



# ADA Curb Ramps

SMC 23.53.006 – Pedestrian Access and Circulation

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# Presentation overview

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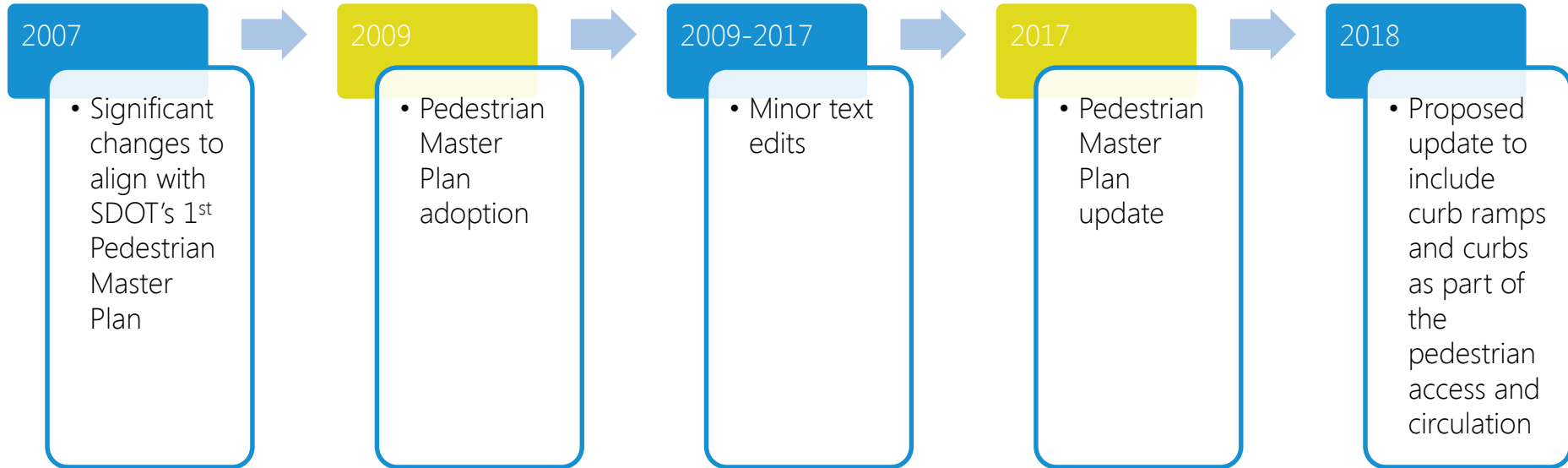


# Code Section 23.53.006 – Pedestrian Access and Circulation

- Sidewalk or pedestrian requirements and thresholds for new development.
- Currently silent on curb ramps and curbs.



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# Proposed Changes

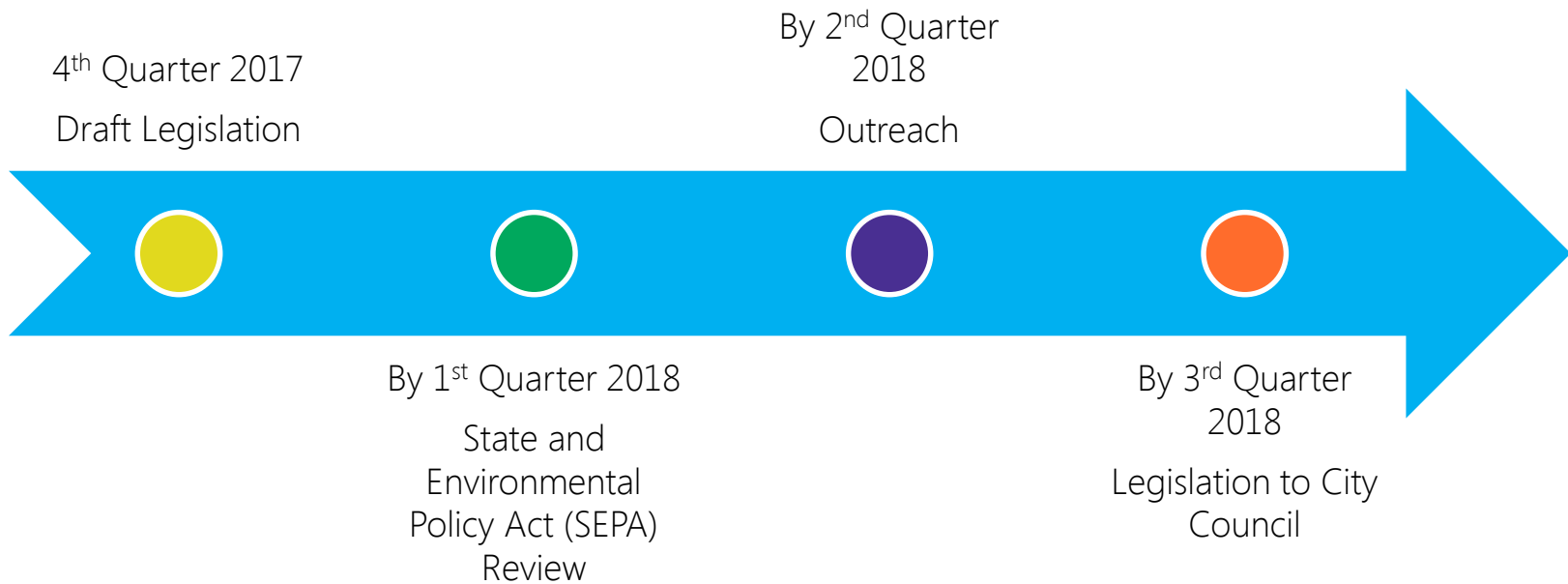
- Explicitly calls out curb ramps and curbs as part of the pedestrian access and circulation requirements.
- Requires development in Urban Centers and Urban Villages to comply with current ROWIM standards for sidewalks, curbs, and curb ramps.
- Other minor changes to other code sections for clarity.
- Does not change the types of projects listed as exempt from the requirements.

# Why Change?

- Developments on corner lots currently build sidewalks that may stop short of the intersection, and do not build curb ramps.
- Makes the pedestrian network accessible by requiring curb ramps.
- Requires curb ramps be built at corner lots, even if there is an existing sidewalk without curb ramps.
- Incorporates curb ramps and curbs as a part of overall pedestrian access and circulation.
- Adds clarity to the code language about curb ramps and curbs.



# Next steps



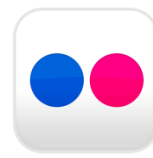


# Questions?

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<http://www.seattle.gov/DPD/codesrules/changestocode/curbramps/whatwhy/default.htm>

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