



**Date:** February 26, 2019

**To:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**From:** Patrick H. West, City Manager 

**Subject:** Public Outreach for ADA Self Evaluation & Transition Plan: Pedestrian Facilities

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In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, and per the *Ochoa* settlement, the City has completed the data collection for the updated self-evaluation of pedestrian facilities. A citywide field assessment was conducted by Psomas and Cole & Associates to identify various barriers to safe and equal access to pedestrian facilities in the rights-of-way. This includes curb ramps, curbs, crosswalks, and sidewalks. The next step in this process is to report findings of the self-evaluation to the public and solicit public input regarding barriers that are most important to them.

Staff will be conducting two public information sessions. The first session will be hosted by the Citizen's Advisory Commission on Disabilities in the City Council Chambers on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. The second session will be held at Michelle Obama Library on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Please see the attached flyer for more information. Additionally, a survey will be conducted to provide a general understanding of ways that the City could improve accessibility. Input from the survey will also help guide the City in prioritizing pedestrian facility improvements. The outreach and survey will commence today and conclude on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Information collected from the public information sessions and the survey will help finalize the transition plan. Psomas and Cole & Associates are expected to deliver the final transition plan and implementation schedule to the City by the end of April 2019. However, the *Ochoa* class counsel is entitled up to a 30-day review of the final document once the City receives it from the consultant, meaning this part of the process could officially conclude at the end of May 2019.

I encourage the Mayor and City Council to share information on the public outreach process with constituents via newsletters, social media, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Heather Blackmun, Accessibility Coordinator, at (562) 570-6257 or [heather.blackmun@longbeach.gov](mailto:heather.blackmun@longbeach.gov).

Attachment

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# Learn about ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan for Pedestrian Facilities

We want to hear from you regarding accessibility barriers in the right of way. Take the survey!  
<http://bit.ly/PedestrianFacilitiesLB>



## **Public Hearing #1/ Special Meeting of CACoD**

Tuesday, March 12  
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
City Council Chamber  
333 W. Ocean Blvd.  
Long Beach, CA 90802

## **Public Hearing #2**

Wednesday, March 13  
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm  
Michelle Obama Library  
5870 Atlantic Avenue  
Long Beach, CA 90805

For questions, special accommodations\* to attend either meeting or to have this information in an alternate format, please contact Citywide Accessibility Coordinator Heather Blackmun at (562) 570-6257 or [Heather.Blackmun@longbeach.gov](mailto:Heather.Blackmun@longbeach.gov)

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