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Good morning all,

Please find below in [blue](#) the responses to questions submitted regarding tonight's agenda items. Please let me know if you have any additional questions. Thank you.

Jen

Item 1 - ADA

* budget : is this report saying no budget is recommended for ADA improvements? (or to be part of final report?)

Rather than specifying a specific budget for small and large capital ADA improvements, the ADA Plan Update recommends phasing the improvements over a 15 year target timeframe based on available staffing and funding in light of other projects being completed each fiscal year. Any new proposed ADA improvement(s) would be evaluated during the District's annual Capital Improvement and Action Plan (CIAP) and Budget development process, which the Board would have an opportunity to preview as part of the annual Priority Setting Retreat. As with all other work plan items, the Board would have subsequent multiple opportunities to further consider the proposed ADA improvement(s) at ABC meetings and when the CIAP and Budget comes before the full Board in May and June of each year. In addition, the Board may want to consider a small annual operating budget (expected to be on the order of \$25,000 to \$50,000 per year) to provide annual funding for small, incremental maintenance repairs.

* benches -possibly time to revisit bench policy? They do make trail walking a little more accessible for some older people.

Neither the ADA nor ADA Plan Update include specific requirements regarding the provision of benches on trails. It is important to note that although benches do provide a place to rest, they do not necessarily help make a trail meet ADA standards. For trails designated as accessible, the Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas (AGODA) and the ADA Plan Update do require resting intervals (areas with a flat, level surface) that provide people an opportunity to stop after a steep segment (over 5% slope) and recover before continuing on. The Board has the discretion to consider expanding the number of benches on District lands and adding them in these "rest zones". To date, the District's approach has been to minimize the number of built facilities on the landscape, which also reduces overall capital and long-term maintenance costs. Benches are small improvements with limited one-time and long-term costs - on the order of \$2,000 to \$3,000 over 10+ years.

* FYI this is an article about "Magical playground" for inclusivity:

<https://www.curbed.com/2018/7/20/17582148/accessible-playgrounds-design-ada->



[Accessible playground design can build a more inclusive ...](#)

www.curbed.com

Nearly one in five people have a disability in the U.S., yet most playgrounds aren't built to accommodate them.

The article highlights the recreational goal of serving the full range of needs found in a community - the District strives to meet the same goal with our trails, preserve amenities, public outreach, and programming. The ADA Plan Update includes guidelines and best practices that are tailored for the District to meet our accessibility goals.

Item 3- Deer Hollow White Barn –

we don't need to worry about it being a historic structure?

The White Barn was evaluated as part of this project and confirmed to be a historic structure. The recommended repairs are intended to preserve its historic integrity in the long term. A preservation architect will be retained to oversee the design and construction, to ensure that the repair work, while meeting the standards of the modern building code, matches the aesthetic and architectural style of the original barn construction.

would the white barn need to be taken down and re-built or instead reinforced without taking it down?

The barn will be structurally strengthened/reinforced without taking it down. The structural strengthening includes installation of a new concrete foundation and stem walls, sheer walls for seismic and wind resistance, and improved connections between the walls, roof, and foundation to meet code-required load bearing capacity.



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