

PUBLIC INPUT ON ACCESSIBILITY TO AND USE OF CITY FACILITIES

BACKGROUND

In June of 2015, a group of city staff were tasked with assessing the needs of community members who live with disabilities. The information they gathered will be used to help direct funding to address the issues presented by community members.

The first areas of focus were access to city buildings, public spaces, and transportation infrastructure. Future engagement will focus on services and programs.

PUBLIC REACH

1 SURVEY

Online and printed surveys available to the public from 9/29/15 - 10/19/15

- 44 online surveys completed
- 5 printed surveys completed

2 PUBLIC MEETING

Public meeting held at Hills and Dales Lifetime Center

- 11 attendees



53
comments with enough detail for staff responses



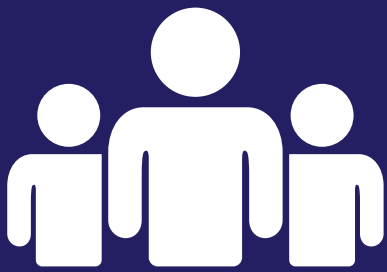
Out of the 53 comments, 28 received staff recommendations for action and 25 did not receive recommendations for action.

The 28 comments were broken down into these categories:

- Access to amenities in city parks (6)
- Restrooms in city parks (4)
- Bus stops (4)
- Lighting (3)
- Curb ramps (3)
- Sidewalks (2)
- Jule hours (2)
- Signage at the City Hall Annex (1)
- Parking (1)
- Pesticides (1)
- Pools (1)

The other 25 comments did not receive staff recommendations. Please check out the full report at www.cityofdubuque.org/ADA.





DEMOGRAPHICS

45 of 60 participants provided some demographic information

GENDER

Male:	10
Female:	30

LEVEL OF EDUCATION COMPLETED

High School:	10
Bachelor's Degree:	20
Master's Degree or higher:	9

DISABILITY STATUS

No Disability:	20
Mental Disability:	4
Physical Disability:	11
Mental & Physical Disability:	2

HOW I GET AROUND TOWN

I drive only:	34
I take the bus and have a mobility device:	4
I take the bus only:	5

SELF DISCLOSED RACE/ETHNICITY

Black / African-American:	2
White:	37
Asian:	0
Latino / Hispanic:	0
American Indian / Alaskan Native:	0
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander:	0
Other Multi-Racial:	0
Other:	0

RESIDENCE LOCATION (AREA OF TOWN)

Downtown:	3
Point Area:	4
North End:	4
South End:	4
Hill / College / Hospital Area:	8
West End:	12
I work in Dubuque but live outside of Dubuque:	5

A full report is available at www.cityofdubuque.org/ADA

This report contains:

- action recommendations
- staff feedback on public input that did not receive action recommendations
- all the public's comments



NEXT STEPS

Attend the department budget presentations in February 2016 to share additional input for the recommendations in the full report.

The departments of interest may be: Building Services, Transit (The Jule), Engineering, Parking, and Leisure Services.

To find out when the presentations will be held in early 2016 please visit www.cityofdubuque.org.