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# **City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines 2015**

**Update to Disability Issues Committee** 

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#### Agenda

- Introduction
- AODA Background
- Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines Update
- Questions & Answers





#### 2005: Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)

Legislation passed by the Ontario government in May 2005

- Allows the Province to develop, implement and enforce standards for accessibility
- Requires removal of barriers preventing people with disabilities from participating in normal daily activities
- Ontario is the first province in Canada to pass such legislation
- AODA applies to both **PUBLIC** and **PRIVATE** sector organizations

Goal is that Ontario becomes fully accessible by 2025





# AODA Definition of Disability same as the OHRC







**2009: City of Toronto Commitment to create an Accessible City** (excerpt, City of Toronto Council, August 2009)

"The City of Toronto supports the goals of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) **and will establish policies, practices and procedures which are consistent with the accessibility standards established under the AODA,** including accessible customer service, information and communication, employment, the built environment and transportation."

Goal is for the City to align with the Province's Goal to become fully accessible by 2025.





#### 2014: 5 current AODA Standards

- 1. Customer Service Standard Enacted January 2008
- **2.** Information & Communication
- **3.** Employment
- 4. Transportation

Integrated Accessibility Standard Enacted July 2011

5. Accessible Built Environment Standard (ABES)

**Comprised of 2 Parts:** 

- 5a. Design of Public Spaces Enacted January 1, 2013
- 5b. Building Code Accessibility Requirements (BCAR) based on Final Proposed Accessibility Built Environment Standard, 2010
   Resulted in Ontario Building Code 2012
   Accessibility Amendment 368/13 – Enacted January 1, 2015





#### 5a. Design of Public Spaces – Enacted January 1, 2013

Accessibility within public areas

Requirements for all **NEW CONSTRUCTION** and **MAJOR RENOVATIONS** to public spaces

#### Includes:

- Recreational trails & parks
- Footbridges
- Eating areas
- Play spaces
- Public roads & sidewalks
- Public parking spaces





# **5b. Building Code Accessibility Requirements**

Amendment to Ontario Building Code 368/13 – Enacted January 1, 2015

Accessibility within buildings and exterior areas requirements for all **NEW CONSTRUCTION** and **MAJOR RENOVATIONS** 

### Includes:

- Exterior Spaces
- Common Access & Circulation
- Interior Accessible Routes
- Communication Elements & Facilities
- Plumbing Elements & Facilities
- Building Performance & Maintenance
- Special Rooms, Spaces and Other Elements





#### The current situation...

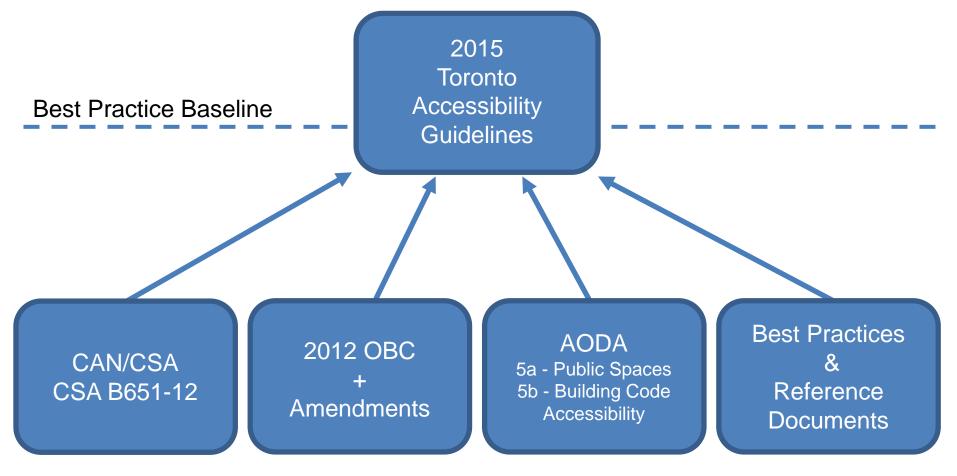


- 1. Ontario Building Code, 2012 Amendments to Barrier-Free Section 3.8
- 2. AODA, Design of Public Spaces, 2012
- 3. AODA, Final Proposed Built Environmental Standard, 2010
- 4. City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines, 2004





#### The proposed situation...







Toronto Accessibility

Guidelines, 2004

#### **Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines - Comparison Matrix**

Accessible Built Environment Standards,

2010

Ontario Building Code Updates to the 2012 Ontario AODA Proposed

**Building Code** 

#### (sample page) CSA B651-12 City of Toronto Other Accessibility Design Guideline, 2014

2006

INTERIOR ACCESS AND CIRCULATION							
Accessible Interior Routes Contract Con							
	3.8.			2.2.1, 2.2.2	5.1		
Turning circle	1500 mm	Varies between 1500-1800 mm	2500 mm	1600 mm	1500 mm	IDeA p.3: 2500 mm	-
Clear width	1100 mm		1100 mm minimum		U-turns: <1200, 1100 mm >1200, 1100 mm U-turns where obstacle: <1200, 1100 mm >1200, 920 mm	London: Primary: 1830mm; Secondary: 1100mm;	-
Unobstructed Passing areas	1600 x 1600 mm, located every 30 m	1800 mm x 1800 mm, located every 30 m	Passing area 30 m apart for routes less than 1620 mm in width Clear floor space greater than 1830 x 2200 mm	Passing area 20 m apart for routes less than 1100 mm in width Clear floor space greater than 1600 x 1600 mm	1600 mm x 1600 mm, located every 30 m	-	-
Convex mirrors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Universal Mobility Device Size(Scooter)	-	-	-	660 mm (w) x 1345 mm (l)		IDeA Research PPT: 860 x 1480 mm	-
Reach Requirements							
					_	London 4.1.1	
Side Reach	-	-	500 mm - 1000 mm deep	460-1370 mm AFF	-	255 mm max.	-
Side Reach over an Obstruction	-	-	500 mm grasp reach	510 mm grasp reach	-	610 mm max.	-
Forward Reach	-	-	635 mm max.	1370 mm AFF	-	635 mm max.	_





# **Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines 2015**

#### Scope Documents:

- 1. Ontario Building Code, Amendments to Barrier-Free Section 3.8, 2012
- 2. AODA, Design of Public Spaces 2012
- 3. AODA, Final Proposed Built Environmental Standard Draft 2010
- 4. City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines, 2004

#### PLUS

#### **Best Practice and Reference Documents:**

- City of Toronto Vibrant Streets
- City of Toronto Construction Drawing Standards
- City of Toronto Transportation Service Standards
- City of Toronto Playground Standards
- CSA Z614-07 Children's Play Spaces and Equipment
- London Facility Accessibility Design Standards 2007
- CSA B651-12 Bus Shelters, Self Service Interactive Devices
- IDeA: Design Resources 2011
- CNIB, Clearing our Path 2011
- ISO 23599:2012 Assistive Products for Blind and Vision Impaired Persons
- Parking By-law 569 Chapter 200 2013
- CSA B44 (Annex E of B651-12) Elevators
- Information Regarding Accessible Dog Parks





# **City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines 2015** Milestone Schedule:

•	Create Stakeholder Committee from other Divisions and interest groups to review technical sect	ions March 2014
•	Issue RFQ for accessibility design consultant	May 2014
•	Consultant to Review Scope and reference documents and prepare comparison matrices	June - October 2014
•	Stakeholder Committee Workshop Meetings	June - October 2014
•	Consultant to prepare 50% draft of Guidelines document for Stakeholder review	November 2014
•	50 % Guidelines review from Stakeholders	December - January 2015
•	Develop Guidelines to 75% based on 50% review from Stakeholders	February - April 2015
•	75% Guidelines to be reviewed by Stakeholders	April - May 2015
•	Develop Guidelines to 90% based on review from Stakeholders feedback.	May - June 2015
•	90% Guidelines to be reviewed by Stakeholders	June 2015
•	90% Guidelines to be reviewed by IDST, Disability Issues Committee, CCOO and FDC – SMT	July - August 2015
•	Develop Guidelines to 100% based Public Consultation, DIC, CCO, SMT Feedback	August - September 2015
•	100% Guidelines to be presented to: - CCOO   Deputy City Manager   City Manager  GMC	September 2015
•	Council Endorsement of 100% 2015 Guidelines	January 2016
•	Implement Staff Training + Support City Staff	December 2015 - Ongoing





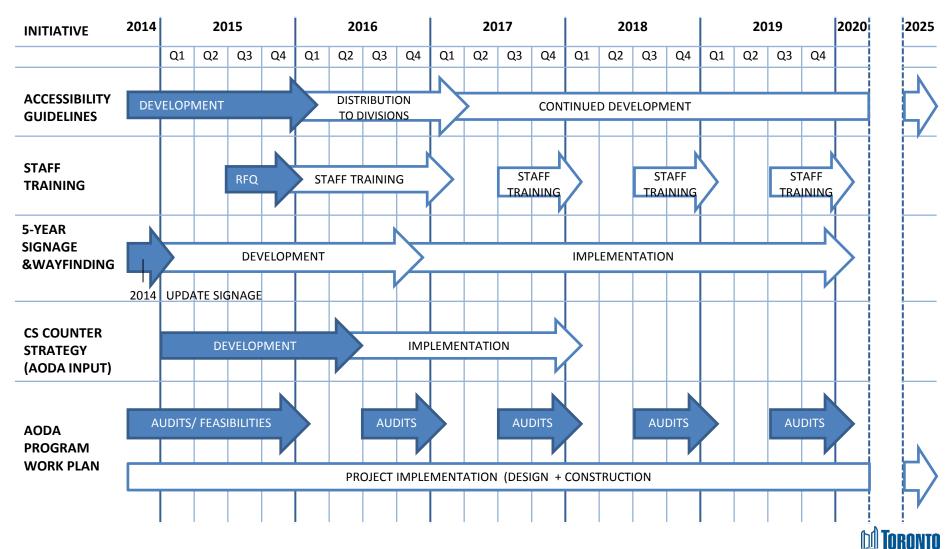
# **Stakeholder Committee Members**

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		+ Committee Stakeholders IDST Committee Customer Service Steering Committee			
City Divisional Stakeholders					
• • • • • •	Equity Diversity + Human Rights Division Facilities Management Parks Forestry and Recreation Transportation Services Engineering + Construction Services Toronto Building Planning Division Municipal Licensing Standards	<ul> <li>Social Development Finance + Administration</li> <li>Childrens Services</li> <li>Toronto Police Services</li> <li>Long-Term Care Homes &amp; Services</li> <li>City Clerk's Office</li> <li>Toronto Water</li> <li>Public Health</li> <li>Fire Services / EMS</li> </ul>			
Ci • •	ty Board + Agency Stakeholders TTC Metrolinx Waterfront Toronto Toronto Parking Authority	Private Citizen + Non-Profit Stakeholders• Pegasus Toronto• CDAC• CNIB• Other• Disability Specialists (Al Reeves)			

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#### **Facilities Management AODA Initiatives and Long Term Work Plan**





# **Next Steps:**

- Update the TAG guidelines to 75%
- Expand List of Internal Divisional Stakeholder and Public Stakeholder Review
- Consolidation of Common Headings and Topics
- Update to Diagrams + Reference Tables
- Appendices and Definitions
- Identify a Prioritization and Renovation Compliance Criteria
- Institute Staff Training

### **Future Goals and Priorities:**

- Establish a TAG Compliance + Enforcement Strategy
- Audit + Alignment of Applicable By-Laws and Policies
- Provide Ongoing Support to City Staff and Public Living Document / Adaptable
- Evaluation/Audit of City Properties for Compliance





#### Challenges

#### **Current Challenges**:

- Decision Making and Consensus
- Establishing a Best Practice Baseline
- Criteria for Renovation Compliance Alternatives

#### **Future Challenges:**

- Anticipating Funding and Budget Allocations to Implement Capital Upgrades
- Endorsement and Enforcement
- Update and Alignment of Municipal City By-Laws and Policies





# Thank you for listening ...

# **Questions** ??

