

Community Building – The building is used for community events such as wedding receptions, youth sport practices, concerts, vendor exhibitions, auctions and parties.

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Vehicular Arrival/Parking: People with disabilities are able to arrive at the site in a vehicle and park in front of the Community Building on either side of a curb cut that transitions 5 inches from the street to the sidewalk. This area is primarily used as a drop off zone. The east parking site has a 14 foot disembarkment area for the passenger side of a vehicle and the west parking site has a 7 foot area to disembark for the driver. These parking sites are not designated by either striping or signage. There are no steps or ramps to the entrance.

Modification: Once the downtown revitalization project is complete, as noted in the City Hall Transition Plan, the City will have designated at least one of these parking spots as accessible. The grade in the transition from the street to the sidewalk will be compliant for accessibility as well.

Accessible Approach: There is only one route and two parking sites.

Building Access to Good and Services: Not applicable.

Signage for Goods and Services: There are no signs for goods and services.

Main Entrance and Doors: The outside concrete entrance area directly in front of the door measures 14 feet X 12 feet and easily accommodates a wheelchair. The exterior doorway is 72 inches wide and is comprised of two glass commercial doors with each side measuring 36 wide. The grab handles for the doors are easy to open from the outside and the interior side of the door has crash door push bars. The door closure allows for at least eight seconds to close. There is less than ½ inch threshold from the outside to a hard surfaced floor inside.

Foyer: The front doors lead to a foyer which is hard surfaced and measures 7 feet by 12 feet directly in front of the door, with the entire foyer measuring about three times that area. The foyer has a gradual slope of 5 inches from the main entrance to a set of double wooden doors that are never shut. This area leads to the gym floor. The double doorway to the gym measures 102 inches wide. There are no elevators, lifts, or ramps. There is a drinking fountain mounted on the wall 8 feet to the west of the front entrance. It protrudes 14 inches from the wall and is 37 inches from the floor to the water spout.

Modifications: The city will explore opportunities to address the drinking fountain's accessibility. The City has invested in a fire protection plan that will address the doorways to the gym. The City has applied for a civic center grant and hopes they will be able to implement the plan within the next year. If the grant is not awarded to the City, the city will explore other funding opportunities. But until such time, the doors will always remain open.

Controls: There are no controls.

Directional and Informational Signage: There are exit signs above the inside double doors to the gym and above the stairway doors on either side of the stage. They are lighted. Exit maps can be found on the wall on either side of the stage near the stairway doors that lead to outside exits and the stage floor. Restroom signs are located on the door of the accessible restroom off the foyer.

Main Level/Gym: The main floor is at ground level and encompasses a gym floor which is free of obstructions unless there is an event. The gym can accommodate up to 100 people at tables or 150 in rows of chairs if needed. The chairs and tables are portable and can easily be rearranged. The elevated bleachers can accommodate an additional 100 people. The bleachers are not wheelchair accessible. The stage is elevated with access by stairs on either side, they are not wheelchair accessible.

Modifications: There will be no modifications to either the bleacher stairs or stage stairs due to the age and architecture of the building.

Restrooms: There is one ADA accessible restroom on the main floor; it is located 22 feet to the right (west) of the front entrance. The floor is hard surfaced and is marked for safety when wet. There is no threshold in the doorway. The door is 36 inches wide and has a lever handle. The room is 7'6" by 5'6", with ample room for a wheelchair to turnaround. There are no stalls. The sink is 40 inches high with room for a wheelchair to roll under and the sink handles are easily reached for use. The soap dispenser is 40 inches from the floor as well as the towel dispenser. The water pipes are located under the sink wrapped insulation to avoid injury to those individuals using a wheelchair. The toilet is 17 inches from the floor with a grab bar mounted on the wall beside the toilet.

Foyer Stairway to the lower level/basement: The city discourages the use of the lower level due to accessibility issues with the stairs and restrooms, but it cannot restrict access due to the architecture of the building. The stairway is located in the southwest corner of the foyer and is 45 inches wide that is partially covered with a short nap runner that is glued to a hard surfaced floor. There are 10 steps to a landing which transitions to another set of 8 steps. At the bottom of those steps is a large landing that is covered with a short nap carpet. The large landing has a restroom on each end. The large landing leads to another set of 2 steps which end up in the main room of the basement, which is not accessible.

Modifications: No modifications will be made to the stairway due to the architecture and age of the building. The stairway is not wide enough to allow for the use of a lift

Basement Restrooms: The basement restrooms are located on either side of the large landing at the bottom of the second set of steps. The entrance to each restroom is 32 inches wide and is cut into concrete walls. There are no doors to the restrooms. The restroom is not accessible as they are only accessible by the stairway

Modification: The fire protection plan will be the only modifications to the basement as the city discourages the use of the basement.

Basement Main Room: The main room on the lower level/basement is not wheelchair accessible due to the stairs.

Modification: The city discourages but does not restrict the use of the lower level/basement as it is not accessible for wheelchairs.

Stage Stairs/Rear Exits: There are two sets of stairways leading from the gym to the stage/outdoor exit/basement and they are located on the on either side of the stage on the south wall of the Community Building. They are enclosed in a small hallway that cannot be altered. The first set of steps in each stairway consists of 8 steps going from the gym floor down to a landing that leads to an outside exit. The next set of steps in each stairway continues down from the landing to the lower level/basement. There are also 8 steps in each stairway that lead up to the stage from the gym floor. Each stairway is marked with exit signs that are lighted.

Modifications: No modifications can be made to these stairways due to the architecture of the building.