

U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division

Disability Rights Section - NYA 950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20530

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Mr. Jim Clinton Mayor City of Bend, Oregon P.O. Box 431 Bend, OR 97709

RE: Project Civic Access review of the City of Bend, Oregon

DJ No. 204-61-145

Dear Mayor Clinton:

As you are aware, an investigation was conducted under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 12181-12189, by the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice (Department) of the City of Bend (City) in Oregon. The investigation was conducted under the Department's Project Civic Access (PCA) initiative. Under PCA, the Department works cooperatively with selected towns, cities and counties across the Country to ensure that state and local government programs, services, activities, and facilities are accessible to individuals with disabilities.

The Department has monitored the City's compliance with the PCA Settlement Agreement since it became effective on September 14, 2004. Since that date, the City has submitted documentation, photographs, reports, and other evidence, to demonstrate the City's progress.

Relying upon the evidence submitted by the City, thus far, the Department is now satisfied that your City has acceptably progressed in compliance with the Settlement Agreement, and we are, therefore, closing our files on this review as of the date of this letter. However, the City's obligation to complete all remaining remedial actions within the agreed-upon time frame remains.

This letter is limited to the areas addressed and completed in the Settlement Agreement for DJ No. 204-61-145 as described above and does not address the resolution of any other alleged violations of the ADA or other federal laws that may exist or arise.

Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, the Department may be required to release this letter as well as other correspondence and records related to the complaint in response to a request from a third party. Should we receive such a request, we will safeguard, to the extent permitted by FOIA, the release of information that constitutes an unwarranted invasion of privacy.

We truly appreciate the time and effort already invested by the City and its staff to bring this matter to a positive resolution. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us at (202) 307-1084, or Terry.Fulton@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Terry D. Fulton, Investigator

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