



September 20, 2017

Ms. Mindy Milos-Dale, Director  
Parks and Recreation Department  
Charter Township of Oakland  
4393 Collins Road  
Rochester, Michigan 48306

**RE: Summary of Input from Accessibility Workshop  
Iron Belle - Paint Creek Trail Northern Trailhead & Marsh View Park Restroom  
Oakland Township, Oakland County, Michigan**

Dear Ms. Milos-Dale,

On Monday, September 10, 2018 PEA attended an Accessibility Workshop for the above referenced projects. There were a number of representatives in attendance from local advocacy groups as well as interested residents. In a brief presentation, PEA reviewed the proposed ADA and Universally accessible features for both the Iron Belle-Paint Creek Northern Trailhead project and the Marsh View Park Restroom Project. The attendees offered support for the projects and noted two additional items that could be addressed in the designs to further improve the accessibility and enhance the user experience. Below is a description of the two items identified for improvement. The design plans for each project have been revised to reflect the improvements.

- 1. Provide a paved access to the hand pump well and the picnic area at the trailhead park.** The previous plans had a paved pathway to the restroom area, but the pathway that leads to the Paint Creek Trail is a crushed aggregate pathway. The picnic area in the previous plan was accessed by the aggregate pathway. It was requested that the pathway be paved up to the picnic area to make access easier for wheel chair users. There was no need to pave the pathway after the picnic area since that portion only leads to the Paint Creek Trail which is not paved. By paving this additional area there will be paved access to all of the amenities on site. The plans have been revised to show the asphalt pathway to up to the picnic area.
- 2. Provide an adult changing table in the restroom.** A representative from Dutton Farm, a local organization that serves adults with physical, mental or emotional impairments, requested an adult changing table to be placed in the restrooms. They explained that the visitation time to the parks could be limited if there are not adequate changing facilities for impaired users of all ages. This request could not be accommodated at the Trail Head restroom due to structural limitations of the pre-fab wall construction, but an adult changing table has been added to the Marsh View Park restroom plan.

Sincerely,

**PEA. Inc.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey T. Smith', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jeffrey T. Smith, PLA, LEED AP  
Director of Landscape Architecture