
Request for Opinion on Accessibility Issue

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Emma,

521 CMR (The architectural access board) states under section 23, 23.3, Location: Spaces required by the Table in 521 CMR 23.2.1, need not be provided in a particular lot. They may be provided in a different location if equivalent or greater accessibility, in terms of distance from inaccessible entrance, cost and convenience, is ensured.

23.3.1, Accessible parking spaces serving a particular building, facility or temporary event shall be located on the shortest accessible route of travel from adjacent parking to an accessible entrance.

after looking at the configuration of the lot, it appears that the best location (in my opinion) would be to relocate the parking to the front lower left corner(as you face the building from Pond St.). it will not be near the entry to the drive through off of Pond St.

and it will be a closer location to any other part of the lot. It is likely that the cars leaving the lot and the drive through will exit out on the side street. OR, the board can state that the Pond St. access is an entrance only and all must exit through the side street.

I would recommend that the aisle for the access be required to be painted from the parking spots to the sidewalk access. signage should be located just after the drive through window stating that "Beware, Handicap walkway" is in front.

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