



**CITY OF THE DALLES**  
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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**DEADLINE:** April 23, 2019

**PURPOSE:** AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) TRANSITION PLAN  
30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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**FOR RELEASE:** IMMEDIATELY

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A 30-day public comment period for the 2019 Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan (ADA Transition Plan) will be open from April 23 to May 22, 2019. The City booth at the Northwest Cherry Festival Community Fair will feature the ADA Transition Plan. Stop by the booth to take a look at the plan and fill out a short survey. Staff will be available to answer questions.

The purpose of The Dalles ADA Transition Plan is to focus on addressing accessibility and connectivity by developing a transition schedule for eliminating existing physical barriers within transportation system right-of-ways. Planned changes include installation of curb ramps at intersections and accessible pedestrian signal technologies that provide sound indicators as well as lighted cross walk signals at intersections where vehicle traffic lights are installed.

The City of The Dalles 2017 Transportation System Plan (TSP) was designed to guide investments in the transportation system in the public right-of-way over the next 20 years. The TSP will ensure that future projects do not create new physical barriers to individuals with disabilities.

Implementation of changes to existing facilities represent a significant investment in local infrastructure over the next sixty years. The City is seeking public comments about the proposed funding strategy, priority areas for accessible installations and the proposed transition schedule.

The entire draft ADA Transition Plan and a three question survey are available online at [thedalles.org/engineering](http://thedalles.org/engineering) or in paper format at the following locations:

- Public Works Department – 1215 West First Street
- Mid-Columbia Senior Center – 1112 West Ninth Street
- The Dalles Public Library – 722 Court Street

For more information about the ADA Transition Plan visit the City website [thedalles.org/engineering](http://thedalles.org/engineering) or contact the Public Works Department at (541) 296-5401.

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