June Street Playground



Town of Westwood **ADA Transition Plan**

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Background

June Street Playground is located north of 199 Highview Street. Park amenities include one (1) playground, benches, and one (1) picnic table. There is one (1) park entry point off Highview Street on the south side of the playground. There is no on-site parking.

Key Accessibility Issues

Exterior Routes

Accessibility issues include routes with excessive level changes. Additionally, there is only a dirt route that is not stable, firm, and slip-resistant provided from the park entrance to one (1) bench, and one (1) picnic table.

Play Areas

Accessibility issues include lack of a compliant impactattenuating surface under and around the play components, and an accessible route to and around the playground.

Note: The Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) does not consider engineered wood fiber (EWF) to comply with its regulation requiring an accessible route to each play component and around the playground.

Figure 1: The following image uses a yellow line to indicate the approximate suggested location for a 48" wide min. stable, firm and slip-resistant accessible route connecting park entry points to and around the playground.



Additional Accessibility Issues

Order of Magnitude Cost Estimates

Total: \$1,400*

*Note: IHCD is not providing costs for some exterior issues such as estimating the cost to repair or provide expanses of sidewalk and walkways. IHCD is also not providing costs for playground surfaces.

Best Practice and Inclusive Design

Best practice and inclusive design recommendations include elements that are not required in the standards but may create enhanced experiences for all users.

• Lack of an accessible picnic table near the playground.

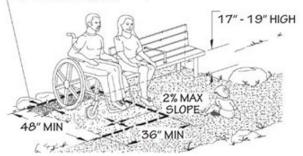
Provide one (1) accessible picnic table: \$1,400

• Recommend providing a 36" by 48" min. stable, firm and slipresistant area alongside at least one bench in each distinct area where benches are provided so that a person using a wheelchair or other mobility device is able to sit alongside someone seated on the bench with their shoulders aligned.

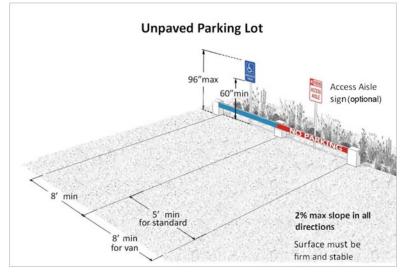
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See the following illustration for best practice recommendations for benches:

8" RECOMMENDED



• Recommend providing an accessible parking space near the playground entrance on the opposite side of the road from 199 Highview Street. See the following illustration for a parking space in an unpaved lot:





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ID	Location	Floor Room	Element	Туре	Photo	Issues	Current Measure	Recommendations	Quantity	Price	Cost Estimation
А	Approach and Entrance										
	Exterior Access Route										
1	Route to Park	Ext.	Exterior Access Route	Exterior		changes > 1/4" sible route not provided	1.5" -	Alter the change in level to be 1/4" high max. Ensure an accessible route is provided to all program areas, including the playground.	1	-	-
А	Access to Goods and Services ~										
	Picnic Tables										
2	Near Playground	Ext.	Picnic Tables	N/A	Picnic	st 5% accessible spaces not provided table not on an accessible route clearance less than 19" deep		Ensure that at least 5% (minimum one) of picnic tables are accessible. Ensure that the accessible picnic table is connected to an accessible route. Provide at least one picnic table with knee clearance that is 19" deep min.	1	1400	\$1400
	Benches										
3	Playground	Ext.	Benches	N/A	No ac	cessible route to one bench in this area	-	Provide an accessible route to at least one bench in this area.	1	-	-
Ρ	Play and Sport Areas										
	Play Areas										
4	Near Playground	Ext.	Play Areas	N/A		sible route not provided around playground sible route not provided at play components	-	Install an accessible route to and around the playground. Provide a compliant impact-attenuating surface under and around the play components.	1	-	-



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E	Best Practice				、	~					
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5	Playground	Ext.	Benches	N/A				Recommend providing a 36" by 48" min. stable, firm and slip-resistant area alongside at least one bench in each distinct area where benches are provided so that a person using a wheelchair or other mobility device is able to sit alongside someone seated on the bench with their shoulders aligned.	1	-	-
	Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage										
6	Route to Park	Ext.	Off-Street Parking Lot or Garage	N/A				Recommend providing an accessible parking space near the playground entrance on the opposite side of the road from 199 High View Street.	1	-	-