2017 Annual Update to the City of Bryan ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan January 9, 2018

The City of Bryan is committed to making all of its facilities, programs, and services accessible to all residents, regardless of age or ability. As a Title II entity under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the City is obligated to perform a self-evaluation and develop a transition plan to make its facilities, programs, and services accessible.

City Council adopted an ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan prepared by consultants on August 16, 2016. Since then, City staff members have worked to implement and update the plan.

Over the past year, the City spent or encumbered funds on the following accessibility-focused efforts:

- Starting in January 2017, Engineering Services managed construction contracts for accessibility improvements to the Municipal Office Building parking lot and entrance. Construction is expected to be complete by March 2018.
- During the Texas A&M University spring semester, Engineering Services employed a student intern to evaluate 5.6 miles of sidewalk in four different geographic areas.
- In August, Streets and Drainage Services replaced a section of noncompliant sidewalk along Copperfield Drive between Williamsburg Drive and Canterbury Drive at the request of the Copperfield Homeowners Association.

The City replaced or modified sidewalks, curb ramps, and pedestrian signals as part of the following Capital Improvement Projects:

- Old Hearne Road/Wilkes Street Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements
- Saint Joseph Hospital Area Improvements
- South College Avenue Rehabilitation
- Traffic Signal Replacement at Carter Creek Parkway and Villa Maria Road
- West 26th Street Rehabilitation

In addition, the City took the following steps:

- Throughout the year, the Communications and Marketing department worked to maintain an accessible website.
- In December, Engineering Services requested qualifications from several engineering firms to design curb ramp improvements along East 29th Street for construction in 2018.
- In December, Engineering Services met with the Brazos Valley Center for Independent Living to discuss ways to report sidewalk deficiencies during 2018.

In the year ahead, the City will continue to make progress by evaluating more facilities, programs, and services as well as addressing issues identified in the transition plan. The office of the ADA Coordinator will continue to serve as a resource for the community and strive to improve access for all citizens.

For questions or comments, please email <u>ADA@bryantx.gov</u>, call 979-209-5030, or visit the Engineering Services office at 300 South Texas Avenue.

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