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MAYOR'S OFFICE

January 23, 2006

Mayor Shaw & City Council 300 Sixth Street Rapid City, SD 57701

Mayor Shaw & City Council:

Thank you for your commitment to up-date the city's ADA Transition Plan, once the plan is completed and the identified infractions are addressed and removed ALL the citizens of Rapid City will have the opportunity to enjoy the many programs and services our city has to offer.

I reviewed the information you are using to complete your ADA Transition Plan and the Checklist for Existing Facilities Version 2.1 is specifically designed for Title III, the second page of the checklist states that:

This checklist does not cover all of the requirements of the standards; therefore, it is not for facilities undergoing new construction or alternations. In addition, it does not attempt to illustrate all possible barriers or propose all possible barrier removal solutions. The standards should be consulted for guidance in situations not covered here.

The Title III regulations covers more than barrier removal, but this checklist does not cover Title III requirements for nondiscriminatory policies and practices and for the provision of auxiliary communication aids and services. The communications features covered are those that are structural in nature.

This check list is designed for existing buildings that are private businesses built before 1990. It does not cover all areas required to comply with the ADA such as policies and practices, auxiliary communication aids, swimming pools, assembly areas, parks, play structures, etc. Rapid City is required to comply with Title II - Public Entities & Public Accommodations for state and local governments.

I also reviewed the list of city owned buildings and facilities that the city has identified to complete ADA surveys on and I believe the following buildings are public access buildings that should be included on the list:

Band Shell
Lacroix Links Pro Shop
Sioux Park Track
Whitehead Softball Complex
Wilson Park Gazebo
Fitzgerald Stadium Training Building
Story Book Island –Theater, Structures

I talked to Patrick Going from the Rocky Mountain ADA & IT Center in Colorado Springs Colorado, he is very knowledgeable on ADA issues including ADA Transition Plans, and he would be happy to assist Rapid City in any way he can.

I also, have some ADA resource information that I can make available to you and I would be happy to provide you with ADA technical assistance.

Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely, Shill School

Shelly Schock

Advocacy Coordinator

Enclosure

Shelly Schock

From: Pat Going [pgoing@mtc-inc.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 3:42 PM

To: Shelly Schock

Subject: Contact Information

Hi, Shelly,

A couple of suggestions for you.

First, please remember that our main web site is www.adainformation.org, and the other really helpful site is www.adaportal.org The Portal is a great place for people to put in key words like "transition plan" and "self evaluation."

On the adainformation.org site we have a "contact us" button and then on the page that comes up is "our team." Click on "our team" and some very brief background comes up about our staff.

Hope this is what you were looking for. Pat

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