



Agenda

Accessibility Advisory Committee

*Jordan Balla (Chair), Cheryl Coddington,
Harry Howell, Lori Piper, Allan Rudberg,
Katherine Vickers, Taylar Lewis, Lori
Hendrickson
MaryAlice Wallis (Council Liaison)
Spencer Boudreau (Council Liaison)*

Tuesday, January 21,
2025

4:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting
2nd Floor, City Hall
1525 Broadway, Longview WA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with RCW Chapter 42.30, that the Accessibility Advisory Committee of the City of Longview, Washington will conduct a Regular Meeting in the Longview City Hall 2nd Floor Training Room, 1525 Broadway, Longview, WA on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. The regular meeting is on Tuesday because of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday. The meeting is also available via Microsoft Teams.

To attend the meeting virtually use the link or information below:

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE**
4. **ELECTION OF 2025 CHAIR & VICE-CHAIR**

25-0056 SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Pursuant to the Accessibility Advisory Committee Charter, Section Committee Operation, Subsection Election of Committee Leadership, the committee is required to

elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members at the January meeting each year. Following the expiration of the Chair's term, the Vice-Chair shall automatically be nominated to the Chair position. Additional nominations for the Chair and Vice-Chair positions may be received from the committee membership.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Nominate committee members for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair

THEN:

Vote to elect committee to the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair

25-0057 Accessibility Advisory Committee Charter

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

25-0052 November 18, 2024 Regular Meeting

6. **CONSTITUENT COMMENTS**

7. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS**

8. **STAFF COMMENTS & REPORTS**

25-0058 ADA Curb Ramps Overview and Project Update - Presentation by Morgan Palmer

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

25-0054 ASL Interpreters

25-0055 AAC Subcommittee Facility Assessment of City of Longview Owned Buildings Update

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

25-0059 Emergency Planning for Individuals with Disabilities

11. **ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION**

25-0051 The next regular Accessibility Advisory Committee is scheduled for Monday, March 17, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Longview City Hall in the Training Room on the 2nd Floor, 1525 Broadway Street and via Microsoft Teams Meeting.



City of Longview Accessibility Advisory Committee (CLAAC)

Accessibility Advisory Committee Charter – Committee Operation

“Election of Committee Leadership

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City of Longview Accessibility Advisory Committee (CLAAC)

Committee Establishment

In the 2017 Work Plan, the Human Resources Department is tasked with addressing an actionable item under the Addressing Quality of Place Issues initiative. The City Council would like to complete an ADA self-assessment and transition plan that addresses access to services, activities, buildings, and right-of-ways within the City of Longview. Establishment of a City Accessibility Advisory Committee will be integral in the success of this item and addresses one of the deliverable tasks in this strategy.

- *Provide review and guidance to staff on Department of Justice requirements and general regulatory compliance as identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.*
- *Assist the City, and its staff, on accessibility determinations to current services, activities, buildings, and right-of-ways.*
- *Assist the City, and its staff, in reviewing and advising on the prioritization of projects to improve City buildings, infrastructure, right-of-ways, parking, and new development accessibility.*
- *Assist the city, and its staff, in reviewing and advising on the prioritization of projects to improve accessibility to City services and activities. Those services include, but are not limited to, parks and recreation, RiverCities Transit, and other City of Longview provided services.*

This committee will be known as the **City of Longview Accessibility Advisory Committee (CLAAC)**.

Committee Purpose

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, the City of Longview is a Title II government entity. Title II protects qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all State and local governments provided by State and local government entities.

The committee's purpose is to assist and advise the City of Longview on the most appropriate means by which to make its programs, services, activities and facilities accessible to all of its residents and visitors.

To accomplish this purpose, the committee's primary roles are:

- *Advise the City on issues related to accessibility.* In this role, the committee will act as a sounding board for City staff. Committee members will provide input when City staff is soliciting specific feedback.
- *Bring to City staff's attention issues related to accessibility.* In this role, the committee will bring issues that its members observe in the community and for which the City has jurisdiction and responsibility.
- *Provide support to the City ADA Coordinator.* In this role, the committee may be asked to advise the City ADA Coordinator, help prioritize projects, prepare letters of support, attend meetings, etc.

Members will provide advice on how to enhance accessible community resources and emergency preparedness issues for the City. The work of the CLAAC does not replace other City of Longview outreach or public involvement efforts. City staff will include the committee's input in its decision making process. Final decisions will reside with staff and City Council.

Committee Membership

Applications for appointment to be a member of the CLAAC can be submitted to the City of Longview, through the Boards and Commissions section of the City of Longview website.

[Boards & Commissions Vacancies](#)

All committee members are appointed by the Mayor with concurrence of city council.

The City may create a pool of eligible committee members as vacancies become available.

Committee Composition

The committee membership will maintain nine voting members.

The committee will maintain a goal of having over half of the members from the community with disabilities. The committee will seek to maintain representation of the following general backgrounds:

- One professional member from the building, engineering, design and architectural industry.
- One member from the local city business community
- One member, at large, from the community
- Six members with disabilities, of which one uses RiverCities Transit services, one uses the City of Longview Parks and Recreation services and one uses the City of Longview downtown business services, all on a regular basis. The remaining three members will be at large.

Committee Member Qualifications

City of Longview residents shall be preferred for membership, or full-time employees of an entity doing business within the City during the term identified below. Current City employees may not serve as voting members on the CLAAC.

Committee members shall have a demonstrated interest, experience, and commitment to issues pertaining to accessibility. The following qualifications are preferred, but not required:

One member –

Experience as a professional architect, designer/planner, contractor, engineer or other related professional in the construction of accessible facilities;

Remaining members –

A practical understanding of Title II or Title III of the ADA, or Section 504 and Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Have experience in consultation, the use of assistive technology to include the internet and/or related services.

Have experience in representing or resolving accessibility issues for people with a broad range of disabilities.

Length of Term of Appointments

The length of a full term for each appointment for all voting members of the committee shall be three years. A committee member may service a maximum of two full terms and until a successor is appointed. The maximum number of full, three year terms of service, for any appointee is two. CLAAC members must be reappointed at the end of a term for continued service to the committee.

If a new member is appointed for the remainder of an existing three year term, the member will still be eligible to service two full terms thereafter.

In establishing this committee, all initial terms will end on December 31st on the year stated in parenthesis. Those initial terms ending in 2019 will not be considered a full term.

Initial Term Period:

- One professional member, from the building, engineering, design and architectural industry. (2019)
- One member from local city business community. (2020)
- One member, at large, from the community (2021)
- One member, representing RiverCities Transit service (2019)
- One member, representing City of Longview Parks and Recreation services (2020)
- One member, representing City of Longview downtown business services (2021)
- One member, disability at large (2019)
- One member, disability at large (2020)
- One member, disability at large (2021)

Terms will begin on January 1st annually.

Ongoing Term Periods:

Ongoing full (three year) terms and set election years moving forward after initial/partial term completion

- One professional member, from the building, engineering, design and architectural industry. (Election end of 2022; 2023-2025 term)
- One member, representing RiverCities Transit service (Election end of 2022; 2023-2025 term)
- One member, disability at large (Election end of 2022; 2023-2025 term)

- One member from local city business community. (Election end of 2023; 2024-2026 term)

- One member, representing City of Longview Parks and Recreation services (Election end of 2023; 2024-2026 term)
- One member, disability at large (Election end of 2023; 2024-2026 term)
- One member, at large, from the community (Election end of 2021; 2022-2024 term)
- One member, representing City of Longview downtown business services (Election end of 2021; 2022-2024 term)
- One member, disability at large (Election end of 2021; 2022-2024 term)

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Absences

If a committee member is absent for three consecutive meetings without notice or justifiable reason, their membership will be reviewed by the committee. Committee members may be relieved of their appointment, by recommendation of the committee chair to the Mayor. The Mayor will ultimately make the decision to remove a committee member from the committee.

Committee Member Openings

When a voting member leaves the committee, and a vacancy is created, a new member will be appointed to become a voting member. See Committee Membership section for process.

The City of Longview will advertise committee openings for new members, when vacancies are created mid-term or when new terms become available. Incumbent committee members must reapply to serve an additional term.

In the 4th quarter of each year, all applications will be considered, interviewing of qualified candidates and appointments will be extended for open committee positions, to those applicants selected by the Mayor prior to the January committee meeting.

The openings shall be advertised to promote broad response and interest in the position.

Prospective appointees shall submit an application and participate in an interview process with the Mayor.

Committee Structure

The CLAAC consists of nine voting volunteer members, the City's ADA coordinator, and City staff support. From the volunteer membership, a Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected by the committee's members. The following specific roles are defined.

City ADA Coordinator:

- Acts as the City staff representative for the CLAAC.
- Brings issues on which the City is seeking input from CLAAC.
- Takes committee recommendations to appropriate City staff.
- Oversees the City's accessibility efforts across departments.

City Staff Support:

- Assist city ADA coordinator with taking minutes.
- Distribute meeting agendas, meeting minutes, and other pertinent meeting material at least one week prior to the scheduled monthly meeting.
- Provide answers to any historical questions and questions relating to City operations.
- Provide other clerical and administrative support to the CLAAC.

Chair:

- Facilitate CLAAC meetings, including working with the ADA Coordinator to draft meeting agendas.
- Request other City department representation at meetings, and mediating discussions.
- Represent CLAAC at City Council meetings and other events at which CLAAC representation would be beneficial.
- Represent CLAAC in written form as needed (e.g., letters of support).

Vice Chair:

- Support the Chair and fulfill the duties of the Chair when the Chair is either unavailable or conflicted from participation.

Committee Operation

Decision Making – Quorum and Voting

The committee will operate primarily under a consensus-building model. Committee members will attend meetings and review material as needed to learn about accessibility needs and projects. Committee members will ask questions, respect differing views, and work together to provide guidance and recommendations. When the committee is not able to agree on a specific recommendation, the recommendation of a majority of the committee will be identified as the primary recommendation, and minority opinions may be included. Committee guidance and recommendations will be provided to City staff and City Council for their consideration during final decision making.

At the Chair's discretion, a vote of the voting members may be called. In the event of a vote, a quorum shall be required and will consist of a majority of the voting members appointed to the committee [five of nine voting members must be present]. When necessary, a simple majority vote of the quorum can make a recommendation or decision. City staff cannot participate in votes or be counted towards the quorum.

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Meeting Schedule

The committee will generally hold meetings every two months. At the chair's discretion and in consultation with the City ADA coordinator, meetings may be cancelled for lack of agenda topics. A meeting schedule will be determined by the CLAAC membership.

Regular meetings will take place every other month (January, March, May, July, September and November), on the 3rd Monday from 4:00pm until conclusion at

1525 Broadway Street, Longview City Hall, 2nd Floor, Small Conference Room. At the discretion of the committee chair and committee members, special meetings can be held as needed.

During the period of COVID 19 emergency, meetings are conducted remotely via Zoom platform. Meetings were held on an as needed basis, and some regular meetings were postponed during this period. The committee reserves the opportunity to hold meetings via video based conferencing as needed during emergency declarations. When held, all committee meetings must remain open for public participation and observation.

Time Involved

The time commitment for committee participation will vary, but generally will not exceed an average of four hours a month to include a meeting and follow-up time to research issues.

Working Groups

The committee may establish working groups as required to research specific issues and make recommendations to the committee. Working groups may draw upon members from the committee, alternate committee members and may include outside resources as necessary.

Charter Amendments

Any changes or amendments to this charter will be done so at the approval of the city council.

Committee Dissolution

Under the guidelines of this committee establishment (page 1 of this document), if city council finds that there is no longer a need for the service of this advisory committee, city council can vote to dissolve the City of Longview Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Change Log

Date of Revision	Change Log	Primary Contact for Changes
June 8 th , 2017	City Council Approval establishing Accessibility Advisory Committee through Resolution 2223 Approval of committee charter.	Brian Loos, Safety/Risk Mgr. ADA Coordinator
January 31 st , 2019	Administrative revision Committee Operation – Meeting Schedule establishing regular meeting dates for the AAC.	Brian Loos, Safety/Risk Mgr. ADA Coordinator
March 2 nd , 2021	Administrative revision Addition of Length of Term Appointments, Ongoing Terms Meeting schedule during period of COVID 19 and future emergencies.	Brian Loos, Safety/Risk Mgr. ADA Coordinator



Minutes

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jordan Balla called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: *CLAAC Members Present (7) Chair Jordan Balla (on-line), Member Allen Rudberg, Member Cheryl Coddington, Member Katherine Vickers, Member Harry Howell (on-line), Member Lori Hendrickson, Member Taylar Lewis*

Absent/Excused: *Vice Chair Ashley Wagner, Member Lori Piper*

Council Liaison: *MaryAlice Wallis (on-line)*

Staff Present: *City Engineer Sam Barham, River Cities Transit Mobility Supervisor Doreen Daggett, Parks and Urban Forestry Manager Joanna Martin, Safety/Risk Manager Rashelle Douglas, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Chris Collins, Deputy City Clerk Sam Van Laer*

3. INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was recited.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

24-00899 September 16, 2024 Regular Meeting

The Committee reviewed the Minutes from September 16, 2024 and identified the following needed amendments.

1. Amend the date under the NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN section from "September 18, 2023" to "September 16, 2024."
2. Amend a staff member's name under Section 2. Roll Call from "Kith Walling" to "Keith Walling."
3. Amend the last sentence under Section 9. New Business from, "Fleet/Facilities Manager Keith Walling stated that the ACA budget covers tangible items, not services" to "Fleet/Facilities Manager Keith Walling stated that the AAC budget covers tangible items, not services."

A motion was made by Member Harry Howell, seconded by Member Allan Rudberg, to approve the Minutes of September 16, 2024 as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSTITUENT COMMENTS

None

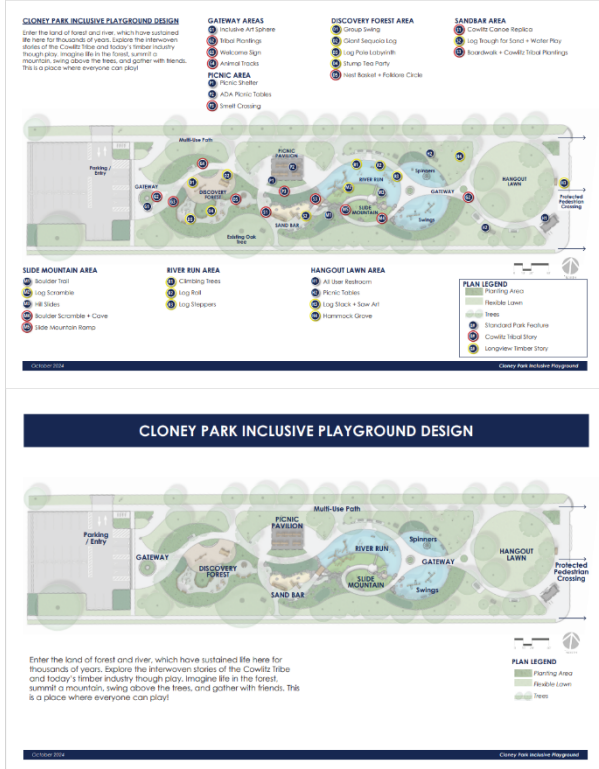
6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

Member Cheryl Coddington inquired about the Committee's budget. Safety/Risk Manager Rashell Douglas reported that the budget will roll over into the new year.

Chair Jordan Balla discussed a need for ASL interpretation. Safety/Risk Manager Rashell Douglas reported that HR had looked into the cost of this and there is no way to currently compensate the service. Douglas will review any needs for this on a case-by-case basis. The Committee wants to make sure the process for notifying the City that an interpreter is needed is explicitly stated on the website and may need to expand on what accommodations are provided.

7. STAFF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Parks and Urban Forestry Manager Joanna Martin presented the Cloney Park Inclusive Playground Design.



Committee Members inquired if reservations can be made for the Picnic Pavillion, if there are spaces to barbeque, and how many ADA parking spots are available. Martin reported that the Picnic Pavillion is not currently reservable, there are no barbeque areas, and there are five ADA parking spots and forty-four standard parking spots. Martin

reported that it will be two to three years until the space is usable and will end up with a regional park designation due to being the only inclusive park in Cowlitz County.

River Cities Transit Mobility Supervisor Doreen Daggett reported the braille bus stop signs will be installed soon.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

None

10. **ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION**

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Chair Jordan Balla adjourned the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

*Sam Van Laer
Deputy City Clerk*

Approved: _____
Chair Jordan Balla

**January 21, 2025
4:00 p.m.**

Longview City Hall 2nd Floor Training Room, 1525 Broadway, Longview, WA



ADA Curb Ramps

Overview and project update

Accessibility Advisory Committee

January 21, 2025

Morgan Palmer

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Agenda

1. What is a curb ramp and how do they fit into the City's transportation system?
2. Project update on 18th Ave ADA Ramps project
3. Future work and questions

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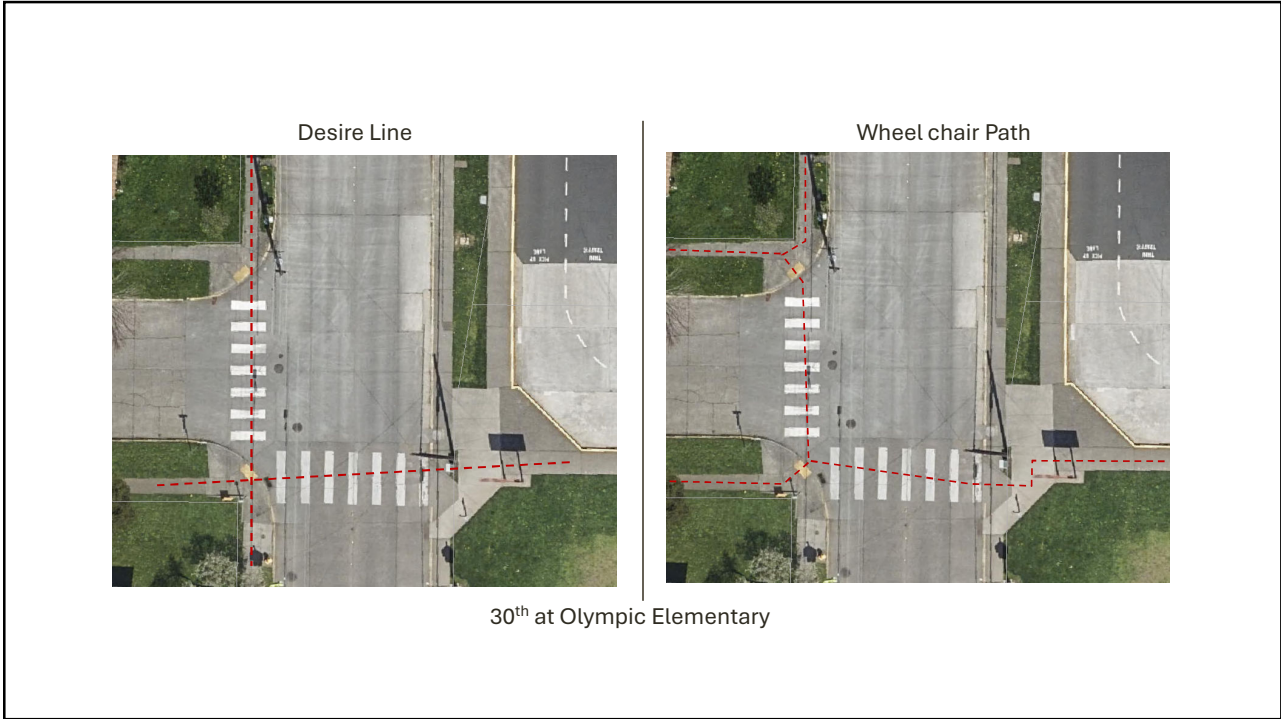
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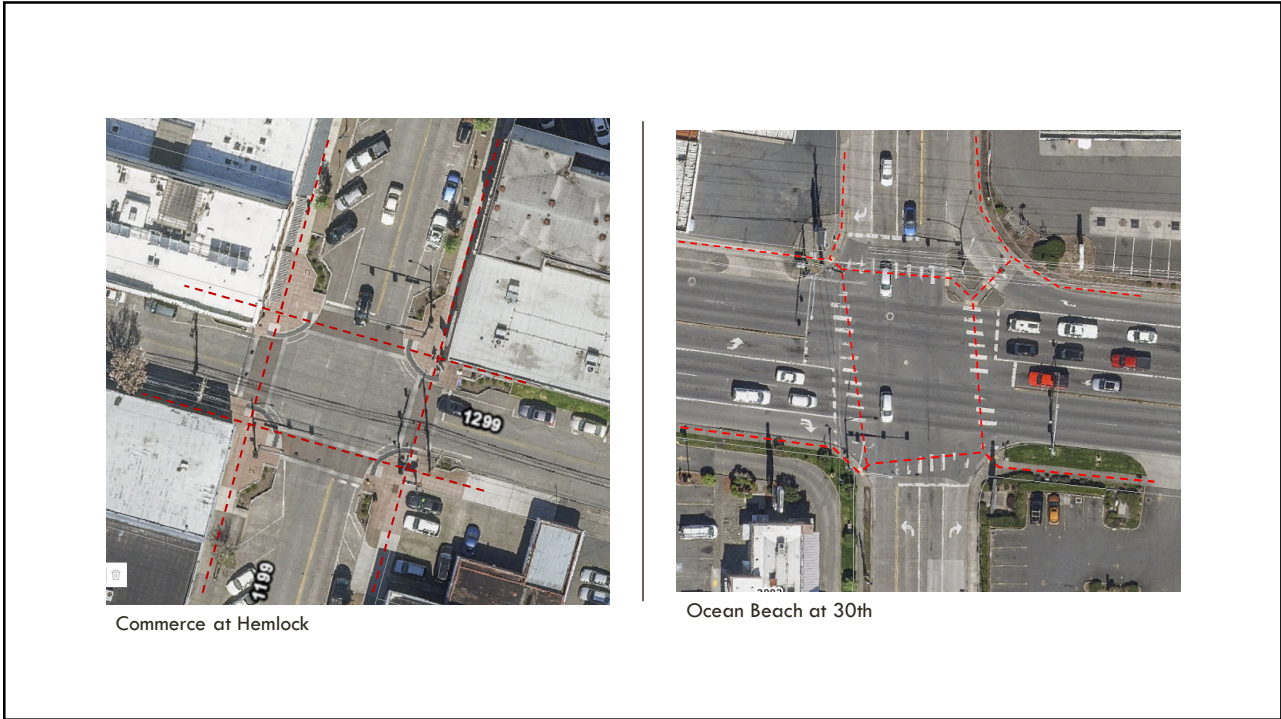
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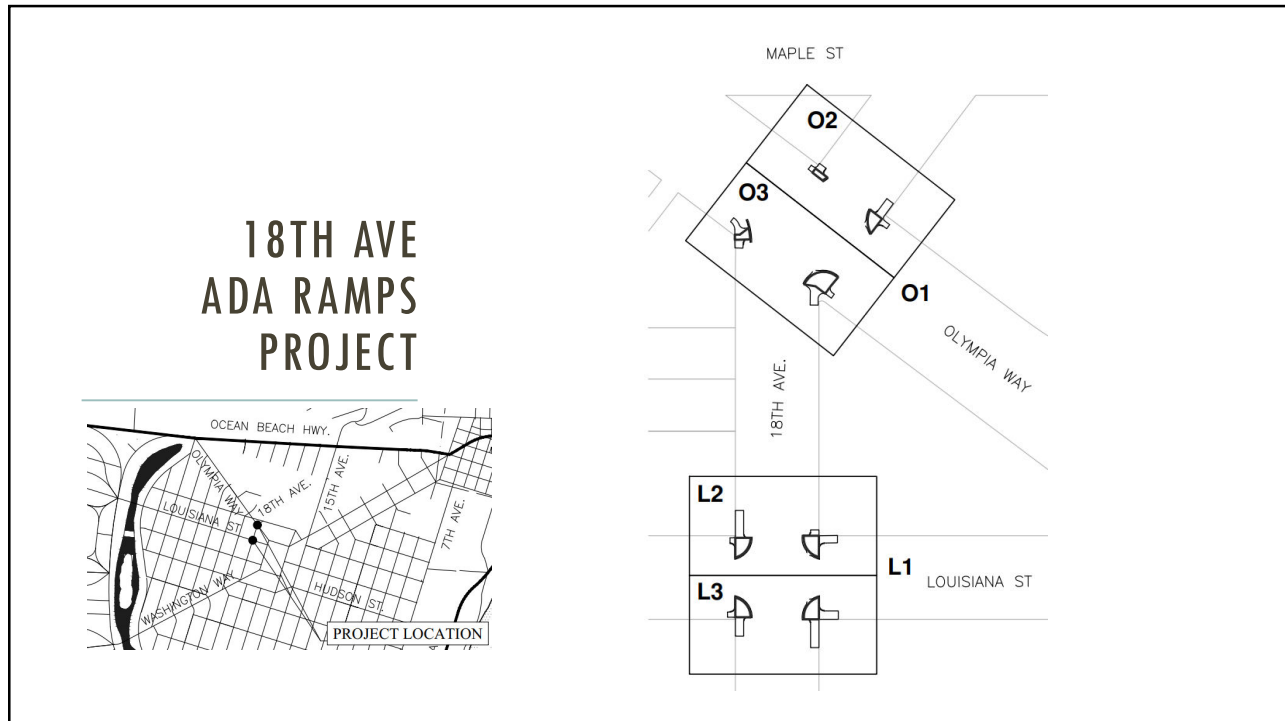
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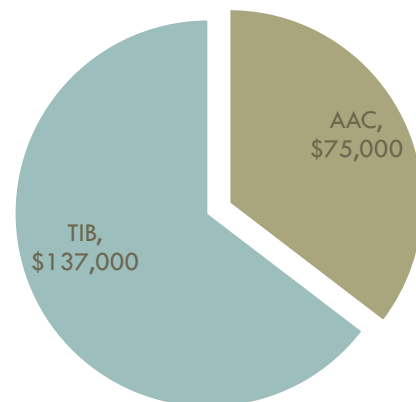
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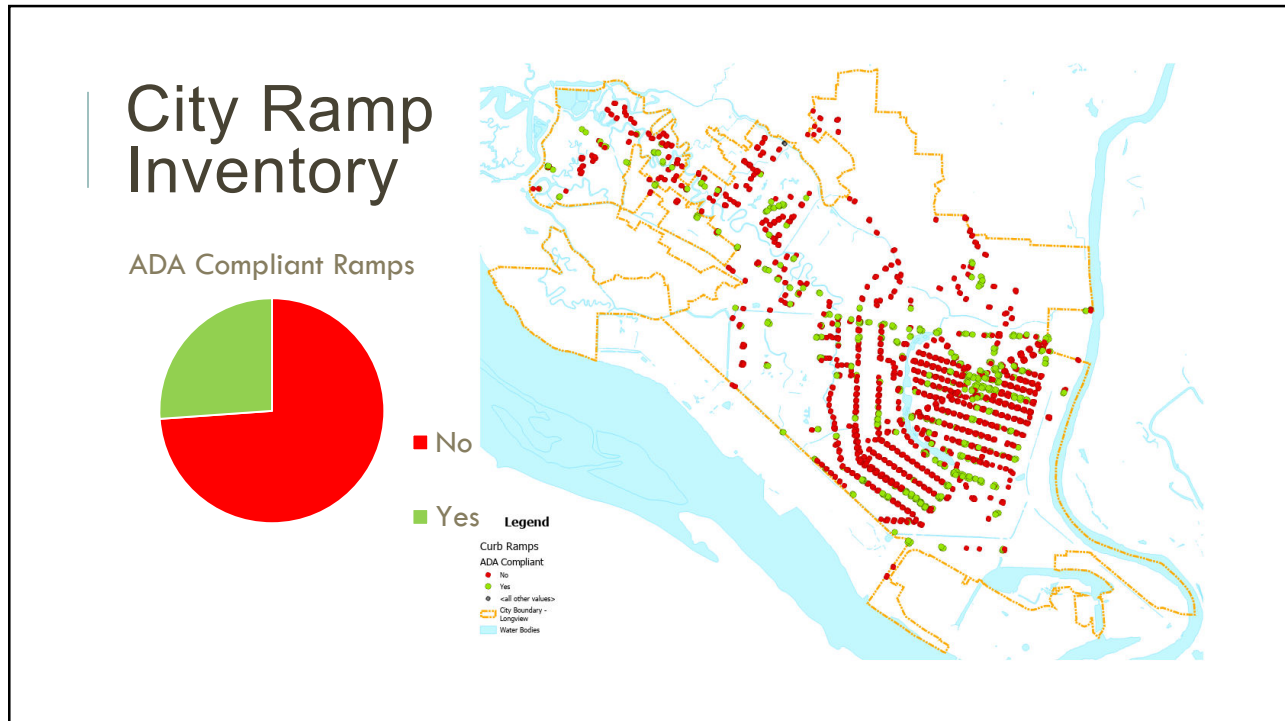
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Final Costs

Task	Cost
Preliminary Engineering	\$ 13,000
Contractor	\$ 184,000
Construction Management	\$ 15,000
Total Project Projected	\$ 212,000
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14 Ramps constructed	~ \$ 15,000 / ramp




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