



Integrated Infrastructure Services
Infrastructure Planning and Design

Edmonton

Accessibility for People with Disabilities Policy C602 Update

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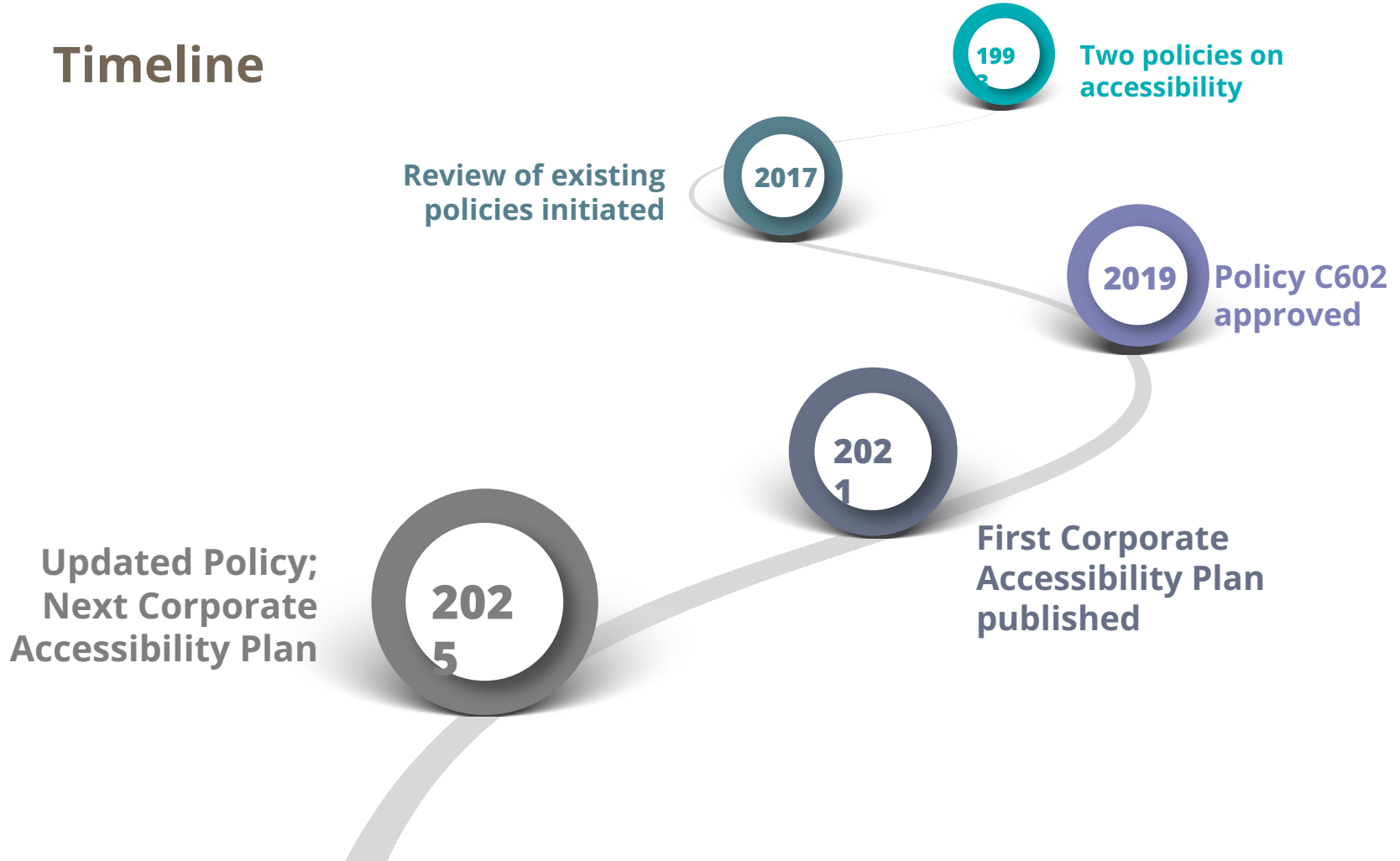
Accessibility

1 in 4 Edmontonians identify as having a disability (2022 Statistics)

- Disabilities can be visible, invisible, temporary or episodic
- Barriers limits independence and choice
- Accessibility enables participation by reducing barriers



Timeline



Policy C602

Commitment to equitable access and participation

- Acknowledging the impact of barriers
- Making City services inclusive
- Proactive vs. reactive approach
- Lack of provincial legislation
- Aligning with best practices



Updated Policy

Edmonton's commitment to be an accessible city

Key updates:

- Simpler language
- Clearer commitments
- New guiding principles
- Updated definitions



Community Insight

Understanding the needs of Edmontonians with disabilities

- 2024 engagement
 - ◆ 43% agreed accessibility is improving
- 2025 engagement
 - ◆ Broad support for the policy updates



Implementation

Incremental changes with a phased-in approach

Updated Procedure

- Guides and resources
- 2025-2029 Corporate Accessibility Plan
 - ◆ Accessibility actions
 - ◆ Annual progress reports



Impact

A city where everyone can participate fully and equitably

- Creating vibrant and inclusive communities
- Increased participation and engagement
- Enhances independence and well-being
- Benefits the larger community



Thank you.

Questions?