

PROPOSED FRAMEWORK FOR THE PEDESTRIAN STRATEGY PROJECT

Purpose: The Pedestrian Strategy is an action plan for improving pedestrian safety, reducing pedestrian-vehicle collisions, providing universal accessibility, improving the quality and experience of the pedestrian realm, promoting a culture of walking and for furthering walking as a safe, convenient and viable part of Calgary's multi-modal transportation system.

Resources: The Pedestrian Strategy will be led by Transportation Planning with support from other internal City business units and will include extensive engagement with internal and external stakeholders (the general public). The further development of the framework and for stakeholder engagement, communication, research activities and data collection, funding is within Transportation Planning's existing budgets.

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1. INTRODUCTION

- Vision
- What is the Calgary Pedestrian Strategy?
- Guiding Documents & Calgary Policies (*Building the Case for Walkability*)

2. ABOUT WALKABILITY (Background)

Describes why walkability is important; could include items such as:

- Benefits, Economic, Social & Environmental aspects
- Health Initiatives, Social inclusion
- Current Trends, Practices & Initiatives in Pedestrian Planning
- Challenges & Barriers to Walking
- Winter Weather, Snow & Ice Control
- What We Heard, Public Engagement

3. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Determined from Vision + Documents & Policies + Public Engagement; could include items such as:

- Walkable communities as the foundation of a liveable city
- Linking land use with mobility
- Designing & building liveable/complete streets
- Improving safety
- Achieving universal accessibility
- Promoting health & reduced environmental impact
- Placemaking, Spaces for people

4. WHERE WE ARE NOW (Existing Conditions)

Evaluation criteria to evaluate Current Status of pedestrian realm; could include items such as:

- Current levels of walking (statistics & data)
- Review of existing conditions (Environmental Scan & levels of service)
- Current Pedestrian Networks (existing facilities)
- Inventory of current pedestrian programs & initiatives
- Current operating expenditure that supports pedestrian mobility

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5. STRATEGY ACTIONS

Determined from the Guiding Principles + Current Status issues; could include items such as:

- Promoting City leadership as champions for walkability
- Promoting a culture of walking
- Pedestrian safety
- Healthy Communities
- Integrating networks & connections to transit for walking
- Focus on Activity Centres & Corridors
- Align all current pedestrian programs & initiatives
- Implement pedestrian-orientated street design
- Creating spaces & support Placemaking for people
- Continued maintenance & lifecycle for improvements to pedestrian realm

6. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

A comprehensive chart that indicates:

- the Strategy Actions
- with corresponding business unit responsibility
- the annual work plan (time frame, 5-10 years)
- lists resources & funding requirements
- cross references 2015 – 2018 Action Plan items

7. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- Performance measures & standards (indicators & targets)
- Review & update of measures & standards or update the Pedestrian Strategy

8. APPENDICES

- Companion documents & Literature review
- Description of public engagement process with data gathered
- Figure list & Image credits
- Acknowledgments