

Tempe's City Council Chambers Renovation - Accessibility Features

Reconstructed ADA-compliant aisle slopes, seating locations and dais

The podium rises and lowers to accommodate people who use a wheelchair. The microphone is adjustable as well.

A new aisle with a gentler slope facilitates wheelchair access to seats or the podium,. There are 11 accessible seats with flip up arms for people to transfer from a wheelchair to a seat.

Wall handrails help those with mobility issues. There is a ramp to the dais so that staff or an elected official that needs to use a mobility device can access it.

Accessible family restroom with an adult changing table, men's and women's room

This is the first adult changing table installed in Tempe.

Induction hearing loop serving the council chambers by Otojoy

Hearing loops facilitate communication for individuals who have hearing aids, cochlear implants or who want to use earphones to receive better sound quality. For those who are hard of hearing but do not have hearing aids, earphones are available.

Visuals are more easily viewable.

The room has eight TV screens to show the presentations being given. Tablets are available for close up viewing accommodations.

Every other row of seats has power stations for electronics for devices – both for those with ADA needs and people who just want to charge a mobile phone or laptop.

Automatic door openers and ADA compliant signage with Braille at all entrances. Additional exterior and interior lighting and street visible signage provided.



Details on Tempe's ADA program: Tempe.gov/ADA