

MEMORANDUM

To:	Mayor and City Council
From:	Kori Allen, ADA & Capital Programs Coordinator Michael Garza, P.E., Director of Public Works
Date:	April 25, 2023
Reference:	Presentation regarding ADA curb ramp design; and seeking City Council direction.
2040:	Foster an Inclusive Community Fabric

Introduction:

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide additional information regarding the third-party's review of the City's ADA ramp design and seek direction from City Council on future ADA curb ramp design.

History/Background:

This presentation is a follow-up from the July 26, 2022, ADA Transition Plan and Directional curb ramp presentation. Since the Texas Department of Transportation's Pedestrian 2018 Standards (TXDoT PED-18) and the Public Rights of Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) have been posted, Coppell has been using the directional curb ramp design as a standard for intersections and crossings. These ramps are most recommended by Licensed Accessibility Specialists and are the safest for all pedestrians. In Coppell's efforts to be the safest and most innovative city in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex, staff has included directional curb ramp in our Standard Details and use them in all projects.

Analysis:

Staff will present information related to the continued improvements of intersections and crossings in Coppell for discussion and feedback.

Benefit to the Community:

Fostering an inclusive community fabric that ensures all intersections are accessible to everyone with every ability by increasing accessibility throughout Coppell and adhering to the Department of Justice required ADA Transition Plan updates.

Legal Review:

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown. Fiscal Impact will vary based on the policy direction of the Council, as well as unique and individual site conditions of intersection where curb ramps would be installed.

Recommendation:

The Public Works Department recommends continuing to utilize the design and construction of directional curb ramps at intersections to safely guide all types of pedestrians to their destination.