

# Safe and Inclusive Access

Presentation to Regular Council Meeting 2023 March 14



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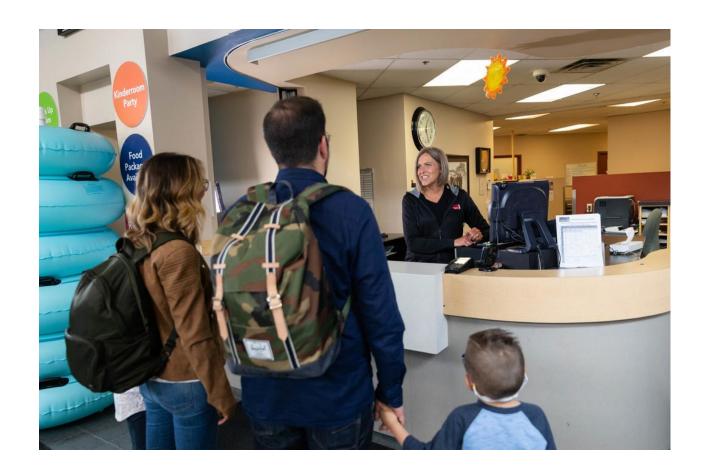
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### Recent Protests

- Targeting the 2SLGBTQIA+ community
- Impeding City's ability to provide safe & inclusive access to public services





## Experiences of Exclusion and Oppression

- Street harassment
- Police-reported hate crimes
- Barriers to public services



"The demonstrations are dehumanizing. We can't walk out in our community because we're terrified by those who seek to eradicate us simply because of who we are."

- Member of 2SLGBTQIA+ Community



## Research, Engagement & Communication

- Review of legislation
- Scan of other Canadian Municipalities
- External Engagement
- Council's Strategic Direction on Social Resilience

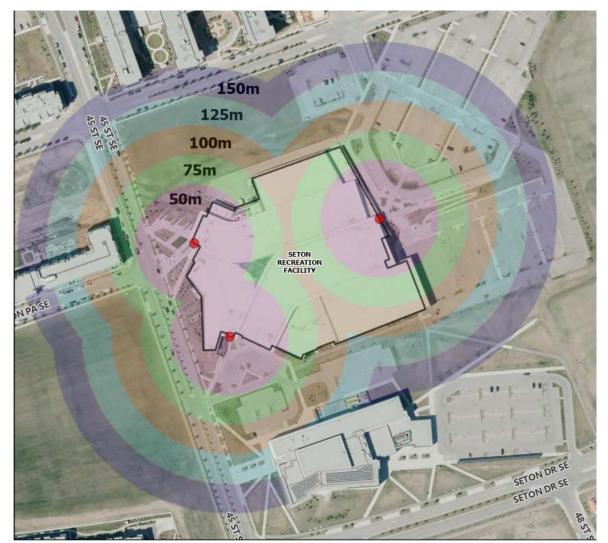




## Safe and Inclusive Access Bylaw

#### New bylaw will:

 Allow safe & inclusive access to City services by establishing 'access zones'





## Public Behaviour Bylaw Amendment

#### **Amendment will:**

 Expand definition of "harassment" to explicitly include intimidation





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