CITY OF GAINESVILLE PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS MANUAL

CHAPTER 10 - Planning and Development

DIVISION:

All Public Works Divisions

SECTION:

Not Applicable

PROCEDURE #:

10.5-1

SUBJECT:

ADA Transition Plan

EFFECTIVE DATE:

03/05/18

REVISED:

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POLICY:

The Public Works Department adopts, operates under, and complies with the Gainesville Code of Ordinances, Chapter 30 – Land Development Code; the City of Gainesville Engineering Design and Construction Manual; the Transportation Improvement Plan; City Gainesville Comprehensive Plan; and the City of Gainesville Capital Improvement Plan. The Department adopts and operates under best management practices in the maintenance, improvement and/or replacement of infrastructure. Processes are updated to meet demands as needed, incorporating staff input and new technologies.

PRACTICE:

The City has a goal outlined in the Transportation Mobility Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan to eliminate barriers for people with disabilities; the plan also outlines goals for the installation of sidewalks to enhance and encourage pedestrian mobility including provision of safe crossings and adequate sidewalk widths.

The City's Public Works Department has completed an inventory of sidewalks and ADA facilities along public roadways, and has a goal to install a minimum of 30 ADA ramps per year and 1 mile of new sidewalks per year. All roadway and sidewalk construction projects include consideration of ADA needs; ADA facilities are added where none existed or retrofitted as needed to meet current ADA standards.

The design requirements for the construction of ADA and sidewalk infrastructure are outlined in the City's Engineering Design and Construction Manual, and comply with applicable federal and state regulations.

Public Works employs professional engineers, surveyors, planners and appropriate technical personnel and maintenance specialists to assist in the implementation of ADA infrastructure.

GUIDELINES:

Transportation Improvement Plan City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan City of Gainesville Capital Improvement Plan Public Works Geodatabase American with Disabilities Act (http://www.ada.gov/)