

Police Station

Parking

There are about 20 parking spaces north of the building and around 50 west of the building. There are two 9 foot wide spaces designated accessible at the north entrance with a 5 foot wide access aisle between them. There are no accessible spaces in the west lot and no van accessible spaces on the site.

ADAAG: Parking lots with 51 to 75 total parking spaces require three accessible spaces minimum (208.2). For every six or fraction of six required accessible spaces, at least one shall be a van parking space complying with 502 (208.2.4).

Exterior Path of Travel

The curb ramp from parking to the north entrance has about a 1:8 slope. There is not a level landing between this curb ramp and the bottom of the ramp to the north entrance. The ramp to the north entrance has more than a 6 inch rise but no handrails. There is not a curb ramp from the west parking lot to the sidewalk. The west side ramp to the courtroom's outside entrance has a 1:9 slope for more than a 6 inch rise and no handrails.

ADAAG: Ramp runs shall have a running slope not steeper than 1:12 (405.2). Ramps shall have landings with slopes not steeper than 1:48 at the bottom and top of each ramp run (405.7). Ramp runs with a rise greater than 6 inches shall have handrails complying with 505 (405.8).

Entrances

The outside entrance to the courtroom, on the west side, has 18 inches of maneuvering space to the latch, pull side of the door for a hinge side approach.

ADAAG: A hinge, pull side approach requires a minimum of 36 inches to the latch, pull side of the door (404.2.4.1).

Interior Path of Travel

There is a partial second floor in this building that contains the Detective Division. This second floor is accessed by stairs.

ADAAG: At least one accessible route shall connect each story and mezzanine, in multi-story buildings (206.2.3). Exception 2: Where a two story public building has one story with an occupant load of five or fewer persons that does not contain public use space, that story shall not be required to be connected to the story above or below.

The conference room, single-user restrooms across from the conference room, and the employee restrooms have door knobs for operating devices on their doors.

ADAAG: Operable parts shall be operable with one hand and shall not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist (309.4).

Fire Alarms

There are visual alarms in the hallways, courtroom, and employee restrooms, but not in the four public restrooms.

ADAAG: Where fire alarm systems provide coverage in public use or common use areas, they shall have permanently installed audible and visual alarms (215.1 and 702.1).

Service Counters

The Records Counter is 47 inches above the floor. The reception counter is 39 inches above the floor.

ADAAG: At service counters, a portion of the counter, which is 36 inches long minimum by 36 inches high maximum, shall be provided (904.4.1).

Courtroom

There are about 80 seats in the courtroom but no wheelchair spaces.

ADAAG: Wheelchair spaces complying with 221.2 shall be provided in assembly areas with fixed seating. If there are 51 to 150 seats in an assembly area, a minimum of four wheelchair spaces are required (221.2).

There is not an assistive listening system.

ADAAG: In each assembly area where audible communication is integral to the use of the space, an assistive listening system shall be provided (219.2). Exception: Other than in courtrooms, this requirement shall not apply where there is no audio amplification.

There are three steps to the judges bench and court stations.

ADAAG: At least one accessible route shall connect accessible building entrances with all accessible spaces and elements within the building (206.2.4). Exception: Vertical access to raised courtroom stations, including judges benches, clerks stations, etc., shall not be required provided the space is adaptable to allow future installation of a means of vertical access without requiring substantial reconstruction.

Restrooms

The lavatories are in the required maneuvering space for the water closet and there are no grab bars at the water closet in the restrooms by the conference room. The employee restrooms have stalls designed for accessibility that are 38 inches wide with parallel grab bars.

ADAAG: Clearance around a water closet shall be 60 inches wide minimum (604.3.1). No other fixtures shall be located within the required water closet clearance (604.3.2). Grab bars shall be provided on the rear wall and on the side wall closest to the water closet (604.5).

The door swings into the required maneuvering clearance for the lavatories in the restrooms by the conference room. Their lavatory pipes are not insulated and there is 12 inches (women) and 15 inches (men) of maneuvering space to the latch, pull side of their doors.

ADAAG: Doors shall not swing into the clear floor space or clearance required for any fixture (603.2.3). Water supply and drain pipes under lavatories shall be insulated or otherwise configured to protect against contact (606.5). A forward approach requires 18 inches of maneuvering space to the latch, pull side of doors (404.2.4.1).

The mirrors in all six restrooms are 44 inches above the floor.

ADAAG: Mirrors shall be installed with the bottom edge of the reflecting surface 40 inches maximum above the floor (603.3).

The showers are not accessible in the employee restrooms and the urinal in the men's employee restroom is in a 67 inch deep alcove that is 31 inches wide.

ADAAG: The width of an alcove shall be 36 inches minimum where the depth exceeds 24 inches (305.7).

Drinking Fountains

The drinking fountain does not have knee space and the water spout is 40 inches above the floor.

ADAAG: No fewer than two drinking fountains, or a hi-lo fountain, shall be provided. Half of fountains shall be wheelchair accessible (211.2). Accessible units shall have knee and toe clearance complying with 306 and water spouts 36 inches high maximum (602).