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#### **Division of Facilities Services**

Accessible Construction Management:

Active Participation in Project

Management for Accessibility

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#### **Introductions**

- Goals for Today....
- My Approach to Accessibility
- Cornell University
- Next Steps...

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### **Construction and Accessibility**

- Accessibility considerations through all phases of the construction process.
- Active participation in the process by all stakeholders in a proactive and meaningful way.
- What does that mean?



#### What does ADA Compliant mean?

- Meets minimum considerations of accessibility
- Accessible "but" can be an afterthought
- Could be "good" accessibility but not "great"
- Could be "great" accessibility

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#### **New Construction vs. Alterations**

- Process of review
- Project Approval Request for Funding
- Construction Impacts



#### **Pre-Construction**

- Budgeting
- Planning/Scope
- Permitting
- Historic Preservation
- Environmental Impact Statement
- EXPECTATIONS

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#### **Site Development**

- Has many perspectives
- Accessibility and topography
- Environmental impacts



#### **Pre-Design**

- Request for Proposal
- Selection of Design Professional
- Access Expectations
- Contract Language

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#### **Schematic Design**

- General Scope and concept
- Great implications for accessibility—ideal time to influence changes in general direction
- Stakeholder Review Comments



#### **Design Development**

- Next Steps—solidification of design
- OPC—Opinion of Probable Cost (could be done at SD as well)
- Accessibility Considerations

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#### **Construction Documents**

- Not the place to <u>start</u> reviewing for accessibility!
- Final check in on access considerations and review comments from each time frame
- See what has changed or not



# Accessibility considerations for review New Construction and Alterations

- Parking/Bus/Drop Off
- Interior and exterior path of travel
- Doors/Hardware
- Signage
- Thresholds
- Reach ranges
- Floor surfacing
- Reception areas/dining

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# Accessibility considerations for review New Construction and Alterations

- Lecture areas/offices
- Drinking fountains
- Cane Detection/protruding objects
- Lighting
- Elevators
- Toilet rooms—all elements
- Areas of rescue assistance
- Other access elements\*\*\*



#### **Construction Impacts**

- Path of travel
- Closures
- Occupancy during construction

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#### **Experiential Equity**

- Are people with disabilities able to have the same experience\* as people without disabilities?
- Similarities to Universal Design



#### **Experiential Equity**

- Applications—
- New Construction
- Existing Construction—Barrier Removal
- Complications?

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#### **Value Engineering**

- Pitfalls to accessibility
- What can be the first to go?
- Code Compliance vs. Universal Design



#### **When Construction Occurs**

- Field changes
- Allowances
- Oversight/Management

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# **Questions?**



#### Thank You!!

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