

# **TOWN OF ERIE**

## **ADA Access Audit and Transition Plan**

**Report to the Town Council**

**Jan. 13, 2026**

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# WHO ARE WE?

- **John McGovern, JD, Principal-in-Charge, WT Group Accessibility Practice**
- **Tatum Storey, MSW, CADAC, Principal – Operations, WT Group Accessibility Practice**
- **WT Group & Accessibility Practice History**

# ERIE PROJECT SCOPE

- **Town-owned parks, facilities, & ROW audits**
- **Review of programs and policies**
- **Website consult**
- **Community Engagement**
- **Transition Plan**
- **Final Report**

# WHAT IS ADA TITLE II?

- Title II governs the Town services, parks, right-of-way, and facilities
- Design and construction of new sites
- Audit and retrofit at existing sites
- 2010 Standards for Accessible Design, Colorado Code, smart practices

# **EXISTING SITES; PROGRAM ACCESS**

- Per US DOJ, Town “programs” to be accessible.
- Programs are broadly defined...what is a program?
- Not necessarily every existing site, or every asset, must be retrofit for access...we suggest a minimum of one of three recurring assets.
- Town can stretch schedule to meet the mandate in a way that is consistent with its resources, but must act in good faith.

# THE WTG PROCESS

- Every aspect of every element at each site
- 2010 Standards and any CO requirements that are more stringent
- Simple tools
- Checklists for QA
- Cloud-based app



## **TRANSITION PLAN MUST HAVE...**

- **Physical obstacles limiting access of programs or activities to individuals with disabilities.**
- **Methods used to make the facilities accessible.**
- **Schedule for retrofit.**
- **Indicate the responsible official.**
- **Not required, but we also provide cost references.**

# RIGHT-OF-WAY PRIORITIES

- **Priority 1: Government facilities (Town facilities and parks, public schools)**
- **Priority 2: Public accommodation (businesses and retail centers)**
- **Priority 3: Places of employment**
- **Priority 4: Other (residential areas, areas of worship, private clubs)**

# DELIVERABLES

- 27 Access Audit Site Reports
- Program and Policy Report
- Transition Plan and Pivot Table
- Final Report
- PROW Dataset and Transition Plan
- Community Engagement and Staff Training

# STRATEGIES

- Build and maintain relationships with disability advocacy groups and people with disabilities.
- Every year, budget and expend funds towards the Transition Plan.
- Brag about your work online and in print.
- Exceed the minimum requirements.

# WHAT'S NEXT?

- Accept the report and direct staff to implement the recommendations.
- Do be sure to annually budget and expend for Transition Plan retrofits.
- Staff *continues* implementation.



**THANK YOU**

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