

COMPLETE STREETS

A Complete Streets Ordinance For Bellevue

Bellevue Transportation Commission

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Complete Streets

Staff (and Special Committee on Complete Streets) seeks a Transportation Commission recommendation on a draft Complete Streets Ordinance for Bellevue to:

- Establish legislative intent for a Complete Streets Policy Framework
- Complement Comprehensive Plan policies
- Affirm modal plans in the context of a Complete Streets policy framework
- Support Vision Zero

Complete Streets Ordinance for Bellevue

Through a Complete Streets Ordinance, Council would:

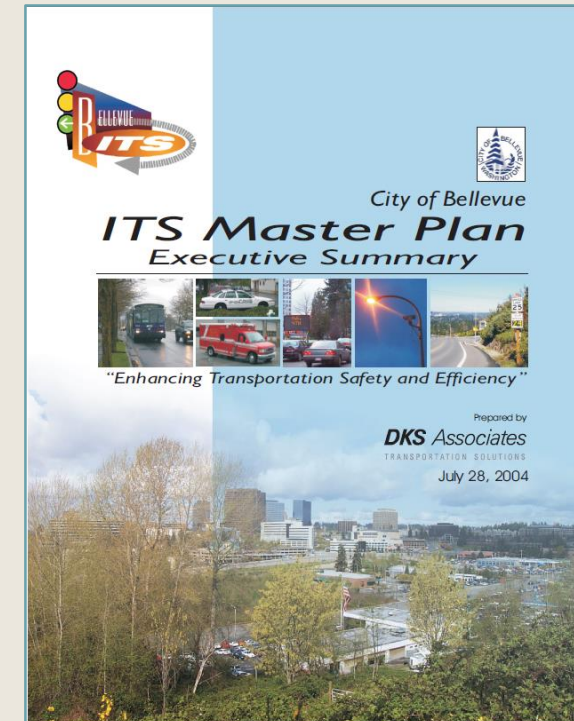
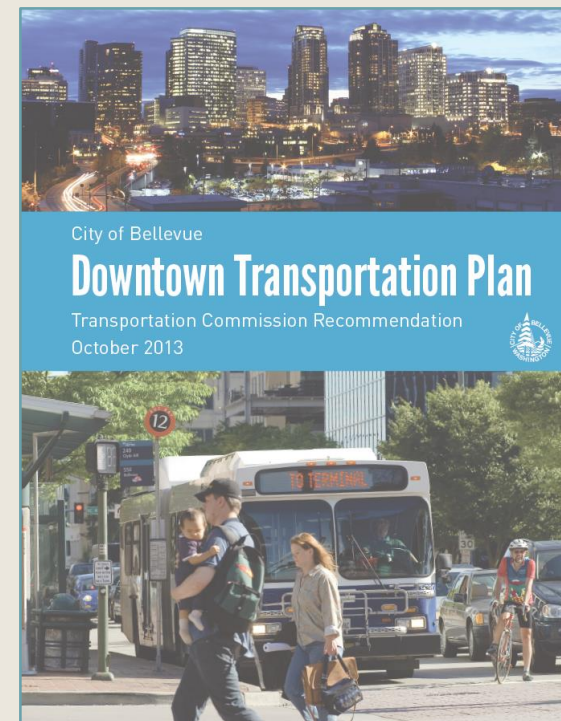
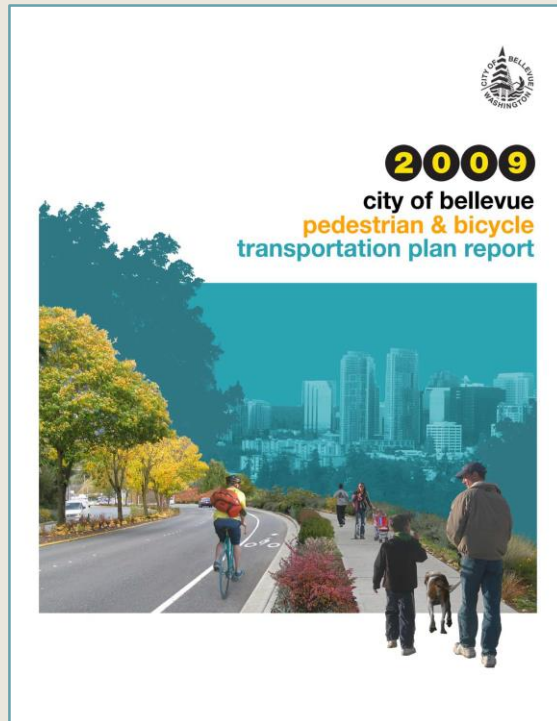
- Adopt a new Complete Streets section in Bellevue City Code (Transportation Development Code)
 - *Plan for a complete streets network*
 - *Provide for exceptions*
 - *Utilize latest design guidance*
- Request Transportation Commission study the Comprehensive Plan to determine if new or amended policies are needed for 2017

Complete Streets - Defined

- **Complete Streets** are corridors and networks that are scoped, planned, designed, built, operated and maintained to enable safe access for all users.
- Pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities must be able to safely move along and across a Complete Street.
- **RCW 47.04.320(1)** states that <Complete Streets> ordinances should “provide safe access to all users, including bicyclists, pedestrians, motorists, and public transportation users.”

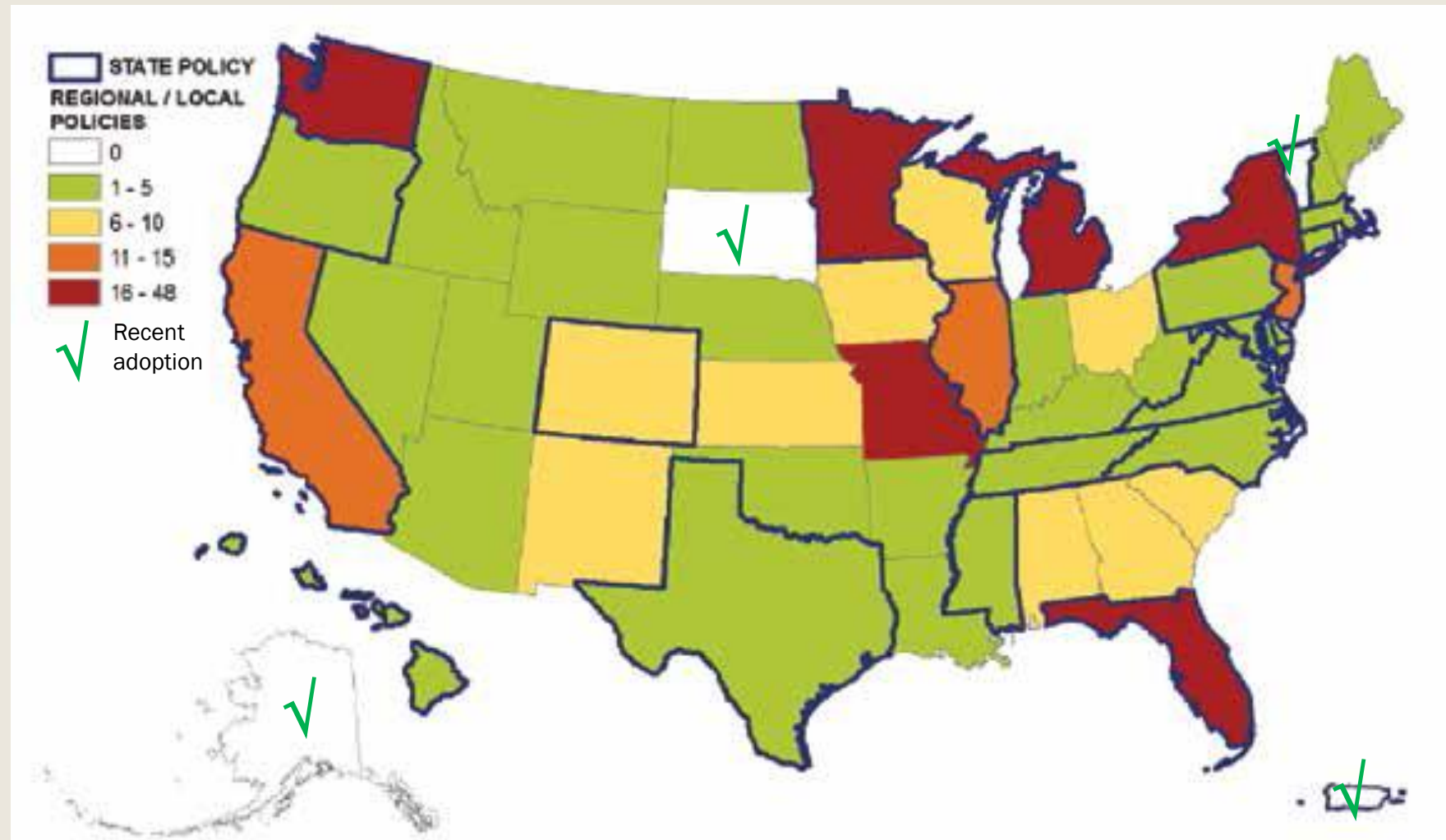
Complete Streets – in Bellevue

- Not new to Bellevue – City has an integrated and sustained Complete Streets ethic embedded in plans, policies and implementation
- A Complete Streets Ordinance and policy framework would help to better organize, coordinate and prioritize efforts



Complete Streets

Complete Streets is a national movement adopted and implemented by more than 899 state and local governments



56 Complete Streets Jurisdictions in Washington

Bellevue

- Aberdeen
- Airway Heights
- Algona
- Anacortes
- Battle Ground
- Bingen
- Bremerton
- Burien
- Burlington
- Carnation
- Colfax
- Coulee City
- Darrington
- Davenport
- Deer Park
- Des Moines
- Edmonds
- Electric City
- Ephrata
- Federal Way
- Fircrest
- Grandview
- Ione
- Issaquah
- Kent
- Langley
- Leavenworth
- Mabton
- Moses Lake
- Mountlake Terrace
- Ocean Shores
- Pomeroy
- Quincy
- Redmond
- Renton
- Republic
- Ridgefield
- Rosalia
- SeaTac
- Seattle
- Sedro Woolley
- Snoqualmie
- Soap Lake
- Spokane
- Sunnyside
- Tacoma
- Toledo
- Toppenish
- Tukwila
- Union Gap
- Wapato
- White Salmon
- Wilbur
- Winthrop
- Pierce County
- Spokane Regional Transportation Council

Complete Streets Award Program

- May 2016 - Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) introduced the Complete Streets Award Program to encourage jurisdictions to adopt and implement Complete Streets policy
- Award is flexible money that may be given to any city or county in Washington state that has adopted a Complete Streets ordinance
- Must show an integrated and sustained ethic of planning and building streets that use context sensitive solutions to accommodate all users, including pedestrians, transit riders, bicyclists, and motorists



Washington State

Transportation Improvement Board

Board Adopted May 20, 2016

Complete Streets Award Program



Program Goals

- Incentivize local adoption of a complete streets design ethic.
- Create a powerful incentive beyond the limitations of available funding.
- Allow cities and counties to self-direct how funds are spent in order to most effectively build local projects that reflect the complete streets ethic.
- Minimize processing and acquisition costs.

“\$500,000 for cities and counties with highly-integrated policies and a track record of complete street project design and development”.

Complete Streets Award Program

- To be eligible for a Complete Streets Award, a jurisdiction must have an adopted complete streets ordinance
- 54 cities and one county in Washington meet this eligibility requirement (*as of 9/8/2016*)
- Bellevue has policies, plans and projects that demonstrate an integrated and sustained complete streets ethic, however...
 - *These efforts do not satisfy the eligibility requirement of having a Complete Streets Ordinance adopted by October 1, 2016*

Complete Streets Draft Ordinance

Commission Action September 8. Motion to:

___ Recommend APPROVAL of draft Complete Streets Ordinance

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- *Council September 12 (study session), 19 (consent)*

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Staff and Complete Streets Special Committee recommend:

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