


Original
ADA Transition Plan



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ADA TRANSITION PLAN**

Notice is hereby given of the opportunity for citizens of Rankin County, as well as other interested parties, to attend a public meeting to discuss the implementation of the County's ADA Transition Plan. The ADA Transition Plan is intended to contribute to the quality of life for Rankin County Citizens by ensuring all programs are accessible. The public meeting will be held in the Board Room of the Rankin County Annex Building, 211 East Government Street, Brandon, Mississippi, on December 15, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. Anyone with questions, concerns, or comments regarding the ADA Transition Plan is encouraged to attend.

APPROVED:


Chancery Clerk
by *D. Dukes, D.C.*

November 18, 2011
Date



**RANKIN COUNTY
MISSISSIPPI
SIDEWALK ORDINANCE**

1) Introduction:

This ordinance shall cover the repair, construction and maintenance of new and existing public sidewalks and pathways that are located within Rankin County right-of-way (Hereinafter "Public Sidewalks") and that have been dedicated and accepted by Rankin County for public use.

All Public Sidewalks shall be installed, replaced or repaired in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation, Comprehensive Services, and Development Disabilities Act of 1978, 2010 Standards for Accessible Design and Mississippi Department of Transportation Driveways, Curb & Gutter and Sidewalk Standard Plans, Public Right-of Way Accessibility Guidelines and be approved by Rankin County Consulting Engineer.

2) Inventory and Prioritization Plan:

All Public Sidewalks shall be inventoried, condition assessed and repair priority assigned taking into account factors such as:

- a) Public Safety
- b) Volume of pedestrian traffic
- c) Proximity to schools
- d) Proximity to recreational facilities
- e) Extension of connectivity for the public's general benefit

3) Standards and Requirements:

- a) Provisions for sidewalk construction shall be included as part of site plan review, subdivision approval and/or as part of the plans submitted for obtaining a building permit.
- b) Sidewalks shall be at least four (4) foot in width and shall meet the requirements set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 2010 Standards for Accessible Design, Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines and Mississippi Department of Transportation Standard Plan for Driveways, Curb and Gutter, Sidewalk and Curb-Cut Ramp.
- c) The construction/repair of all sidewalks, curb and gutter and curb-cut ramps shall be subject to the acceptance of the Rankin County Road Department.
- d) Asphalt and slick surfaced sidewalks are prohibited.
- e) All sidewalks shall include, either within the corner or within the curb area immediately adjacent thereto, ramps allowing access to the sidewalk and street as per ADA requirements.

4) Maintenance:

Upon acceptance by Rankin County, after final plat, issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy or by final inspection, the County shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of sidewalks located adjacent to public streets and right-of-ways. Sidewalks that are damaged or removed by owner, renter or contractor shall be repaired/replaced by property owner. Complaints or repair/maintenance request shall be directed to Rankin County Board of Supervisors.

5) **Obstructions:**

The owner and/or occupant of every lot or premises adjoining any street shall clear and keep all sidewalks adjoining such lot or premises from any obstruction including, but not limited to, structures, vehicles, materials, debris, vegetation, or other items. The owner and/or occupant shall also keep clear the area which is located directly over the sidewalk, up to a height of eight (8) feet, in a manner which will allow reasonable travel without interference from obstruction.

6) **Severability and Validity Clause:**

Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so held to be unconstitutional or invalid.

7) **Effective Date of Ordinance:**

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) calendar days from and after its adoption.

This Ordinance shall be effective on the 14th day of January, 2012.

ORDAINED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF RANKIN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, at a meeting thereof held on the 15th day of December, 2011.

A motion for adoption was made by Supervisor Bishop and seconded by Supervisor Wilcox. The foregoing ordinance having been first reduced to writing, and no request being made by any member of the Board of Supervisors that the Ordinance be read before any vote was taken. The Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Supervisors with the results being as follows:

Supervisor Morrison voted:	Aye
Supervisor Brown voted:	Aye
Supervisor Wilcox voted:	Aye
Supervisor Johnson voted:	Aye
Supervisor Bishop voted:	Aye

Whereupon the President of the Board declared the motion carried and this Ordinance approved and adopted this the 15th day of December, 2011.



RANKIN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: Jared K Morrison
Jared Morrison, President

ATTEST: Larry Swales
Larry Swales, Chancery Clerk
J. Duke, D.C.