



***Bellevue Parks &  
Community Services***

# **Parks & Open Space System Plan Update**

**Transportation Commission**

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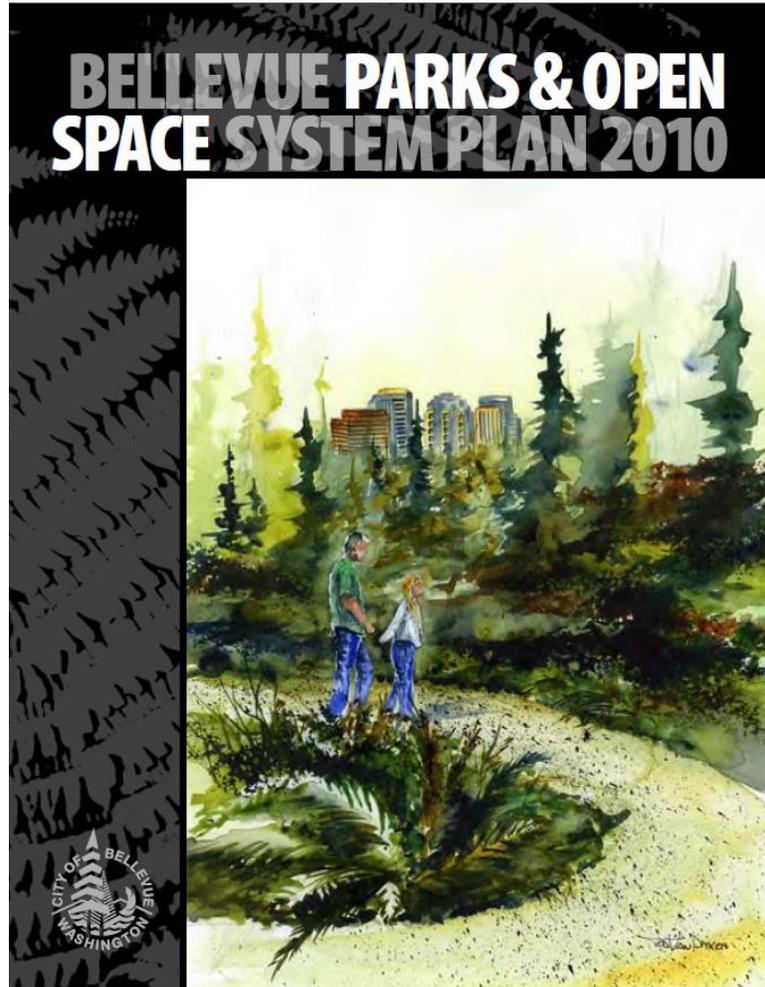
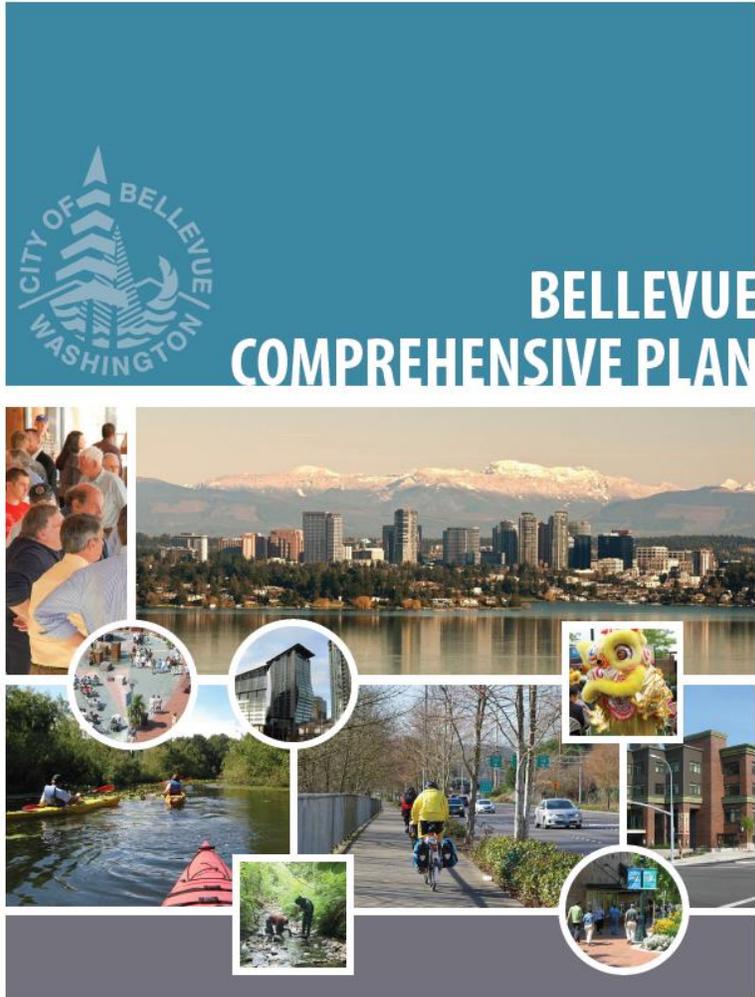
# Parks & Community Services Mission

*We build a healthy community through an integrated system of exceptional parks, open space, recreation, cultural arts and human services.*



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# Parks & Open Space System Plan



# Core Public Questions

- How do you use the parks and open space system today?
- What would you like to see more of in the future?





# Focus Areas

- Open Space, Greenways, Wildlife Corridors and Trails
- Park Facilities
- Active Recreation Facilities
- Urban Parks Systems
- Waterfront Access
- Partnership Opportunities
- Historic, Cultural and Art Resources





# Outreach Methods

- Statistically Valid Resident Surveys
- Open Web Survey
- Public Hearing / Public Meetings
- NextDoor Neighborhood Email Distribution Groups
- Presentations
- Newsletters, Social Media, Web Pages, Newspapers, Flyers
- Photography and Poetry Contest



# Web Survey Results – Top Tier Visits per Year

	6+ per yr	2+ per yr
Trail through forests, wetlands or other natural areas	70%	87%
Open area for unstructured play or picnicking such as fields or plazas	52%	75%
Community beach, waterfront park or boat launch	43%	76%
Playground	43%	56%
Park with display gardens	37%	72%



# Web Survey Results - over the next ten years, should City investments be focused more on...

Acquiring new parkland and natural areas	56%
Developing and improving currently-owned parks	44%



# Web Survey Results - Top Tier

## Highest priority for city development of parks and recreational facilities

Trail through forests, wetlands or other natural areas	80%
Community beach, waterfront park or boat launch	45%
Open area for unstructured play or picnicking such as fields or plazas	41%







# Transportation Commission Insight

- Comprehensive Plan alignment
- Ped/Bike Implementation Initiative
- Recreation and transportation use of trails
- Street tree program; low-impact development





**Thank You**