                                  |               |  |  |                 |  |          |              |                 |
| 2                                       | Parking Lot                       | Ext.  |      | Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage | Visitor       |   | Total # of parking<br>Total # of designated accessible parking spaces<br>Total # of designated van accessible spaces | 19<br>0<br>0    | Provide one van accessible parking space.  | 1        | 1850         | \$1850          |
| <b>Entrance</b>                         |                                   |       |      |                                  |               |  |  |                 |  |          |              |                 |
| 3                                       | Main Entrance                     | Ext.  |      | Entrance                         | Main Entrance |  | Hardware not operable with a closed fist   | -               | Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.  | 1        | 484          | \$484           |
| <b>Emergency Exit</b>                   |                                   |       |      |                                  |               |  |  |                 |  |          |              |                 |
| 4                                       | Main Entrance (Egress)            | 1     |      | Emergency Exit                   |               |  | Tactile sign not provided at exit<br>Mat not securely attached   | -<br>-          | Provide tactile exit signs with raised characters and braille at exit doors. Mount signs between 48"- 60" above the finished floor located on the latch side of the door.<br>Secure the mat. | 1        | 232<br>Labor | \$232           |

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| 5                                   | Main Entrance           | Ext.  |      | Emergency Exit           | N/A         |    | Illuminated Int. Symbol of Acc. not provided (MAAB) |                 | If an illuminated sign is provided at the exit provide an illuminated sign with the International Symbol of Accessibility. | 1        | -     | \$0             |
| <b>Access to Goods and Services</b> |                         |       |      |                          |             |  |   |                 |  |          |       |                 |
| <b>Doors, Doorways, &amp; Gates</b> |                         |       |      |                          |             |  |   |                 |  |          |       |                 |
| 6                                   | Administrative Office   | 1     |      | Doors, Doorways, & Gates | Office      |    | Hardware not operable with a closed fist            | -               | Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.    | 1        | 484   | \$484           |
| 7                                   | Commission Meeting Room | 1     |      | Doors, Doorways, & Gates |             |   | Hardware not operable with a closed fist            | -               | Provide hardware that can be operable with one hand and not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist.    | 1        | 484   | \$484           |
| <b>Signage</b>                      |                         |       |      |                          |             |  |   |                 |  |          |       |                 |
| 8                                   | Administrative Office   | 1     |      | Signage                  | Designation |  | Sign not located on the latch side of the door      | -               | Locate sign at permanent rooms alongside the door on the latch side.   | 1        | Labor | \$0             |

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| <b>Dining or Work Surfaces</b> |                         |       |      |                         |              |  |   |                 |   |          |       |                 |
| 9                              | Main Entrance Lobby     | 1     |      | Dining or Work Surfaces | Work Surface |    | Knee or toe clearance not provided<br>Top of dining/work surface < 28" or > 34" | 23.75"<br>24.5" | Provide at least one dining or work surface with tops between 28"- 34" above the floor and 27" clear height underneath. Adjust the table.                                     | 1        | Labor | \$0             |
| <b>Best Practice</b>           |                         |       |      |                         |              |  |   |                 |   |          |       |                 |
| 10                             | Commission Meeting Room | 1     |      |                         | -            |   |   | -               | Recommend providing accessible designation signage with raised characters and braille mounted on the latch side of the door at permanent rooms that lack designation signage. | 1        | -     | \$0             |
| 11                             | Commission Meeting Room | 1     |      |                         | -            |  |   | -               | This is a good example of an accessible table with knee and toe clearance.  | 1        | -     | \$0             |
| 12                             | Main Entrance           | Ext.  |      |                         | -            |  |   | -               | Recommend providing contrasting strips on stair treads at the exterior stair.   | 1        | -     | \$0             |