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The following is updated information related to the City of Lincoln's A.D.A. Transition Plan and the "Non-Right-of-Way Facilities" for the Public Works & Utilities Department. This information is an update to the information provided in the 1992 A.D.A. Transition Plan:

- The Engineering Services building located at 531 Westgate Boulevard is mostly not open to the general public, with the exception of the front reception area, two meeting rooms and public restrooms. On April 12, 2007, a "Walk-thru" conducted by Operations staff and utilizing "The Americans with Disabilities Act Checklist for Readily Achievable Barrier Removal" identified some minor areas where the above mentioned areas were not in compliance. All of these have been corrected making this facility compliant with A.D.A.
- Maintenance buildings located at 30th & South Street and 32nd & Baldwin Avenue continue to be locations which are not generally open to the public. These locations have been and will continue to be modified as necessary to accommodate new or existing employees. The Maintenance building located at 901 N. 6th Street is generally not open to the public, with the exception of the front reception area. This area meets the requirements of A.D.A. for Readily Achievable Barrier Removal.
- Wastewater facilities include buildings located at 2400 Theresa Street (Theresa Street Facility), 7000 N. 70th Street (Northeast Facility) and 14 wastewater pumping stations located throughout the community. The Theresa Street Facility does have a conference/meeting room, training room and restrooms in the Administration Building which are made available to the public and which are A.D.A. compliant. The remainder of the buildings located at the Theresa Street Facility are not generally open to the public. The Northeast Facility does have a conference room and restrooms in the Operations Control Center Building which can be made available to the public. Revisions to entrance doors, restrooms and additional signage would be required to be A.D.A. compliant. The cost for the access and revisions in this building are estimated to be \$9,000 to \$10,000. These revisions would be proposed in the FY 2008-09 Annual Budget. The remainder of this building is generally not open to the public. The fourteen (14) pumping stations across the community are generally not open to the public.

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- The buildings at City Landfill sites located at 5101 N. 48th Street and 6001 Bluff Road are generally not open to the public. The lunch/meeting room and the restrooms located on the first floor of the Bluff Road Maintenance Shop are A.D.A. compliant if there were need for use by the public and all Landfill buildings will be modified as necessary to accommodate new or existing employees.

- Buildings related to the Lincoln Water System are generally not open to the public, with the exception of the meeting/training rooms at the Water Service Center (2021 N. 27th Street) and Water Treatment Plant (401 Hwy. 6, Ashland, NE). Both of these meeting/training rooms are A.D.A. compliant.

- StarTran staff conducted a “Walk-thru” in March, 2007, utilizing “The Americans with Disabilities Act Checklist for Readily Achievable Barrier Removal”, the the portion of the building located at 710 ‘J’ Street which is considered generally open to the public. The “public” portion for which the review was conducted, included the main entrance, associated elevator and stairway leading to the second floor and the entire second floor. Findings of the review identified the following solutions to address barriers:

1. Change door knobs on office entrance, on the hallway door leading toward the restrooms and the meeting room doors. (Completed)
2. Install visible alarms for the fire alarm. (To be completed by January 2008)
3. Provide signs that have raised letters and braille for the front door, the building directory, the office door, the elevator main door, the elevator control button, the accessible restrooms and the directions to the accessible restrooms. (To be completed by January 2008)
4. Install visible and audible signals for elevator door opening and floor indicators. (To be completed by January 2008)
5. Modify the elevator emergency intercom so it is usable without voice communication. (To be completed by January 2008)
6. Replace restroom stall handles with levers or loop handles. (Completed)
7. Modify the wheelchair accessible stalls to meet standards. (Completed)
8. Install “grab bar” behind the toilet. (Completed)
9. Replace lavatory with one of proper depth. (To be completed by January 2008)
10. Replace soap and towel dispensers with accessible dispensers. (Completed)