

**PARATRANSIT
PLAN UPDATE**

1993

for the
Mason City ADA Plan

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**THE MASON CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM
PARATRANSIT PLAN UPDATE
1993**

I. IDENTIFICATION OF SUBMITTING ENTITY

Agency:

North Iowa Area Council of Governments
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Director: Doug Elliott
Planner: Krista Billhorn

Transit Provider:

Mason City Transit
City Hall
19 S Delaware
Mason City, Iowa 50401
Transit Director: Charles Hammen

Paratransit Provider:

Easter Seal Society of Iowa
525 First Street NE
Mason City, IA 50401
Transit Coordinator: Kevin Kramer

II. PROGRESS REPORT ON MILESTONES

The first comprehensive Mason City ADA Plan was completed in January 1992 and submitted to the Federal Transit Authority. The plan was returned for revisions by August 1992. A two month vacancy and turn-over of the Transportation Planner was experienced at NIACOG, and very little revisions were made in the ADA plan.

A new Transportation Planner began rewriting the ADA Comprehensive Plan in October and submitted it in November of 1992. Formal approval of the plan has not been determined. Word of full compliance is hoped to arrive the summer or fall of 1993. In the mean time, this ADA Plan Update needed to review the ADA compliance efforts of the 1992 year.

With the vacancy of the transportation planner at NIACOG, the unknown approval of the first comprehensive ADA Plan, and the limited city hall staff time devoted to the transit system, very little effort was made toward gradual compliance to ADA. No efforts were made toward the Eligibility Process and the application forms, no organization for setting up a new structure, and no public participation was solicited by the city or transit system.

A number of accomplishments needed to take place and the NIACOG Transportation Planner began organizing efforts to begin the ADA Eligibility Process. Public Hearings were held on the Comprehensive Plan, development of the Eligibility Application Form, the ADA Update and the Eligibility Review Panel.

The NIACOG Planner met with the Mason City Accessibility Task Force to discuss the issues the city and transit system needed to address to determine the best manner in approaching a new complex process for the community. The Mason City Accessibility Task Force includes persons from all areas of interest and is open to the public. The Task Force addresses Accessibility issues within the city, enforcing businesses and public offices to make the buildings accessible.

The planner also met with human service groups, including, hospitals, counseling, family crisis centers, nursing homes, handicap activity centers, etc., who's clients would be affected by the new ADA Eligibility Process. Volunteers were solicited from these many diverse groups and the Eligibility Review Panel was formed.

The Eligibility Application Form was completely revised from the 1992 comprehensive ADA Plan. The human service groups gave important considerations needed to determine a person's ability to use a fixed-route system, which is currently inaccessible.

Once the questions were refined and a final format, as well as a braille form, were developed, printed copies were sent to all participating human service groups for their client's benefit. Training sessions were held for counsellors who would help the clients. A newspaper article was printed, public service announcements were sent

to all media, and articles and application forms were sent in agency newsletters. Application forms were to be available to the public in January, but was not actually available until March 22, 1993. At this time, the Eligibility Panel had held training sessions and agreed to a rotation schedule organized for application reviewing for the next six months.

The Transit Director of Mason City is the Administrative Services Director, has one staff person and devotes little time to the transit system. This delayed actions the transit system could have made toward ADA compliance during the 1992 year. The NIACOG Planner and paratransit coordinator have organized the current Mason City ADA process.

A new contract has been developed between the Mason City Transit System and the Easter Seal Society of Mason City, which provides the paratransit services, to meet the new ADA requirements and to supplement the additional costs of implementing the new ADA paratransit services, resulting from the Eligibility process.

Mason City Transit is hoping for full ADA compliance by the year 1997. At this time, the City will have purchased all new accessible vehicles. Each route will have an accessible vehicle with accessible back-up vehicles. However, in the year 1995, the City transit and Easter Seals paratransit service will have the same service hours, service area, and comparable fares. Easter Seals will charge \$1.00 per one way ride and City Transit will charge \$0.50 per one way ride.

A milestone schedule on page 6 displays all accomplishments from the year 1992 and desired achievements until 1997.

III. DEMAND ESTIMATE

Please see attached forms, pages 11-13. Please note on Page 12, "ADA Paratransit Budget Estimates - Five year Demand and Vehicle Estimate" shows paratransit trips per year to be lower than the "1992 Mason City Transit ADA Plan." The 1993 projected estimate, 25,600, is 6400 less trips than the ADA Plan's estimates, 32,000 trips. This is due to the 1992 actual numbers and a more precise estimation from Easter Seals.

Beginning in 1993, the Eligibility process will be put into place. In FY1994 the Easter Seals' fares will decrease for the Eligible riders. The number of rides is seen to increase due to the lower fares and a continual number of people becoming eligible for the paratransit service. Page 12 of this Update shows the demand estimates for paratransit trips from 1993 to 1997. Please note the increases of 1500 per year. Easter Seals receives 40 new requests each month from residents wishing to become a permanent demand response user. There is a prediction of an increase of elderly persons and persons with disabilities who will apply for eligibility to use the paratransit service, hence the yearly increase of 1500 each year.

Easter Seals has eight vehicles for demand response service as shown on page 12. Six of them are buses and 2 are vans. Two other vehicles are completely out of commission.

IV. BUDGET

Please see attached forms, pages 9 and 10.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation was involved in planning and developing the Eligibility Process. The Accessibility Task Force was a good starting point to recruit members to the Eligibility Panel. A few of the persons representing the Accessibility Task Force have disabilities who use the transit system and they are able to remain objective to the Eligibility Process.

The Council of Social Agencies, (COSA), also gave guidance to the Eligibility Process. These people are counselors of persons who are potentially eligible for ADA paratransit service. The Planner from NIACOG met with them January 20, 1993, to discuss how they can help their clients through the Eligibility process. They reviewed the ADA plan to understand the issue before the application process began. It is hoped the agencies will be helpful to the persons applying for eligibility in the transit system. Many of the COSA members have become Application Pick-up sites. The Administrative Services Director of Mason City has written a letter of appreciation to these agencies for their assistance in the upcoming months.

The Mason City Transit System will be dependent on the many human service agencies in the area to assist applicants in the paratransit eligibility and appeals process.

The Eligibility process was hoped to be completed in May and the paratransit service for eligible persons will begin in July 1993. However, the applications have not been received as often as first thought. The Eligibility process will continue to be steady, and any newcomer to the transit system will need to apply. Mason City and Easter Seals have agreed to begin the ADA service on July 1, 1993 and a new contract will be developed due to increased funds and services needed by Easter Seals for this first year.

Upon the arrival of a visitor needing paratransit service, he or she will be required to complete an Eligibility Application form. The person is eligible from the moment he or she requests an application form up to 21 days from the date the application is received. After the 21 days, the visitor will be determined eligible or ineligible by the Eligibility Panel.

When the Mason City Transit route study is completed, a public hearing will be held to discuss the new, if any, routes and time schedules and to implement the changes.

A public hearing was held to approve this update, (See attachments). All public hearing announcements state persons needing accessible formats or requiring special needs for meetings to notify the City Hall. Documents are available in braille and large print.

Mason City Transit System ADA Plan Schedule of Milestones:

MILESTONE	DATE TO BE ACCOMPLISHED	ACTUAL DATE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT
Meet with Interest Groups: Accessibility Task Force, Council of Social Agencies, City Council Meetings, Agency Newsletters	1/93 - 2/93	1/93 - 2/93
Purchase TDD machine for Easter Seals	2/93	2/10/93
Meet with Accessibility Task Force	1/93	1/93
Eligibility Applications Available to public	1/27/93	3/22/93
Establish Eligibility Panel	1/93	3/4/93
Eligibility Application Review Process Begins	1/93	3/30/93
Mason City Transit Route Study	3/93	10/93
Implement Route Study Changes	6/93	11/93
Implement Fare and Service Hours changes and Eligibility status for Paratransit rides	7/1/93	7/1/93
Full ADA Compliance All vehicles, hours, fares, eligibility	7/1/97	Expected

VI. UNRESOLVED ISSUES

The unresolved issues of concern are the first steps toward ADA compliance which were not achieved in 1992. Mason City is somewhat behind according to the adopted ADA Plan. The upcoming months will witness many events which will complete a large part toward full compliance. Please see the Public Participation, section V., for detailed information on the past few months of 1993.

Three new accessible vehicles were purchased in October of 1992. These vehicles are now in use, however, they are not specifically assigned to a fixed route. Persons with disabilities have used the accessible buses on the fixed route. This inturn slows down that route and the driver is unable to meet the next scheduled route and other passengers miss their transfer. Many persons have called the Transit Director each day inquiring which route an accessible bus will be traveling. The Director never guarantees an accessible bus on a specific route, although the drivers never turn down a person waiting for the bus. An upcoming route study will help to determine better headway times and whether or not the transit system is covering the city in the best manner possible.

One ongoing issue of great concern to many transit users involves a vocational learning center and the fixed route. The riders traveling daily to the vocational center account for 15,000 rides per year. However, the fixed route only came within five blocks of the center, so the paratransit service provided service to these passengers at a lower cost. To maintain the level of service currently provided under the new ADA law and the new establishment of service to Mason City, it would cost the City \$60.00 an hour to continue the paratransit service to the vocational center. Because this was so costly, the Transit Director changed the route to accomodate the vocational center in addition to one elderly disabled woman. This service will not begin until August of 1993 and will be discussed in more detail in the 1994 ADA Plan Update due in January of 1994.

VII. OTHER ISSUES

Other than the development and start of the Eligibility Process and request of accessible vehicles in the development plan, no significant changes have occurred since the submission of the 1992 Plan. As things progress during the 1993 calendar year, there may be a need to change parts of the original Plan. However, this is not foreseen as of yet and the process is going according to the plan. The city will remain flexible to comments and concerns that may arise.

A form has been developed to address any possible capacity constraints. The Easter Seals paratransit service will keep track of the paratransit service statistics. Please see the form on page 20 in the back of this Update.

IV. BUDGET

5-YEAR CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET DEFINITIONS
ADA PARATRANSIT BUDGET ESTIMATES RELATIVE TO TOTAL BUDGET
 2nd Year Update - January 1993
 (in thousands of 1992 dollars)

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
TOTAL SYSTEM REVENUE (\$000)					
Capital					
Federal.....	57	98	154	77	76
State.....	0	0	0	0	0
Local.....	20	25	46	18	19
Private Sector/Other.....	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal Capital	<u>77</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>
Admin. & Operating					
Farebox.....	136	86	65	65	65
Agency Contracts.....	0	0	0	0	0
Federal.....	28	32	43	48	50
State.....	103	105	119	125	128
Local.....	71	67	111	121	125
Private Sector/Other.....	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal Ad./Oper.	<u>338</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>368</u>
TOTAL REVENUE (Capital & Ad./Oper.)	<u>338</u>	<u>413</u>	<u>538</u>	<u>454</u>	<u>463</u>

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
TOTAL SYSTEM EXPENSES (\$000) (Bus, rail, para., et. al)					
Capital Expenses					
Non-ADA Paratransit Cap...	0	0	0	0	0
ADA Paratransit Capital					
Vehicle Costs.....	77	123	200	95	95
Any Costs Other Than					
Paratransit.....	0	0	0	0	0
Total System Capital	<u>77</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>
Memo: # Vehicles ADA.....					
Admin. & Operating					
Non-ADA Paratransit Costs.	0	0	0	0	0
ADA Paratransit Costs.....	30	50	90	155	160
Any Costs Other Than					
Paratransit.....	0	0	0	0	0
Total System Ad./Oper.	<u>30</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>160</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES (Capital & Ad./Oper.)	<u>107</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>255</u>

IV. BUDGET, (Continued)

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
Total ADA Paratransit Expenses					
Capital.....	77	123	200	95	95
Ad./Operating.....	0	50	90	155	160
Total Non-ADA Paratransit Expenses					
Capital.....	3	0	0	0	0
Ad./Operating.....	30	0	0	0	0
Total Paratransit Expenses					
(ADA & Non-ADA).Capital...	<u>77</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>
(ADA & Non-ADA).Ad/Oper...	<u>30</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>160</u>

NOTE: All vehicles purchased are lift equipped. Determination of vehicle use on fixed-route or demand-response to be made later.

ADA PARATRANSIT BUDGET ESTIMATES
 5-YEAR CAPITAL & OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY
 (in thousands of 1992 dollars)

l i n e	Actual	PROPOSED →					5-Year Total	
	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>92-97</u>	
ADA PARATRANSIT EXPENSES (using a ratio to breakout ADA from Total Paratransit costs is acceptable.)								
1	Capital Expenses	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>147</u>
2	Operating Expenses	<u>30</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>650</u>
3	Subtotal ADA Paratransit Expenses (lines 1 + 2)	<u>33</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>201</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>797</u>
TOTAL PARATRANSIT EXPENSES (ADA & Non-ADA combined)								
4	Capital Expenses	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>147</u>
5	Operating Expenses	<u>30</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>650</u>
6	TOTAL PARATRANSIT EXPENSES (lines 4 + 5)	<u>33</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>201</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>797</u>

In 1991, the paratransit costs for our transit system were \$ 20,000

ADA PARATRANSIT BUDGET ESTIMATES
5-YEAR DEMAND AND VEHICLE ESTIMATE

ADA PARATRANSIT BUDGET ESTIMATES
5-YEAR DEMAND AND VEHICLE ESTIMATE

Jan. 93	Actual <u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	5-Year Total <u>92-97</u>
Number of ADA Paratransit Trips/year	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>25,750</u>	<u>27,170</u>	<u>28,595</u>	<u>30,020</u>	<u>111,535</u>
Number of Total Paratransit Trips/year	<u>26,977</u>	<u>25,600</u>	<u>27,100</u>	<u>28,600</u>	<u>30,100</u>	<u>31,600</u>	<u>169,977</u>
No. of ADA Paratransit Trips DENIED (DENIED each year because of capacity constraints/other)	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>	<u>0*</u>
Number of Paratransit Vehicles -- Vans	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Number of Paratransit Vehicles -- Buses	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

* No actual "ADA" Paratransit trips served, however, see "Total Paratransit Trips/year"
1992 = 26,977
1993 = 25,600

TOTAL SYSTEM BUDGET ESTIMATES
5-YEAR CAPITAL & OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY
(in thousands of 1992 dollars)

l i n e	Actual						5-Year
	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>92-97</u>
	TOTAL SYSTEM EXPENSES						
1	<u>77</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>200*</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>685,000</u>
2	<u>260</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>539</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>442</u>	<u>2310</u>
3	<u>337</u>	<u>413</u>	<u>542</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>2995</u>
	(lines 1 + 2)						
	TOTAL SYSTEM REVENUE						
4	<u>337</u>	<u>413</u>	<u>542</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>2995</u>
5	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>-----</u>
	(line 4 - 3)						
6	<u>33</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>201</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>797</u>
	TOTAL ADA PARATRANSIT EXPENSES						

*189,200 vehicles + 11,400 radios, fare boxes, destination signs.

APPENDIX

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**BEYOND PARATRANSIT:
ANALYZING OTHER ADA FOR
FIXED-ROUTE PUBLIC SERVICE**

Access to Vehicle Dispatch/Ride Reservations

A TDD machine, Superprint 200, will be purchased February 3, 1993 and placed for use at the Easter Seals dispatch office. The fixed-route service does not have a dispatch service.

There will be no extra charge for service through a TDD machine.

These arrangements will be publicized in all newly developed system literature and other media advertising by July 1, 1993.

The Easter Seals Society and Council of Social Agencies will conduct any special outreach to inform persons who are hearing impaired of the TDD machine and its access.

Access to System Information

None of the current system literature is available in accessible formats. New literature will be developed for the fixed-route and paratransit service for use beginning July 1, 1993.

This new literature will have a paragraph stating nondiscrimination on the part of the City by race, color, religion, disability, etc.

Special outreach to persons with disabilities will be through the Easter Seals Society and the Council of Social Agencies, which has members from nearly 50 human service agencies in the Mason City area.

Access to Ticket/Token/Passes/ID Outlets

When the identification cards are issued for eligible paratransit service, they will be mailed to the eligible persons. Easter Seals and the Council of Social Agencies will help out with any difficulty involved in mailing. The Easter Seals office is accessible.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Transit Function</u>	<u>Site Accessible</u>	<u>Public Amenities Available</u>	<u>Public Amenities Accessible</u>
Mason City City Hall (passes & Tokens)	Fixed-Route	Yes	Drinking Fountain, Restrooms	Drinking Fountain, Restrooms

Transit Meetings Access

The following lists the locations of all the transit-related meetings:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Accessible Site</u>	<u>Accessible Amenities</u>
City Council (Transit staff, and Board Mtgs).	Public Library	Yes	Drinking Ftn. Restrooms
Budget Meeting	City Hall	Yes	Drinking Ftn. Restrooms

Access to Work Place

The following locations list any transit-related work areas and the accessibility of each:

<u>Worksite</u>	<u>System Employees or contractors</u>	<u>Site Accessible</u>	<u>Amenities Accessible</u>
Admin. Office	Employees	Yes	Drinking Ftn Restrooms
Dispatching	None		
Driver Staging Area	Employees	No	None
Vehicle Maint.	Employees	No	None
Purchasing Office, City Hall	Employees	Yes	Drinking Ftn. Restrooms
Coordinator/ Outreach	None		

**ADA NEEDS ANALYSIS
FOR DEMAND RESPONSIVE PUBLIC TRANSIT**

ACCESS TO VEHICLE DISPATCH/RIDE RESERVATIONS

Mason City will provide Easter Seals with a TDD machine for the dispatch operations of Easter Seals. The machine should be in operation by the end of February. All transportation services provided by Easter Seals will be served by the TDD machine and there will be no greater cost to use the TDD machine.

There will new transportation system information developed and printed by July 1, 1993, a deadline for further ADA compliance by Mason City and Easter Seals service. This information will state the availability and other arrangements.

Outreach to inform individuals of the TDD will be discussed between Mason City Transit Administrator and the Easter Seals Transportation Manager. Outreach may involve mailing the information to individuals in the accessible formats needed, and/or through the human service programs the individuals in which they may be active.

ACCESS TO SYSTEM INFORMATION

July 1, 1993 will be the date the Mason City Transit System and the Easter Seals demand-response service will have accomplished more toward compliance. At this time, new informational materials will be developed. Persons with visual impairments will then have access to this information via audio tape, braille versions, or large print versions.

The information will state the transit service is open to all individuals, including those with disabilities.

The Council of Social Agencies and other human service agencies will be informed of all progress toward ADA compliance within the transit system and the accessibility of the system.

ACCESS TO TICKET/TOKEN/PASS/ID OUTLETS

The Easter Seals office does not issue tickets, tokens or passes. They only accept cash fare with one exception, the demand-response service accepts tickets issued to persons belonging to the Silver Advantage Group who issues tickets to individuals through their membership. Silver Advantage sends tickets by mail to individuals who call and ask for some. Persons who are hearing impaired may send a note stating they need more or may contact their care giver. A 1-800 telephone number is available.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Transit Function(s)</u>	<u>Site Accessible</u>	<u>Public Amenities Available</u>	<u>Public Amenities Accessible</u>
Silver Advantage	Issue tickets to members	Yes	Restrooms Drinking Ftn. Cafeteria Information/phone	Same

SERVICE ACCESSIBILITY

<u>Service</u>	<u>Accessible Vehicle</u>	<u>Means for Providing Access</u>
School System 2 High schools 1 Alternative school 3 Middle schools 7 Elementary schools 1 Headstart of Mason City	# 1, 2	Non-compliant lift
North Iowa Vocational Center	# 3,4,5,7, or 8	Non-compliant lift
Day Activity	# 4 or 7	Non-compliant lift
Mason City Demand-Response	# 1,2,3,4,5,7,8 # 6 # 9	Non-compliant lift Non-compliant ramp Accessible
Cerro Gordo Transit	# 9	Accessible
Activity Trips	# 1,2,3,4,5,7,8, # 6	Non-compliant lift Non-compliant ramp

TRANSIT MEETING ACCESS

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Accessible Site</u>	<u>Accessible Amenities</u>
Board Meeting Budget	Easter Seals, Des Moines, IA	Yes	Restrooms Drinking ftn. Vending
Staff Meeting	Easter Seals, Mason City	Yes	Restrooms Vending
Planning, Advisory, Local Budget	Mason City City Hall	Yes	Restrooms Drinking ftn.
Public Hearings	Mason City Library	Yes	Restrooms Drinking ftn.

ACCESS TO WORKPLACE

<u>Worksite</u>	<u>System Employees or Contractor</u>	<u>Site Accessible</u>	<u>Amenities Accessible</u>
Easter Seals Office	System Emp.	Yes	Restrooms, Vending
Bus Garage	System Emp.	No	None

FLEET ACCESSIBILITY

FLEET ID #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
VEHICLE MAKE	1983 Ford	1986 Chev	1977 Chev	1984 Int.	1981 Chev	1989 Renault	1987 Ford	1981 Chev	1992 Ford
VEHICLE LENGTH	18	20	20	28	20	15	28	20	18
ADA LIFT	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Not ADA	Yes
ADA RAMP	No	No	No	No	No	Not ADA	No	No	Yes
ADA HEADROOM	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
ADA SECUREMENT LOCATIONS	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
ADA SECUREMENT SYSTEMS	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
ADA LIGHTING	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
ADA PRIORITY SEATING	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
ADA HANDRAILS	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes

NOTE:

'Not ADA' = Not up to ADA compliance standards.
 Vehicles # 5 and # 8 are leased from Mason City.

PARATRANSIT SERVICE STATISTICS

Monthly Trip Statistics:

Total one-way trips requested _____
Total one-way trips scheduled _____
Total unmet trip requests _____
 *Unmet ADA paratransit eligible requests _____
 *Other unmet requests _____
Total one-way trips canceled _____
Total no-shows _____
Total one-way trips provided _____
 *Subscription trips _____
 *Non-subscription trips _____
Missed trips _____
Late trips _____

Monthly Service Statistics:

Total hours of service _____
Total vehicle-miles of service _____
Trips provided/vehicle hours _____
Trip length (trips provided/vehicle miles) _____

Trips by Type of Rider:

Total one-way trips by ADA Eligible riders _____
Total one-way trips by non-ADA riders _____
Trips by others _____

Trips by Area:

Trips within ADA service area, (city limits) _____

*Items that are difficult to collect manually and can be developed through sampling.

Proof of Publication

STATE OF IOWA }
COUNTY OF CERRO GORDO } 88.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MASON CITY, IOWA, ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE "AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT" PLAN FOR THE MASON CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Mason City, Iowa, will hold a public hearing on the 19th day of January, 1993, at 7:30 o' clock P.M., in the Public Library Auditorium, 225 2nd Street S.E., Mason City, Iowa, at which meeting the Council proposes to take action on the adoption of the amended "American Disabilities Act" Plan for the Mason City Transit system.

At the above meeting the Council shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the City to the above action. After all objections have been received and considered, the Council will, at this meeting or at any adjournment thereof, take additional action for the adoption of said amended plan.

This notice is given by order of the Council of Mason City, Iowa on the 5th day of January, 1993.

A. Carlene Davis
City Clerk of Mason City, Iowa

I, Sheme Nalan, being duly sworn, on oath, do depose and say that I am Accounting Clerk of The Globe-Gazette and I am authorized to make this affidavit, that The Globe-Gazette is a daily newspaper regularly published and printed in the English language in City of Mason City, Cerro Gordo County, Iowa, and has a general circulation in the said city and county; and that I personally know that the notice, a true copy of which is hereto affixed, was published in The Globe-Gazette for 1 consecutive weeks and upon the following days, to-wit:

January 11, 1993, 19.....
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That the issues of said paper containing said notice were duly circulated in the regular manner.

Sheme Nalan

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Sheme Nalan

this 11 day of January, 1993

T. J. Ballek

Notary Public in and for Said County.

Printer's Fee, \$ 10.90

Public Library
Mason City, Iowa

January 19, 1993
7:30 p.m.

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Mason City, Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to law and rules of said Council, in the Auditorium of the Mason City Public Library, at 7:30 P.M., on Tuesday, January 19, 1993. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and on roll being called there were present, William P. Schickel, Mayor in the Chair, and the following Council Members: Friedrichs, Witter, Watson, Cookman, Snell. Absent: Bang.

Also present were Inspection Services Director McGreevey, Community Development Director Ewing, Public Services Director Potter, Fire Captain Walsh, Police Chief Kleinow, Administrative Services Director Hammen, Attorney Folkers and Clerk Davis.

Consent Agenda

The following items included in the Consent Agenda, except Item #5, were presented for consideration:

(Item #1),
Minutes January
5, 1993, Meet-
ing

There being no corrections or additions offered, the Minutes of the January 5, 1993, Council Meeting were presented for approval and filing.

(Item #2),
Lists of War-
rants

There being no irregular warrants, the lists of warrants dated January 7 and 14, 1993, in the amount of \$761,376.60, were submitted for approval and filing in Warrant Exhibit Book 93.

(Item #3),
Applications,
Permits

The following applications for permits have been submitted for your consideration.

Liquor-

The Power Plant 1625 No. Federal Corp.
Valentino's 1631 4th St. S.W. Corp.

(Item #4),
Appt., Human
Rights Comm.

The Mayor presented the following names for appointment to the Human Rights Commission:

Brandt Lippert
Karen Stein
Delphine Justin

agenda be approved, resolutions and ordinances be adopted. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Yea: all (The motion was declared carried.)

Mailbox Re-
placement Poli-
cy

After a brief discussion regarding the Mailbox Replacement Policy that was proposed, it was moved by Friedrichs and seconded by Cookman that the matter be referred to the Public Services Committee. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Yea: all (The motion was declared carried.)

Presentation,
Stockman House

At this time, Mayor Schickel presented the Quit Claim Deed for the "Stockman" property to David Christiansen, President of the River City Historical Preservation Society; and in turn, Mr. Christiansen presented the Mayor with a check, in the amount of \$7,500, for the property. He also stated that a check, in the amount of \$5,000, had been submitted to David Murphy in payment for the loan he had provided. He presented a brief history of the project, thanking everyone that had participated in accomplishing the Society's goal.

Communication,
ADA Transit
Update

The following communication had been submitted by the Transit Manager regarding the required update for the Americans with Disability Act for the Mason City Transit System:

(As submitted: Update, ADA Transit Plan)

Public Hearing,
Update Transit
ADA Plan, Ac-
cepted

This being the time and place for the public hearing on the update of the Transit ADA Plan, as per published notice, the Mayor called for objections or comments regarding the plan. Transit Manager Hammen reported that there were no changes to the plan adopted January, 1992; noting that the proposed timetable for complying with the Act had not been met. He stated that the Federal Government was financing the purchase of vehicles and that the City had already replaced three with accessible vehicles and the remaining three had been ordered. There being no further comments or objections offered, the hearing was declared closed.

It was moved by Friedrichs and seconded by Witter that the report be accepted. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Yea: all (The motion was declared carried.)

Recommendation,
P & Z

The following recommendation had been submitted by the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the requested change of zone for the former Principal Financial Center, located at 1181 15th St. S. W.:

(As submitted: 1181 15th St. S. W.)

Public Hearing,
Change Zone,
EDC, Alexander
Mfg.

This being the time and place for the public hearing on the request for change of zone for the Mason City Economic Development Corp., for the former Principal Financial Center, as per published notice, the Mayor called for objections or comments regarding the change of zone; there being none offered, the hearing was declared closed and the following ordinance was introduced:

Ord., Change
Zone, Alexander
Mfg., (1st Con-
sideration)

An ordinance amending Title 12 of the 1990 City Code of the City of Mason City, also known as Ordinance No. 84-17 of said City, it being the 1984 Zoning Ordinance, by changing the boundaries of certain districts therein and zoning certain areas as "I-L" Light Industrial District located at 1181 15th Street Southwest, Mason City, Iowa, was presented for first consideration.

It was moved by Watson and seconded by Snell that the ordinance be received and placed on file. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Yea: all (The motion was declared carried.)

Adjournment,
7:53 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Council, it was moved by Cookman and seconded by Snell that the meeting adjourn at 7:53 P.M. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Yea: all (The motion was declared carried.)

William P. Schickel
Mayor

ATTEST:

A. Carlene Davis
City Clerk

Public Forum

After the business meeting, the public was invited to address the Council; whereupon visiting Cub Scout Dan suggested the present City Hall be considered as a Mason City Museum of History.

Leo Warner, 1776 12th St. N. E., then asked why a petition had not appeared on the Council agenda, and went on to discuss the use of Local Option Sales Tax rather than property taxes to pay costs if Curries defaults.

David Wojcik, 1004 N. Monroe, asked if the City would hold additional meetings concerning the Curries project.

I, A. Carlene Davis, duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Mason City, Iowa, do hereby certify this to be a true and exact copy of the Minutes for the January 19, 1993, Council Meeting.



A. Carlene Davis, City Clerk

Mason City

CITY OF MASON CITY

19 South Delaware • Mason City, IA 50401

January 11, 1993

Dear Social Agency Directors,

The City of Mason City would like to commend your work on improving the lives of citizens in our area. Many people depend on the services you provide.

Recently, the City of Mason City passed an Americans with Disabilities Plan for the transit system. This plan will require all those wishing to use the paratransit service to complete an application form for eligibility. The paratransit service is demand-response and is provided by Easter Seals. As the Mason City Transit Service, which is a fixed-route service, becomes accessible to persons with disabilities, some persons now requiring paratransit service will be able to use the fixed route service. Even so, some persons with disabilities will not be able to reach the location of the bus site or travel from the disembarking site. As one example, these people would remain eligible for paratransit service.

A completed application will be approved or disapproved for eligibility by a panel selected by the City. The persons on the panel will be from Easter Seals and the City Accessibility Task Force, which includes persons with disabilities. This task force and its meetings are open to the public.

Accessible formats of the application will be available by request. However, some persons may need assistance in completing the application forms. The City of Mason City would greatly appreciate your help in this very important matter.

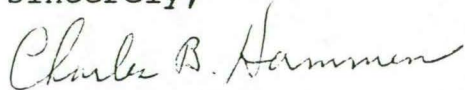
The City is hopeful the transition will be smooth for all involved. The City has until 1997 to comply with ADA regulations concerning the transit system. Each year will witness advances toward the final goal of complete accessibility for the transit system.

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Should you have questions regarding the Mason City ADA Transit Plan, please direct them to Ms. Krista Billhorn, Planner at the North Iowa Area Council of Governments. Questions regarding the transit system should be directed to me, Administrative Services Director, City of Mason City.

Again, we thank you for your time and dedication to the people in our area, and hope a joint effort toward ADA compliance will make the city a more comfortable place for everyone.

Sincerely,



Charles Hammen
Administrative Services Director