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ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS - INSPECTION RESPONSE FORM

Building or facility owners or the owners' designated agent may use this form to indicate the status of outstanding violations associated with the referenced construction project that were identified during the inspection performed by a Registered Accessibility Specialist (RAS) or TDLR Investigator to verify compliance with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS).

This form must be submitted to the RAS or TDLR representative noted in Step 4.

STEP 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

PRINT OR TYPE

Name: Hidalgo County Pct. 4 Linn-San Manual EMS, Fire Dept.		EABPRJ #: B5820826	
Address: 78542, State Hwy. 186	Suite No:	City: Linn	Zip: 78563

STEP 2 - INSPECTION STATUS INFORMATION

A. All violations cited on the inspection report relating to the above referenced project have been corrected.

B. All violations cited on the inspection report relating to the above referenced project will be corrected by: 12/02/19 (completion date).
Note: Projects inspected by a RAS, have 270 calendar days from the date of the inspection report to correct inspection violations.
 Completion dates after 270 calendar days of the inspection report must be approved by TDLR.

C. The following violations cited on the inspection report relating to the above referenced project will not be corrected:
 TAS violation reference(s) _____
 A Variance Application has been submitted and/or approved for: _____

STEP 3 - OWNER / AGENT INFORMATION

Owner/Agent Name: Hidalgo County, Valde Guerra		Company/Firm: Hidalgo County Pct. 4	
Address: P.O. Box 1356		City: Edinburg	State: Texas
Phone #: (956) 292-7655	Fax #: (956) 292-7034	**Email: valde.guerra@co.hidalgo.tx.us	

I am the owner of this building/facility or the agent designated by the owner to act on their behalf (check one):
 Owner (Person or entity that holds title to this property) Owner's Designated Agent

I certify by my signature below that the information provided is true and accurate. I also understand that failure to correct the violation(s) may result in this project being forwarded to the Enforcement Division of TDLR for action.
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

STEP 4 - SUBMITTAL INFORMATION:

FOR RAS AND/OR TDLR USE ONLY			
Name: Anthony Covacevich	RAS # 00000097 (if applicable):	Company/Agency: Accessibility Checks and Controls	
Address: 401 South Circle		City: Weslaco	State: Texas
Phone: 956-279-0910	Fax:	**Email: covacevich@aol.com	

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NOTE: An individual who completes and files this form with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (the Dept.) is entitled to the following:
 1) to be informed about the information that the Dept. collects about the individual, upon their request and subject to a few exceptions;
 2) to receive and review the information, under Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Govt. Code; and
 3) have the Dept. correct information about the individual that is incorrect, under Section 559.004 of the Texas Govt. Code.

**The Department will add your address to the Architectural Barriers email notification list which automatically provides Department information on matters affecting Architectural Barriers. Your email address is confidential pursuant to the Texas Information Act; the Department will not share it with the public. For additional information link to: http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/newsletters/TDLR_NotificationLists.asp

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April 25, 2019

Dr. Jennifer Culpertson
Hidalgo Co. Pct 4
1051 N. Doolittle Rd.
Edinburg, Tx. 78542

Re: Hid.Co. Pct.4 Lin San Manual EMS- Inspection Disapproval
EABPRJB5820826

Dear Mr. Dr. Culpertson:

The referenced facility has been inspected and found not to be in compliance with the provisions of the Architectural Barriers Act, Article 9102, Texas Civil Statutes.

The non-complying items noted on the enclosed inspection report must be corrected and verification of completed corrections (in writing) must be furnished to this office within 90 days from date of this letter. If compliance cannot be accomplished within the specified time, please contact this office as soon as possible.

Please note, this determination does not address the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), (P.L. 101-336), or any other state, local or federal requirement. For information on the ADA, contact the United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division at 202-514-0301.

If you have any questions concerning the results of the inspection or the requirements of the Architectural Barriers Act, or if you are not the owner of record for this facility, contact me at (956)279-0910.

Please reference the EABPRJ number in all future correspondence pertaining to this project.

Sincerely,

Anthony Covacevich

Anthony Covacevich
RAS #00000097

Enclosure: Inspection Report, Inspection Response Form

INSPECTION REPORT

The following report identifies violations with the 2012 Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS). The 2012 TAS became effective on March 15, 2012. All items noted as "Violation" must be corrected to comply with the Architectural Barriers Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 469, as amended. A copy of the 2012 TAS can be found at the TDLR website at www.tdlr.texas.us.

RAS Name: Anthony Covacevich
Date: August, 18, 2017

RAS #: 00000097
EABPRJ# B5820826

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: Hidalgo Co. Pct. 4 Linn-San Manual EMS Fac.
Facility Name: Linn-San Manual EMS Facility
Project Address: 78542 State Hiway 186, Linn, Tx. 78563
Detail Description of Construction activities: Office and daytime gathering area, apparatus area for fire trucks and storage.

OWNER INFORMATION

Name: County of Hidalgo Pct.4
Address: 1051 N. Dolittle Rd.
City: Edinburg State: Tx Zip: 78542

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216. Signs

216.1 General. Signs shall be provided in accordance with 216 and shall comply with 703.

EXCEPTIONS:

- 1. Building directories, menus, seat and row designations in assembly areas, occupant names, building addresses, and company names and logos shall not be required to comply with 216.
- 2. In parking facilities, signs shall not be required to comply with 216.2, 216.3, and 216.6 through 216.12.
- 3. Temporary, 7 days or less, signs shall not be required to comply with 216.
- 4. In detention and correctional facilities, signs not located in public use areas shall not be required to comply with 216.

216.2 Designations. Interior and exterior signs identifying permanent rooms and spaces shall comply with 703.1, 703.2, and 703.5. Where pictograms are provided as designations of permanent interior rooms and spaces, the pictograms shall comply with 703.6 and shall have text descriptors complying with 703.2 and 703.5.

EXCEPTION: Exterior signs that are not located at the door to the space they serve shall not be required to comply with 703.2.

Advisory 216.2 Designations. Section 216.2 applies to signs that provide designations, labels, or names for interior rooms or spaces where the sign is not likely to change over time. Examples include interior signs labeling restrooms, room and floor numbers or letters, and room names. Tactile text descriptors are required for pictograms that are provided to label or identify a permanent room or space. Pictograms that provide information about a room or space, such as "no smoking," occupant logos, and the International Symbol of Accessibility, are not required to have text descriptors.

216.3 Directional and Informational Signs. Signs that provide direction to or information about interior spaces and facilities of the site shall comply with 703.5.

Advisory 216.3 Directional and Informational Signs. Information about interior spaces and facilities includes rules of conduct, occupant load, and similar signs. Signs providing direction to rooms or spaces include those that identify egress routes.

216.4 Means of Egress. Signs for means of egress shall comply with 216.4.

216.4.1 Exit Doors. Doors at exit passageways, exit discharge, and exit stairways shall be identified by tactile signs complying with 703.1, 703.2, and 703.5.

Advisory 216.4.1 Exit Doors. *An exit passageway is a horizontal exit component that is separated from the interior spaces of the building by fire-resistance-rated construction and that leads to the existing discharge or public way. The exit discharge is that portion of an egress system between the termination of an exit and a public way.*

216.4.2 Areas of Refuge. Signs required by section 1003.2.13.5.4 of the International Building Code (2000 edition) or section 1007.6.4 of the International Building Code (2003 edition) (incorporated by reference, see "Referenced Standards" in Chapter 1) to provide instructions in areas of refuge shall comply with 703.5.

216.4.3 Directional Signs. Signs required by section 1003.2.13.6 of the International Building Code (2000 edition) or section 1007.7 of the International Building Code (2003 edition) (incorporated by reference, see "Referenced Standards" in Chapter 1) to provide directions to accessible means of egress shall comply with 703.5.

216.5 Parking. Parking spaces complying with 502 shall be identified by signs complying with 502.6.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Where a total of four or fewer parking spaces, including accessible parking spaces, are provided on a site, identification of accessible parking spaces shall not be required.

2. In residential facilities, where parking spaces are assigned to specific residential dwelling units, identification of accessible parking spaces shall not be required.

216.6 Entrances. Where not all entrances comply with 404, entrances complying with 404 shall be identified by the International Symbol of Accessibility complying with 703.7.2.1. Directional signs complying with 703.5 that indicate the location of the nearest entrance complying with 404 shall be provided at entrances that do not comply with 404.

Advisory 216.6 Entrances. *Where a directional sign is required, it should be located to minimize back tracking. In some cases, this could mean locating a sign at the beginning of a route, not just at the inaccessible entrances to a building.*

216.7 Elevators. Where existing elevators do not comply with 407, elevators complying with 407 shall be clearly identified with the International Symbol of Accessibility complying with 703.7.2.1.

216.8 Toilet Rooms and Bathing Rooms. Where existing toilet rooms or bathing rooms do not comply with 603, directional signs indicating the location of the nearest toilet room or bathing room complying with 603 within the facility shall be provided. Signs shall comply with 703.5 and shall include the International Symbol of Accessibility complying with 703.7.2.1. Where existing toilet rooms or bathing rooms do not comply with 603, the toilet rooms or bathing rooms complying with 603 shall be identified by the International Symbol of Accessibility complying with 703.7.2.1. Where clustered single user toilet rooms or bathing facilities are permitted to use exceptions to 213.2, toilet rooms or bathing facilities complying with 603 shall be identified by the International Symbol of Accessibility complying with 703.7.2.1 unless all toilet rooms and bathing facilities comply with 603.

216.9 TTYs. Identification and directional signs for public TTYs shall be provided in accordance with 216.9.

216.9.1 Identification Signs. Public TTYs shall be identified by the International Symbol of TTY complying with 703.7.2.2.

216.9.2 Directional Signs. Directional signs indicating the location of the nearest public TTY shall be provided at all banks of public pay telephones not containing a public TTY. In addition, where signs provide direction to public pay telephones, they shall also provide direction to public TTYs. Directional signs shall comply with 703.5 and shall include the International Symbol of TTY complying with 703.7.2.2.

216.10 Assistive Listening Systems. Each assembly area required by 219 to provide assistive listening systems shall provide signs informing patrons of the availability of the assistive listening system. Assistive listening signs shall comply with 703.5 and shall include the International Symbol of Access for Hearing Loss complying with 703.7.2.4.

EXCEPTION: Where ticket offices or windows are provided, signs shall not be required at each assembly area provided that signs are displayed at each ticket office or window informing patrons of the availability of assistive listening systems.

Violation: Egress signs were not provided as per 216.4.

903. Benches

903.1 General. Benches shall comply with 903.

903.2 Clear Floor or Ground Space. Clear floor or ground space complying with 305 shall be provided and shall be positioned at the end of the bench seat and parallel to the short axis of the bench.

903.6 Structural Strength. Allowable stresses shall not be exceeded for materials used when a vertical or horizontal force of 250 pounds (1112 N) is applied at any point on the seat, fastener, mounting device, or supporting structure.

Violation: Bench is not located as per plans and thus does not provide the clear floor space perpendicular to the short axis of the bench as per 903.2. Bench is not anchored to wall or floor thus not ensuring the stress tolerance required.

Disclaimer:

During the course of this review, a GOOD FAITH effort has been made to apply the requirements of the Texas Accessibility Standards in a thorough and competent manner, however, sometimes items may be missed, either for lack of detail, confusing details, or as a result of an honest oversight. Anthony Covacevich Consultants makes no guarantees that any items which are not noted as disapproved will be approved during the final inspection. It should not be assumed that this report covers every possible element, space, or feature associated with the project. Under Texas Architectural Barriers law, the responsibility for ensuring compliance rest with the Owner holding title to the property. Anthony Covacevich Consultants shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever, and in particular shall not be liable for special, indirect, consequential, or incidental damages, or damages for lost profits, or loss of revenue, arising out of or related to this report or the information contained in it, whether such damages arise in contract, negligence, tort, under statute, in equity, at law or otherwise. Anthony Covacevich Consultants shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions in this report.



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EABPRJB5820826 Linn San Manuel Fire Department

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Tue, Oct 22, 2019 at 1:27 PM

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Mr. Covacevich,

This is Daniel Flores with Facilities Management I am sending you this email as a reminder that I needed the copy of the blueprint for the shower with the discrepancy.

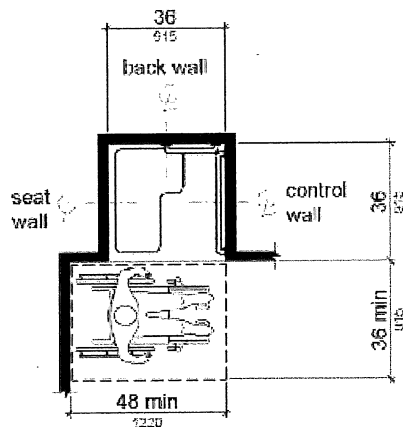
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Tue, Oct 22, 2019 at 7:38 PM

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608.2.1 Transfer Type Shower Compartments. Transfer type shower compartments shall be 36 inches (915 mm) by 36 inches (915 mm) clear inside dimensions measured at the center points of opposing sides and shall have a 36 inch (915 mm) wide minimum entry on the face of the shower compartment. Clearance of 36 inches (915 mm) wide minimum by 48 inches (1220 mm) long minimum measured from the control wall shall be provided.



Note: inside finished dimensions measured at the center points of opposing sides

Figure 608.2.1 Transfer Type Shower Compartment Size and Clearance

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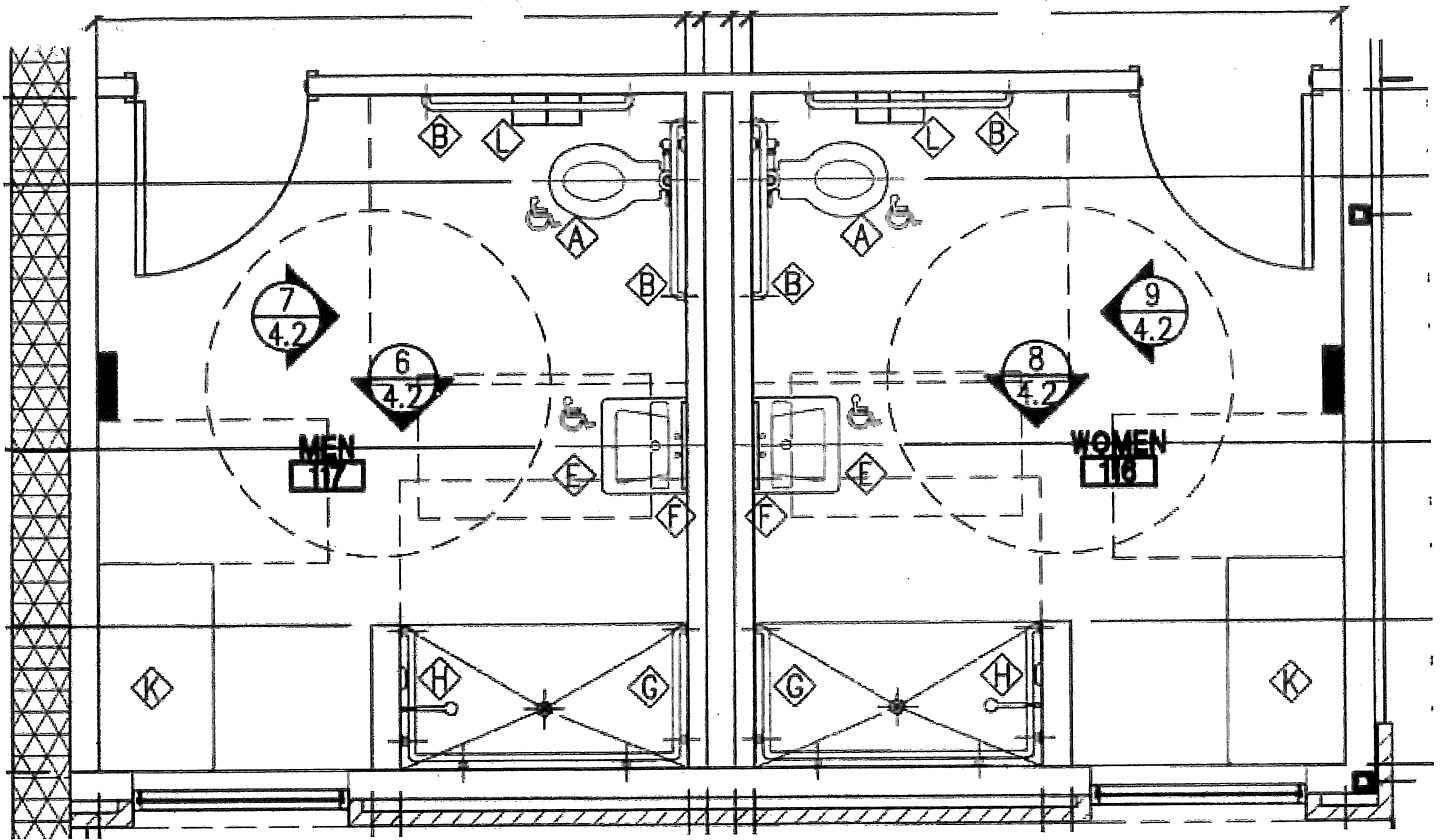
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Sorry, wrong shower bench. See drawing below. It is from the plans for construction. The element labeled with the letter "K" is the bench needed for both showers.

Thanks!



Anthony Covacevich, A.P.A.

R.A.S. 00000097

Accessibility Checks and Controls

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