



# Community Outreach and Engagement Summary



**BELLEVUE** 2044  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Building A Livable City for All



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## Outreach & Engagement by the Numbers

The Periodic Update to the Comprehensive Plan was launched in February 2022. Over the following two years the planning team conducted extensive outreach and engagement to people who live, work, and play in Bellevue. Public engagement in this process contributed to an update that reflects community needs and values and sets direction for a livable city for all.

### Engagement by the Numbers

**7,000+**  
individuals engaged.

**3,300**  
respondents to the Vision Questionnaire that was mailed to all 64,000 Bellevue households.

**1,800**  
individuals provided feedback via the city's online engagement hub.

**1,110**  
Bellevue residents responded to the city's statistically valid survey.

**567**  
people responded to Middle Housing Questionnaire.

**62**  
people shared their housing stories.

**228**  
Bellevue residents took part in Missing Middle Housing: Tell Your City a regional collaboration between Eastside cities and Community Based Organizations.

**78**  
events including in-person and virtual presentations, community workshops, focus group conversations, tabling events, meetings with the Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team, and more.

**50**  
representatives from the business sector, developers, non-profits, neighborhood leaders, institutional partners, and advocacy groups participated in the Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team.



## Background

Bellevue's Comprehensive Plan creates a foundation for the future, by describing what makes the city unique, laying out a vision for livability, and defining the goals and policies that guide decision-making. It's a forward-looking document, grounded in core city values of inclusion, equity, sustainability, and innovation.

The Comprehensive Plan is used by City Council, boards and commissions, and city staff to inform decision making on housing, transportation, land use, infrastructure development, and more. Past updates to Bellevue's Comprehensive Plan have led to the creation of new, mixed-use, transit-oriented neighborhoods like BelRed; the adoption of a citywide Environmental Stewardship Plan; and partnerships on affordable housing.

To support this effort, the planning team developed the following engagement plan that was adopted by the City Council in February 2022.



## The Engagement Plan

People are at the heart of the planning process. The policies outlined in the Comprehensive Plan touch on every aspect of the city and ensure that the people who live, work, study, and play in Bellevue can continue to experience a high quality of life, access jobs and economic opportunity, and feel a sense of belonging.

Over two years, the planning team worked with the community to explore key questions related to this update:

- How can we make sure that people can find housing that meets their needs at all stages of life?
- How can we make it possible for people of all backgrounds, ages, and abilities to access the incredible opportunities and resources the city has to offer?
- How can we ensure Bellevue grows sustainably, addresses the impacts of climate change and continue to be a “city in a park”?
- How can we continue to promote livability by planning for neighborhoods where people can access local business, find places to gather and connect, and have more opportunities to walk or bike?
- How can we grow strategically – meeting our housing and jobs targets while supporting multi-modal transportation options, and mixed-use development?
- How can we build an equitable community where a person’s race and background doesn’t determine how far they are able to go in life?

## Who We Talked To

Bellevue's ongoing transformation into an increasingly diverse and global city meant that outreach and engagement for this update needed to be broad and inclusive. 60% of Bellevue's population is now non-white, 43% were born outside the United States, and 50% speak a language other than English at home. Forty seven percent of Bellevue's population are renters and 25% qualify for affordable housing.

The planning team used a variety of outreach tactics and engagement methods to help make sure diverse voices were included.



46% of Comprehensive Plan events were targeted for groups that are historically marginalized or who are not regularly included in city planning processes.

The following groups and community organizations hosted or participated in events:

- 4 Tomorrow
- Afghan Health
- Africans on the Eastside
- Bellevue Chamber
- Bellevue College Faculty
- Bellevue College Students
- Bellevue Diversity Advantage Network
- Bellevue Downtown Association
- Bellevue Essentials Alumni
- Bellevue High School – 12th Grade Civics Classes
- Bellevue Network on Aging
- Bellevue School District Family Connections Coordinators
- Bellevue Square Merchants
- Bridle Trails Community Club
- Bellevue Youth Council – Youth Link
- CHIME – Chinese Employees of Microsoft
- Big Picture School – 8th Grade Social Studies Classes
- Eastside Easy Riders
- Eastside Pride
- Eastside Urbanists
- Global Innovation Exchange
- Indian American Community Services
- King County Library Staff
- Lake Hills Neighborhood Association
- Latinos Unidos
- Little Masters – Chinese Youth Leadership Group
- Lochleven Neighborhood Association
- Mary's Place Staff
- Mary's Place Residents
- Master Builders Association
- Muslim Association of Puget Sound
- Newport Community Club
- Newport High School – 9th Grade Human Geography Classes
- Seattle-King County Realtors
- Sikh Center of Seattle
- Watermark Senior Living



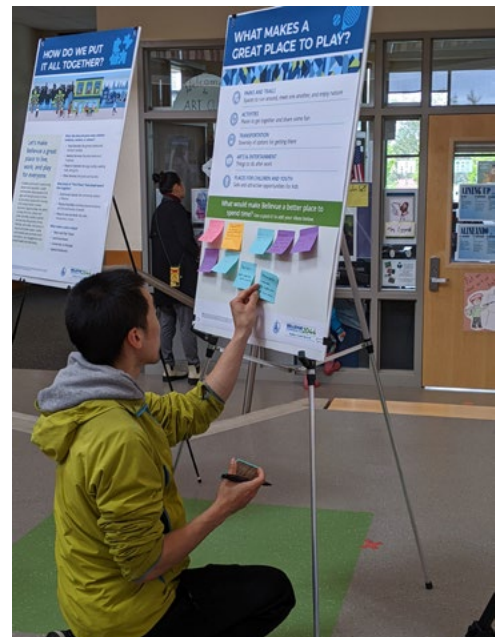
Participants at the Bellevue 2044 Spanish Language workshop on April 28, 2022

## What We Learned – Phase 1 – Affirming the Vision

The first phase of engagement focused on introducing the Periodic Update to the Comprehensive Plan and inviting people to reflect on the city's progress towards achieving its vision. The engagement goals were:

- **Build awareness of the Periodic Update.**
- **Establish relationships with key community groups and partner organizations.**
- **Inform people about the purpose and importance of the Comprehensive Plan.**
- **Identify strengths the planning process should build on and challenges it should address.**

The primary engagement tool was a mailed questionnaire that was sent to all households in Bellevue. The Vision Questionnaire asked people to consider what the city should focus on to make sure future generations can thrive.



Participant shares feedback at Vision Open House on May 7, 2022



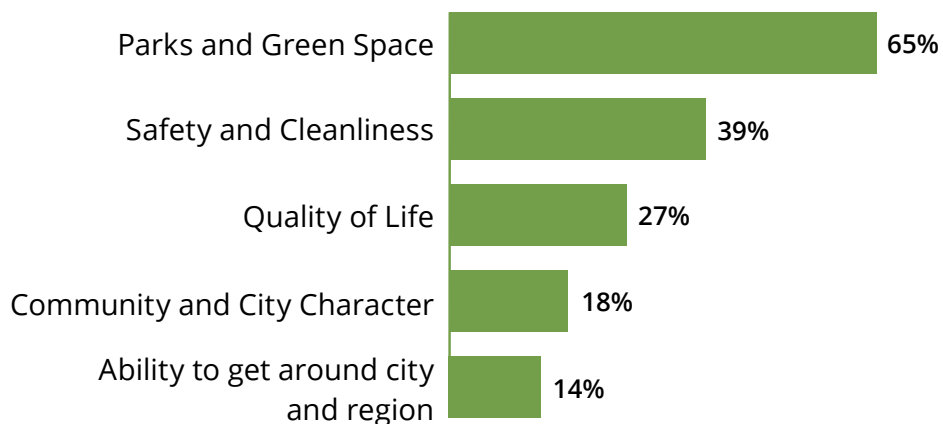
The first two questions invited people to share in open-ended responses what they loved about the city and what challenges needed to be addressed. People brought up a wide variety of topics.

### Biggest Love

People value green spaces, the formal parks that offer recreation and an opportunity to enjoy nature as well as the “city in a park” feel that the many trees throughout the city provide.



Most common things residents **LOVE** about Bellevue

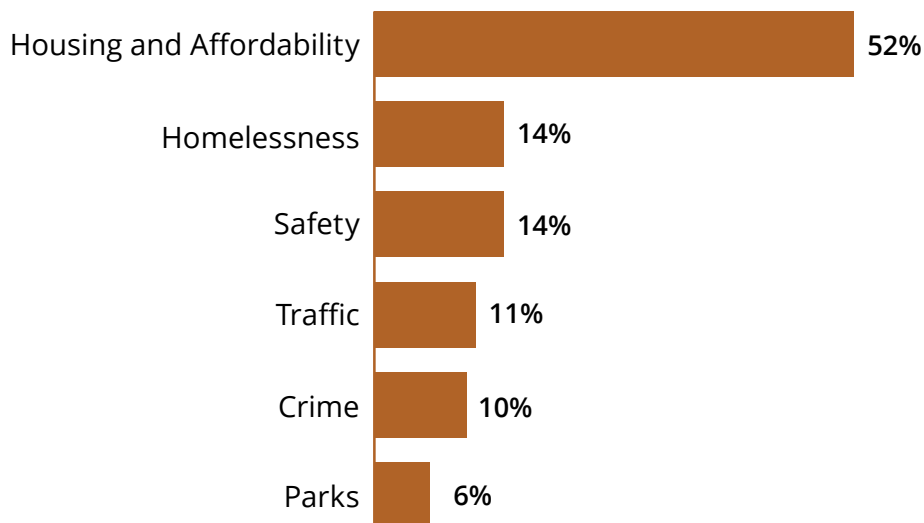


### Biggest Challenge

People identified housing as the biggest challenge facing the city. People want to see more affordable housing, especially for low- and middle-income households, seniors, essential workers, and young people just starting out.



Most common **CHALLENGES** residents feel Bellevue should address



The third question invited people to rate the city's progress towards achieving its adopted vision.

### Making Good Progress

Respondents gave the city high marks for:

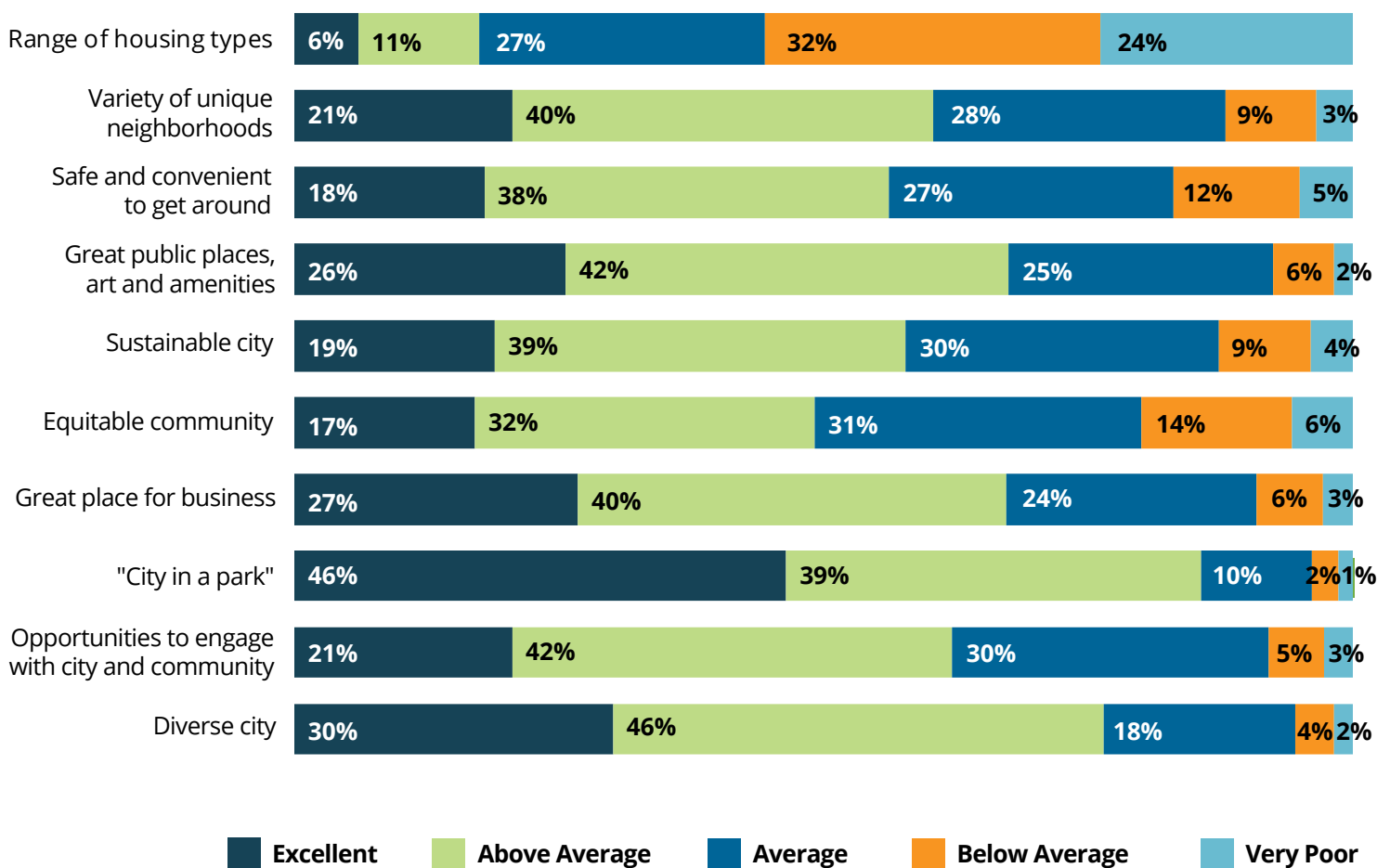
- Access to parks, open space & recreation
- Ensure diverse & welcoming community
- Great place for business

### Need to Do More

Respondents identified 3 areas where the city could do more to achieve its vision:

- Provide a range of housing options
- Be an equitable community
- Safe and convenient to get around the city

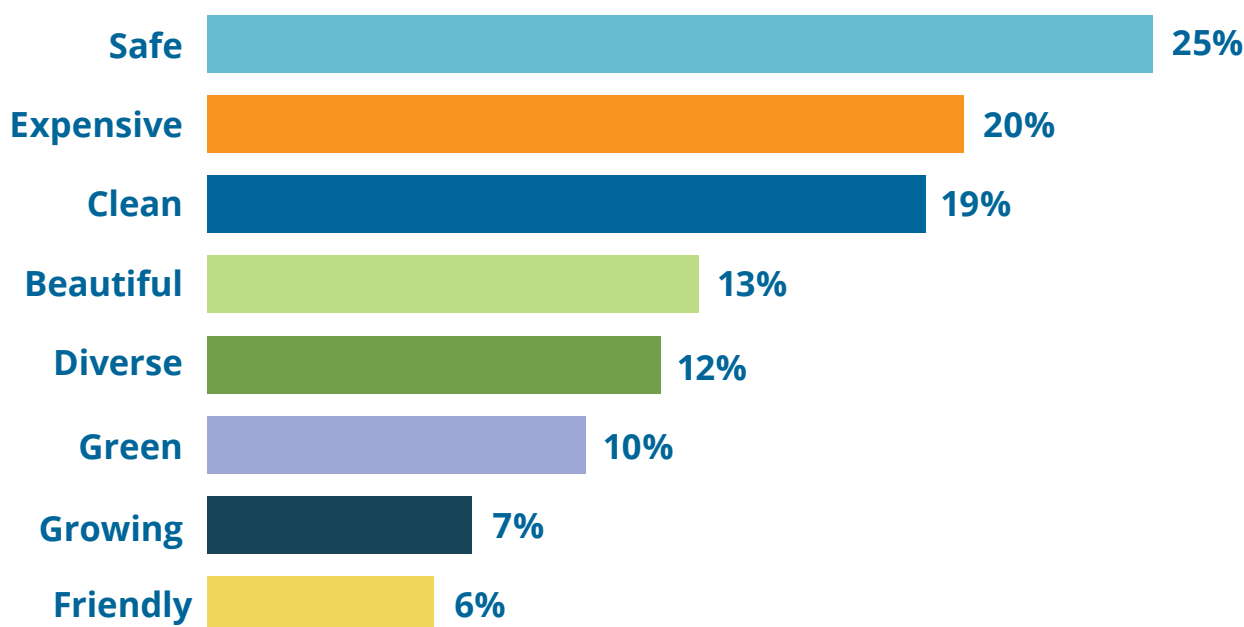
### Evaluation of City Priorities



The final question was used to understand how the community feels about Bellevue today. This question captured both positive and negative feelings about the city. Here respondents frequently brought up the beauty and safety of the city while expressing concerns about the rising cost of living.

## What are three words you would use to describe Bellevue?

Percentage of top 10 words mentioned from 2,721 responses



### How This Input Was Used

Input from this phase of engagement was used to identify topic areas for further exploration in a series of deep dives that covered the issues of housing, sustainability, mobility, and placemaking.



Participants review data at Community Deep Dive on Connection, August 3, 2022

## What We Learned – Phase 2 – Exploring Livability

During the second phase of engagement, community members had the opportunity to learn more about key issues related to livability, consider trade-offs, and provide feedback on how the city should approach questions related to growth. The engagement goals were:

- Understand community sentiment around key issues.
- Identify potential solutions to challenges that could be addressed through policy.
- Inform the development of growth alternatives that would be studied as part of the environmental review process.

Engagement opportunities centered around a series of in-person Community Deep Dives on the following topic areas:

- **Environment:** addressing climate change, advancing sustainability, and preserving and enhancing tree canopy and natural areas.
- **Connection:** creating vibrant and active neighborhood centers where people can access services and amenities while connecting with friends and neighbors.
- **Access:** providing transportation options that help people access jobs, services, and amenities by walking, rolling, driving, and transit.
- **Housing:** supporting the creation of housing options that meet the needs of people at all stages of life and from different backgrounds.

Each Community Deep Dive followed a similar structure with time for attendees to review information boards at their own pace, hear a short presentation from the planning team, ask questions and participate in interactive exercises and dialog with other community members. These events helped surface several core themes, concerns, and ideas.

## Environment

- Balancing growth with access to parks and natural areas should be prioritized.
- Preserving and enhancing the city's tree canopy is important.
- Mixed-Use and Neighborhood Centers are an exciting idea with potential benefits to sustainability.
  - Increased walkability and biking to retail and services.
  - More housing options.
  - Possibility of integrating parks with new development.

“Prioritize preserving our environment and preventing climate change, as well as educating people about these issues.”

## Connection

- People expressed interest in having more neighborhoods that support activity and entertainment.
- There was strong support for walkable access to small, locally owned businesses.
- There was a desire for more unique businesses (ethnic markets, record/bookstores) and features (art, pocket parks) that contribute to a neighborhood's special identity.



## Access

- People wanted to see more investment in public transit, especially buses. They discussed whether to add density before transit investments are made or only densify where transit access is currently available.
- People wanted to bike or walk for more trips, but need more infrastructure – sidewalks, signalized crosswalks, protected bike lanes, etc.
- People suggested focusing multi-modal improvements around neighborhood centers and other destinations.
- There was a recognition that driving will always be necessary for some trips and that it would be difficult for people to give up cars entirely.
- Increased traffic that will come with growth was a major concern.

“I’m very excited for Link Light Rail to come to the Eastside. I do still wish we had better mass transit, more bike lanes.”

## Housing

### Density

- People wanted to see the most density added to existing growth centers like Downtown, BelRed, Wilburton, and Eastgate.
- Parts of Crossroads, Factoria, Lake Hills, Newport, West Bellevue, and Wilburton could be good areas for more moderate density.
- Other residential areas of Bellevue are best suited for modest or gentle increases in homes.

### Housing Options

- People expressed interest in having a variety of housing options in all parts of the city. People felt that more residential areas of the city were best suited to smaller scale options like backyard cottages, duplexes, triplexes, and cottage housing. In neighborhood centers, areas with good access to jobs and transit, people felt medium scale options like small two to four story apartments, courtyard apartments, and town homes would be appropriate. Only a few participants indicated that they wanted no change.
- People wanted to see support for the creation of family-sized apartments and other middle housing options that have two or more bedrooms per unit.

### Neighborhood Amenities

- People expressed interest in supporting the development of amenities like recreational opportunities, night markets, public plazas, art, urban gardens, street trees, etc. alongside the development of housing.

Understanding the lived experience of people who are looking for housing, worried about staying in their current home, or thinking about where their children or grandchildren will live, is as important as understanding what the data says. During this phase of engagement, people were invited to share their personal stories. Here is a small sample:

...I was a student at Bellevue College, where I also had a part time job...**I was unhoused** for a brief amount of time...This reality drove me to seek work and housing in Seattle late 2021, where at least more programs exist to help people in need. With my own ears I have heard Bellevue citizens brag about the fact that you don't see as many homeless folks in Bellevue, **as if the lack of support the city has to offer is something to be proud of.** It makes me sick.

...I'm a young 72 year-old woman **living in a 55 and over subsidized apartment building** in West Bellevue. I love Bellevue...I never imagine I could ever live here, because of high cost of housing. This is the only way I can live here comfortably.

...I've been in an apartment, in Bellevue, 650 sq. ft., \$1725/month + \$335/month storage. I've retired from the UofW, but have had to take on an Amazon job, as a Grocer Associate, to make ends meet. I'm afraid I've been priced out of the market...**I'd like to stay in Bellevue. It is home. But, I'm not sure where I'll find housing.**

...I am a healthcare professional who was distanced cloused out of Seattle and chose the Eastside rather than move north or south of Seattle...We bought the house in 1995 for 105k. The increase in value is shocking, **on paper I'm more than a millionaire but squeaking by on property taxes.**





Participants engage in small group discussion at Connection Deep Dive, August 3, 2022

### How This Input Was Used

Input from this phase of engagement was used to inform the development of growth options that eventually became different alternatives that were studied as part of the environmental review process. Broad themes, concerns, and desires that were incorporated into the growth options included:

- A strong interest in seeing a variety of housing options and low-scale density increases in all parts of the city.
- Support for an increase in mid-rise housing in mixed-use centers and putting more density in areas served by frequent transit.
- Interest in significantly increasing housing capacity. One alternative increases the housing capacity by 70,000 additional housing units, twice the target increase.
- A desire for more unique, quirky, active spaces that offer more to do.
- A desire to enhance existing Neighborhood Centers and look at creating new ones without pulling investment from those that already exist.

Input from this phase of engagement was also used to help inform updates to existing policies and the development of new policies.



## Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team

As the “Anchor of the Eastside” Bellevue is home to large companies, entrepreneurs, arts organizations, developers, property owners, human-services providers, and major institutions. As part of the planning process the city brought together these diverse parties along with neighborhood leaders to form the **Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team**.

This group came together in a series of monthly meetings between June 2022 and March 2023.

In these meetings Strategy Team members brought their subject matter expertise and lived experience to conversations to engage in shared learning and exploration of complex issues. The primary goal of these meetings was to better understand how to balance the different perspectives and interests of the many sectors that make up Bellevue.

Input from the Strategy Team was used to inform the development of land use growth options and compile a set of qualitative data that was shared with decision makers.

Out of discussions that covered a wide variety of topics, the following themes emerged:

- Emphasis on the **need to create a strong vision** for Bellevue that is bold and innovative.
- Acknowledgment that **creating that vision will require partnerships and good communication** between groups that have not always worked together, such as developers, city staff, non-profit organizations, and neighborhood leaders.
- Acknowledgment that it will take work to **bring skeptics along and include the perspectives of those whose voices have been historically marginalized**.
- Consensus around the **need for affordable housing options to support Bellevue workers living in the city they work in**.
- Consensus that the comprehensive planning process will **need to take sustainability into consideration**. This includes preserving tree canopy and green space, providing adequate transit, and supporting electrification.
- **Emphasis on equity over profitability** – but acknowledgment of the need for a balance of incentives and regulation to increase equity in housing and development.

### Team Members

Amazon  
Baylis Architects  
Bellden Café  
Bellevue Art Museum  
Bellevue Chamber  
Bellevue Downtown Association  
Bellevue School District  
Bellevue School District – Student Representative  
Bellevue PTSA  
CHIME (Chinese Employees of Microsoft)  
Congregations for the Homeless  
Eastside Easy Riders Coalition  
Eastside for All  
Eastside Legal Assistance Program  
Futurewise  
Habitat for Humanity  
Housing Development Consortium  
Indian American Community Services  
Jubilee Reach  
Kemper Development  
Kin On  
Master Builders Association  
Master Builders – Built Green  
Neighborhood Leaders – Downtown, West Bellevue, Eastgate, Lake Hills, Northeast  
Overlake Hospital  
People for Climate Action  
Puget Sound Energy  
Republic Services  
Seattle-King County Realtors  
Sierra Club  
Sophia’s Way  
Su Development  
Unico Properties  
Visit Bellevue  
Vulcan  
YWCA Overlake Hospital

## Middle Housing: Tell Your City Partner Organizations

Africans on the Eastside  
BizDiversity  
Brazilian Community  
Services  
Hopelink  
Immigrant Women's  
Community Center  
Indian American  
Community Services  
Islamic Center of Bothell  
King County Promotores  
Network  
Larissa Chuprina  
Pride Across the Bridge  
Team TEAD  
United Hub  
YES, Latine Youth & Family  
Services

## Eastside Middle Housing Collaboration

In 2023, Bellevue, along with four other Eastside cities – Bothell, Kenmore, Newcastle, and Redmond – collaborated on an engagement effort to better understand the need for and interest in expanding “middle housing” options such as duplexes, triplexes, townhomes, cottage homes and other housing types.

With a grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce and working through A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH), the partner cities contracted with Eastside for All to assist with outreach to underrepresented populations whose voices and perspectives have not historically been part of public planning processes in East King County.

Eastside for All collaborated with a number of community-based organizations on the design and execution of the outreach which consisted of a mix of events, small group conversations, and individual meetings. In addition to the conversations, participants also had the opportunity to provide input via a survey that was co-created with the partner organizations.

Of the 651 participants,  
**35% or 228**  
individuals were  
residents of Bellevue.

**51%**  
of all participants  
were renters.

**80%**  
of all participants  
were non-white.

**61%**  
of participants from Bellevue expressed support for having middle housing options in the city, even if those options might not be affordable to them.

**46%**  
of all survey participants indicated that they had to move due to high housing costs; 54% of those who said they had to move because of housing costs, 54% said having middle housing options would have helped.

At the end of the collaboration a follow up event was scheduled between the cities and the community-based organizations to share how input was used and to further relationship building.



City staffer answers question at Housing Forum, March 18, 2022

## What We Learned – Phase 3 – Discussing Options for Growth

Based on the input received during Phases 1 and 2 the planning team developed several options for how the city could meet its housing targets. Engagement efforts in Phase 3 focused on getting a deeper understanding of the community’s views on development and housing. The engagement goals were:

- Understand how community members would prioritize key development goals.
- Learn what features people value in a neighborhood.
- Identify potential pros and cons of different approaches to meeting the city’s housing targets.

The two key engagement opportunities during this period included:

- A statistically valid survey of Bellevue residents.
- Housing forums where people could learn about and discuss different approaches.

This phase also led up to the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS has a separate process governed by the State Environmental Policy Act. Engagement conducted and comments received as part of that process are not covered in this summary.

## Statistically Valid Survey

Getting participation that represents the broader community can be challenging so the city worked with an outside research firm to design and conduct a statistically valid survey of Bellevue residents to better understand:

- How to prioritize planning goals.
- What features residents value in a neighborhood.
- How open residents are to adding new housing types throughout the city and in their neighborhood.

During the first two phases of engagement community members raised a number of concerns related to future growth. To get a better understanding of what issues should be prioritized the survey asked respondents to rank their top priorities.

Overall, Bellevue residents ranked housing costs as the top development priority. They also prioritized tree canopy, and the ability to walk to or conveniently access small businesses, gathering spots, and unique things to do.

- 1 Homeownership Opportunities for Different Incomes
- 2 Preserve and Enhance the Tree Canopy
- 3 Ability to Walk to a Meeting Place
- 4 More Locally Accessible Businesses
- 5 Unique Things to Do
- 6 Ability to Drive Places and Easily Find Parking
- 7 Preserving the Size & Scale of Existing Suburban Neighborhoods
- 8 Housing for All Income Levels
- 9 Frequent Bus Service
- 10 Housing for Families with Children

The survey design provided the opportunity to compare differences between demographic groups. Some notable findings included:

- Respondents at **nearly all incomes prioritized providing homeownership opportunities** for a variety of income levels. Housing costs were a priority even for those making above the median income for Bellevue.
- Both renters and homeowners ranked preserving and enhancing Bellevue’s tree canopy as a high priority.
- Renters placed a high priority on housing for all income levels, while homeowners prioritized preserving the size and scale of existing suburban neighborhoods.
- Respondents under 30 ranked the ability to walk to a meeting place and access to frequent bus service top priorities.
- For respondents over 56, preserving and enhancing the tree canopy and preserving single-family neighborhoods ranked the highest.
- Housing costs and attainable home ownership at all income levels was ranked highest for respondents between 30 and 56.

Survey respondents were also asked about their level of support for increased housing, including townhomes, apartments and condominiums, both in their neighborhood and throughout Bellevue.

### Support for new housing development throughout Bellevue



Overall, 67% of respondents supported development throughout Bellevue with the remainder being neutral or opposed.

### Support for new housing development in your neighborhood



Overall, 54% of residents support new housing development in their neighborhood.

There were significant differences between demographic groups. Renters, younger residents, and residents in existing high-rise and mid-rise neighborhoods were nearly twice as likely to support new housing development, whereas homeowners, older residents, and residents in primarily residential areas were more likely to oppose new development throughout Bellevue.

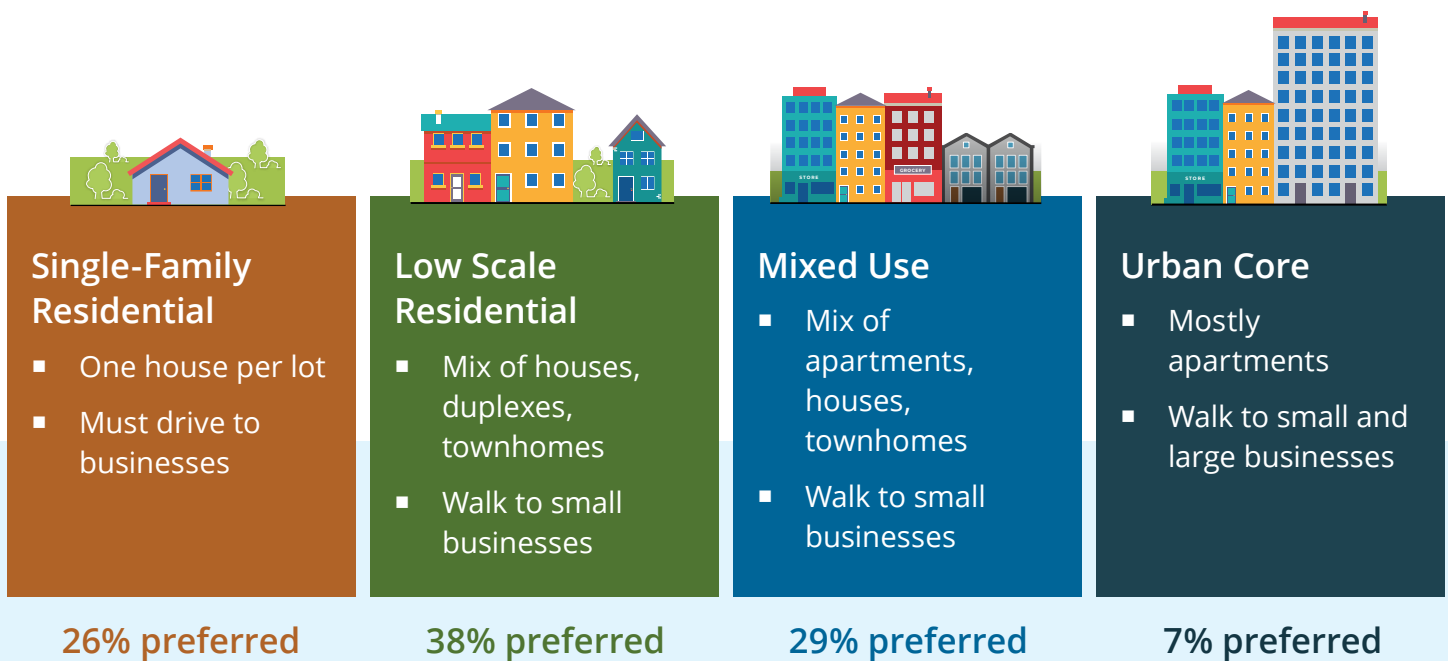
Finally, the survey included a unique exercise designed to understand what features residents prioritize when considering their ideal neighborhood based on a specific set of criteria. Respondents were prompted to *“Think about the kind of neighborhood you would like to live in today and in the future. What would your ideal neighborhood look like?”* They were then presented with a series of neighborhood designs based on five attributes with different options under each attribute. Those attributes were:

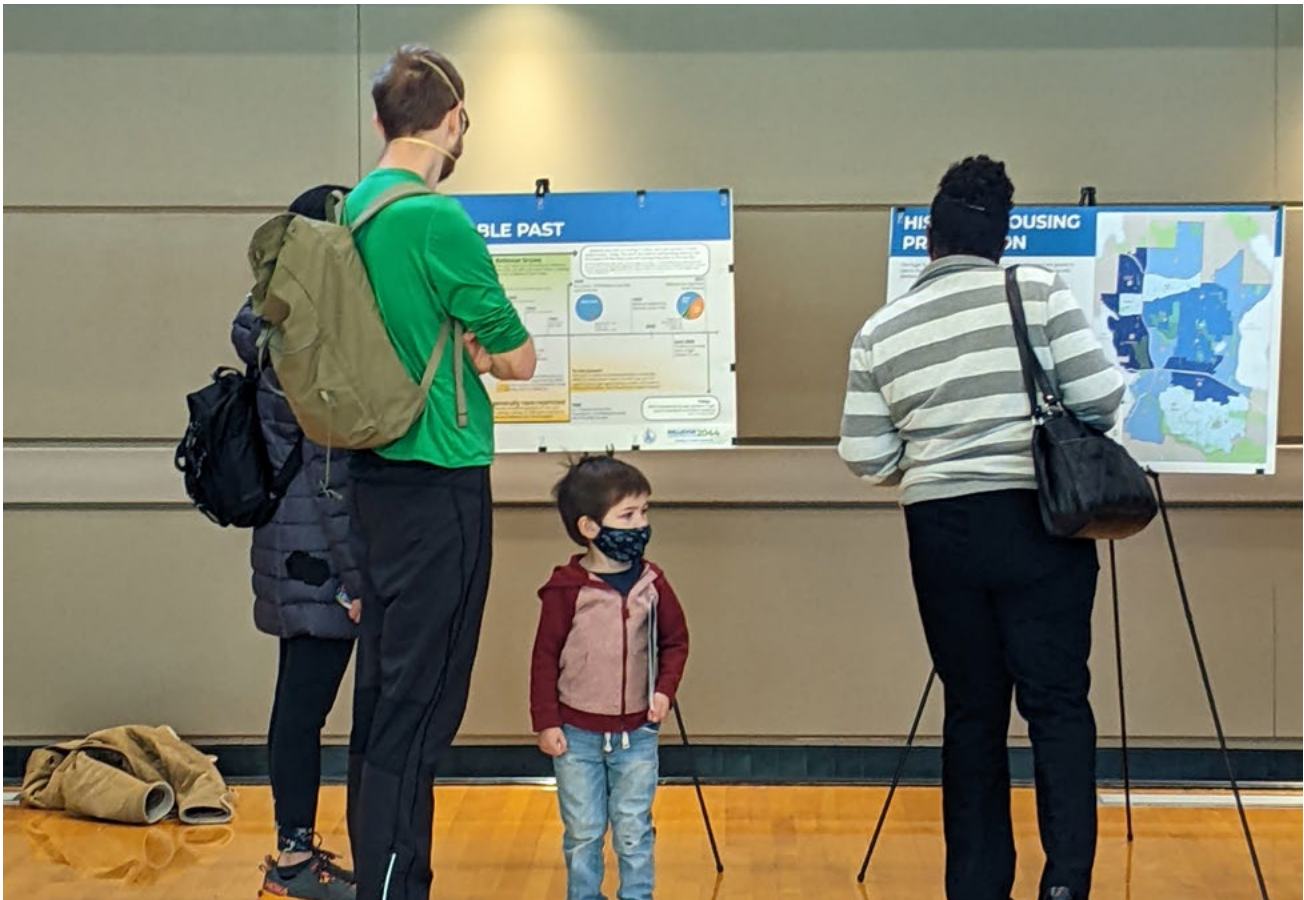
- The mix of housing types
- Access to businesses and services
- Requirements for affordable housing
- Street design
- Access to and type of park or green space

Of the five attributes, the mix of housing was the most important factor. Single-family housing received the largest single share of support (38%); however, overall, residents expressed a preference for neighborhoods that have a mix of housing types (62%) from lower to higher scale densities.

The data also showed strong preferences across all demographic groups for convenient, walkable access to businesses and services, requirements for affordable housing options, and streets that are designed for pedestrian and bike safety.

Analysis of the survey exercise revealed four neighborhood designs that have high levels of resident preferences.





Participants at Housing Forum review data, March 18, 2023

## Housing Forums

At the Housing Forums participants looked at three options for adding additional housing capacity throughout the city as well as the possible outcome of continuing with the status quo. For additional context, attendees were able to review findings from the 2022 Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) and were given a copy of the Planning for Housing Guide which provided background information on state & regional planning requirements, demographic information about Bellevue residents, descriptions of the options under consideration, and more.

At the Housing Forums attendees were invited to answer the following questions:

- What values do you think should guide the city's planning efforts around housing?
- How has the issue of housing affected you, your family, or community?
- What do you like about any part of the options for adding new housing capacity?
- What concerns do you have about any part of the options for adding new housing capacity?

In talking about their values participants shared **social values** related to the high-level principles that should guide decision making and **material values** related to the kinds of things people want to see in their neighborhood.

The top social values expressed (in order of importance) were **Safety, Sense of Community, Fairness/Equity, Sustainability,** and **Opportunity.**

The top material values expressed (in order of importance) were **Affordability, Access to Parks & Green Space, Walkability/Access to Amenities,** and **Housing Options.**

In speaking about their personal experiences around housing people raised a number of issues.

**Affordability** was the issue raised most often, with the cost of buying a home, high rents, and rising property taxes being the biggest concerns.

**Mobility, Walkability,** and **Accessibility** were closely related themes that came up frequently. Several people talked about family members who have a disability or other mobility challenges and therefore need to live near transit. People also expressed enthusiasm for more walkable neighborhoods where they can easily access goods and services or meet up with friends. People also wanted to see more sidewalks, bike lanes, or other facilities that would increase safety.

**Impacts of Growth** on the **Environment** and **Traffic** were also big concerns. People were concerned about the loss of trees and noted the importance of having shared open space at multi-family apartments so children can play, and neighbors can gather. Increases in traffic and congestion are a concern for many; people want to see more investment in transit-oriented development to help ease the strain.

Maintaining Bellevue's **Quality of Life** and fostering a sense of **Community** is critical to many people. People value the schools, parks, trees, and many other amenities that make Bellevue a desirable place to live and they fear this will be lost as Bellevue grows. People spoke highly of Bellevue's **Diversity** and are worried that people from different backgrounds are being pushed out.

Finally, through small group conversations and comment cards, attendees at the Housing Forums were invited to consider what they liked about any aspect of the approaches and what concerns they had.

## Preferences/Agreements

People expressed the most support for options that:

- Include accessible neighborhood centers that support walkability, small local businesses, and third places.
- Support social connection and community building by helping people know and interact with their neighbors.
- Provide a variety of housing types and options that meet the needs of young families, middle-income workers, and seniors.
- Provide greater homeownership opportunities.
- Help preserve the tree canopy and provide access to parks, open-space, and community gardens/p-patches.
- Support affordability, particularly for lower income households. Many people expressed interest in broader use of incentives, regulations, and/or subsidies.





Participants share feedback with city staff at Housing Forum, March 18, 2023

## Concerns

In looking at the options, people raised concerns about:

- Whether simply increasing the supply/density would do enough to address affordability and what sort of accountability measures would be in place if the city does not meet affordability goals.
- New development that would be out of scale with existing neighborhoods; people want “cohesion, not chaos.” People want to know more about what new housing options would look like.
- Loss of trees and open space; people wondered if the city can continue to acquire enough land for parks given rising costs for land and pressure to put housing on available land.
- That there is not enough bus service to support planned growth. Currently, there are barriers to using the existing bus network (lack of frequency, not close to a stop) and without changes, people will still end up relying on their cars which will contribute to traffic.
- The potential for displacement of people on fixed incomes/lower-incomes and the displacement of small, locally owned businesses.

## What We Learned – Phase 4 – Reviewing Updates to the Vision and Policies

During the final phase of engagement community members had the opportunity to review draft revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and provide feedback. The goals of engagement during this phase were to:

- Affirm that the city's core values were reflected in the update.
- Learn what people liked about the updates in order to confirm that previous feedback had been considered.
- Identify any priorities or issues that were still missing, so they could be addressed prior to the release of a final draft of the Comprehensive Plan.

The primary engagement opportunities were a series of open houses and online questionnaires. Open houses were held at a variety of locations and on different days of the week and times to provide as many opportunities as possible for people to participate.

### Vision Statements

When asked what values they saw reflected in the city's vision statement and the vision statements that anchor each element of the Comprehensive Plan people called out:

- Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Fairness
- Environment, Sustainability, Climate
- Safety and a Sense of Community
- Innovation, Growth, and a Focus on the Future.



This chart shows how respondents to the questionnaire felt about the vision statements. 63% felt positively, 12% were neutral, 15% had mixed feelings, and 11% had a negative opinion of the vision statements.

People with positive feelings about the Vision Statements generally liked that they emphasize equity and inclusion; focus on the environment and sustainability; and are supportive of a community where everyone can thrive.

*“They align with what I want to see Bellevue be. A place that cares about creating a space where all people can thrive equally that ensures a sustainable future.”*

People with mixed feelings about the vision statements cited several reasons. Some felt that they did not go far enough, particularly around housing and the environment. Others felt that the draft vision statements were conflicting, particularly around growth and the environment. Others felt that certain demographics like youth or seniors were not adequately represented in the statements.

People with negative opinions most often felt that the draft vision statements were overly broad or were skeptical that these statements were truly reflective of community sentiment.

The questionnaire also invited people to tell the planning team what priorities were missing or needed additional emphasis in the vision statements. The top four issues raised by respondents were:

- **Transportation.** Over half of the respondents who raised transportation related issues wanted to see a stronger emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure or greater expansion of public transportation, which they felt would improve safety and contribute positively to the environment. About one quarter of respondents spoke about the need to address traffic and generally wanted an emphasis on prioritizing the flow of automobiles.
- **Public Safety.** Many respondents expressed concerns about crime. They wanted to see a stronger statement about keeping crime low and supporting law enforcement.
- **Housing Affordability.** Many respondents wanted to see an even stronger emphasis on supporting the development of housing that is affordable to people across the income spectrum.

“...affordable, reasonable housing is NOT available to the majority of the middle class in Bellevue. \$2,000 to \$3,000/month is outside the means of many of the core workers needed to make this an ‘equitable’ and ‘inclusive’ city.”

- **Environment.** Respondents who addressed the environment largely wanted to see a stronger emphasis on sustainability and addressing climate. There were several commenters who felt that additional growth and density would have a negative impact on the environment, especially trees, in Bellevue. Another theme that emerged was around equitable access to parks and nature in all neighborhood areas.

There were a few other themes of note. Respondents who raised issues related to **growth and density** were split between those who wanted to see growth restricted and those who supported increasing housing density. There were also a number of commenters who expressed a desire to see greater emphasis on supporting **social connection and community building** through increased human services, more gathering spaces and support for programs that bring people together.

## New and Updated Policies

In early 2024 the planning team released drafts of all the new and updated policies for every element of the Comprehensive Plan. Members of the public were invited to share feedback about what they liked and what ideas or considerations were missing.



## Housing

### What People Liked

When asked which policy moves sounded good and why, respondents most often cited:

- Affordable housing
- Adding overall supply and density
- Transit-oriented development
- Addressing homelessness
- Providing housing options/ middle housing



City staffer answers question at Vision Open House, October 14, 2023

“Housing Supply and Choice - This has the potential to keep essential and crucial community service providers such as teachers, emergency responders living in the area they serve!”

### What Was Missing

When asked what considerations or ideas were missing, respondents raised the following issues:

- Concern about the impacts of regulation on the creation of housing and a desire for more simplified permitting.
- A desire for policies that more explicitly address the concerns of older adults including the impacts of rising property taxes, the need for universal design, and access to services.
- There were also a significant number of respondents who do not like the new and updated policies and wish to retain the current status quo, particularly in single family neighborhoods.

“I don’t see anything about protecting small landlords from burdensome regulations. It’s important to recognize their role in providing affordable rental housing to the market - and they are small businesses, too. When you over-burden one to five unit landlords, it encourages them to sell their rental homes which reduces the rental pool.”



## Land Use

### What People Liked

When asked which policy moves they liked, people most often brought up themes related to mixed-use development and enhancing neighborhood centers. The most often cited benefits to this type of development were:

- The ability to support frequent transit and allow people to take fewer car trips.
- Increased walkability of neighborhoods.
- Access to retail and services close to home.

“Bellevue for too long has compartmentalized separately housing, retail, entertainment, and all other functions. I have to get in my car to do anything that’s not in my backyard.”

### What Was Missing

When it comes to what was missing from the Land Use element, no particular theme rose to the top. Participants raised a number of issues regarding what they would like to see added including:

- Stronger policies to limit housing development near highways and other sources of air pollution.
- More specificity around affordable housing policies including the types of incentives the city will use and more explicit requirements for affordable housing in mixed-use and neighborhood centers.

On some issues, like parking requirements, respondents were split with some people wanting to see a lifting of parking minimums and others who want to preserve parking.



City staffer speaks with participant at Draft Policy Open House, January 20, 2024



## Neighborhoods

### What People Liked

When asked which policy moves they liked, people most often brought up issues related to quality of life, including.

- New and updated policies related to firearm safety, addressing racially motivated crimes, and emergency preparedness.
- New policies to ensure that people's basic needs can be met in every neighborhood.
- Policies that support creating spaces and opportunities for social connection and gathering.
- New policies that provide a more specific definition of neighborhood character. It is important to many people the city's neighborhoods retain a unique sense of place.

“New policy to ensure people's basic needs are met in every neighborhood... WHY? Green space is necessary to offset the density of housing and to make healthy places for people to gather and children to play.”

### What Was Missing

People raised a variety of ideas and considerations that they felt were missing from the Neighborhoods element.

- Several people wanted more focus on safety, including a focus on crime prevention, addressing neighborhood crimes like mail theft, and broadening definition of hate crimes to include the LGBTQIA+ community.
- People also wanted more done to support walkability like adding sidewalks, slowing down vehicle speeds, and ensuring safety for people who walk, use a stroller or need a mobility device.
- Support for more equitable engagement, engagement with neighborhood groups, and a desire to policies related to helping older adults age-in-place were also themes that came up more than once.



## Transportation

### What People Liked

Transportation related topics that came up most frequently had to do with public transit, safety, and bike or pedestrian infrastructure.

- People are interested in increasing the city's investment in public transit. They are supportive of improving transit hubs, increasing the frequency and availability of public transit, and connecting transit to trails.
- Many people talked about safety for pedestrians and cyclists. They want to see more walking and biking infrastructure such as sidewalks and separated bike lanes.

### What Was Missing

People raised a variety of issues with no particular idea or consideration getting a majority of responses. Some things that people felt were missing from the Transportation element included.

- A more explicit connection between transportation and climate. Some respondents felt like reducing carbon emissions that come from transportation should feature more prominently in policies.
- More explicit policies about connecting neighborhoods to one another and neighborhoods to key destinations throughout the city via transit or other forms of transportation.
- Related to this people feel that most of the focus on transportation improvements happen in Downtown, the Grand Connection, or Wilburton. Many people want more thought to go into how to improve transportation options in the neighborhoods.



Participants at Community Conversation, February 8, 2024



## Climate & Environment

### What People Liked

When asked which policy moves sounded good and why, respondents most often cited:

- The focus on reducing carbon emissions received strong support from respondents.
- Policies to advance the electrification of buildings and transportation were seen as important to achieving goals around reducing carbon emissions.
- Policies around preserving and enhancing the city's tree canopy also received wide support.
- Many respondents expressed support for all of the new and updated policies in the Climate & Environment element.

### What Was Missing

When asked what ideas or considerations were missing, people raised a variety of issues.

- Many respondents called on the city to do more and go faster when it comes to addressing climate change and advancing these policies. In some instances, people wanted to see more mandates and in others, wanted implementation to be sped up.
- Respondents also wanted to see more policies related to transportation including doing more to support public transit and other forms of transportation, supporting the transition to electric vehicles, and a desire to tie development to the provision of transit.

"I was born and raised in Bellevue and now attending UW Seattle. I am worried about how the City of Bellevue is not doing enough to reduce our GHG emissions. This is URGENT but is being treated like we have all the time in the world. We do not. We young people are depending on the Planning Commissioners to be well educated about climate change and how we must address it as urgently as possible."





City staff speaks with community members at Draft Policy Open House, January 20, 2024

## Other Elements

The remaining elements all received far fewer responses to the online questionnaires. However, a number of themes and ideas did emerge.



## Parks

- Respondents are generally supportive of all the new and updated policies, especially policies related to acquiring more land for parks.
- Respondents want to see more of an emphasis on more natural spaces that support wildlife habitat and connection to nature.



## Community Engagement

- Many respondents were supportive of all the new and updated policies. Respondents particularly like policies that support increased communication and collaboration with community members.
- Some respondents wanted to see more explicit policies around engaging older adults and the LGBTQIA+ communities.
- There is divided opinion about whether to prioritize the voices of existing residents over other community members or to do more to engage people who work in Bellevue but cannot afford to live here or other groups who have an interest in what happens in the city.



## Human Services

- Respondents cited many different policies that they liked. The new policy to support the development and participation of youth was called out most often.
- Respondents raised a number of different issues or considerations that they felt were missing including calling out specific populations like older adults, LGBTQIA+, and veterans as groups who might require specific services.

“I am proud of our city for the men’s homeless shelter and Mary’s place. I also want the council to push King County to require ALL cities (Medina, Sammamish, Mercer Island) to step up to the plate and do MUCH more.

I want Bellevue to be prepared, to have resources, to handle what I anticipate will be serious problem. I don’t want to live in Burien, Seattle or San Francisco. We must be much more proactive and prepared. Some cities (Salt Lake?) have been more successful than those around here.

Let’s get ready.”



## Urban Design & The Arts

- Respondents showed the most excitement about supporting the BelRed Arts District and making Bellevue more of a destination for arts and culture in general.
- Some respondents specifically called out the need for venues, programming, and classes to support live performance like music, theater, and dance.



## Utilities

- Respondents expressed support for many of the sustainability focused policies, including reducing the city’s use of fossil fuels, increasing the use of native plant species, and sustainable stormwater management.
- Respondents raised a number of issues as additional considerations including addressing internet access/competition and ensuring our utilities systems are prepared for emergencies.



## Economic Development

“We require street-level retail for buildings, but they lease the retail to single businesses that are not pedestrian-oriented. We should require businesses that will encourage a more vital, engaged street scene.”

- In general respondents were supportive of all the new and updated policies. Many respondents called out the new policies related to displacement as positive additions.
- Respondents are supportive of policies that assist small businesses and ensure that neighborhoods are well served by needed retail and amenities.



## Capital Facilities

- Respondents called out the focus on sustainability as positive additions and updates. They particularly liked support for increased recycling and composting at city facilities and the use of renewable energy.

### How This Input Was Used

Input from this phase of engagement was shared with the Planning Commission and other boards and commissions to consider as they made recommendations for amending policies. Additionally, the planning team reviewed comments for additional ideas or concerns that could be addressed in policy prior to the release of the final draft of the Comprehensive Plan.

## Diverse Voices

Achieving representative participation that aligns with the city's demographics was a central goal of this effort. Bellevue is the fifth most diverse city in the state, which meant that the planning team needed to make an intentional effort to hear from a broad range of voices. Other demographic groups such as youth, older adults, and renters also have specific concerns that needed to be considered.

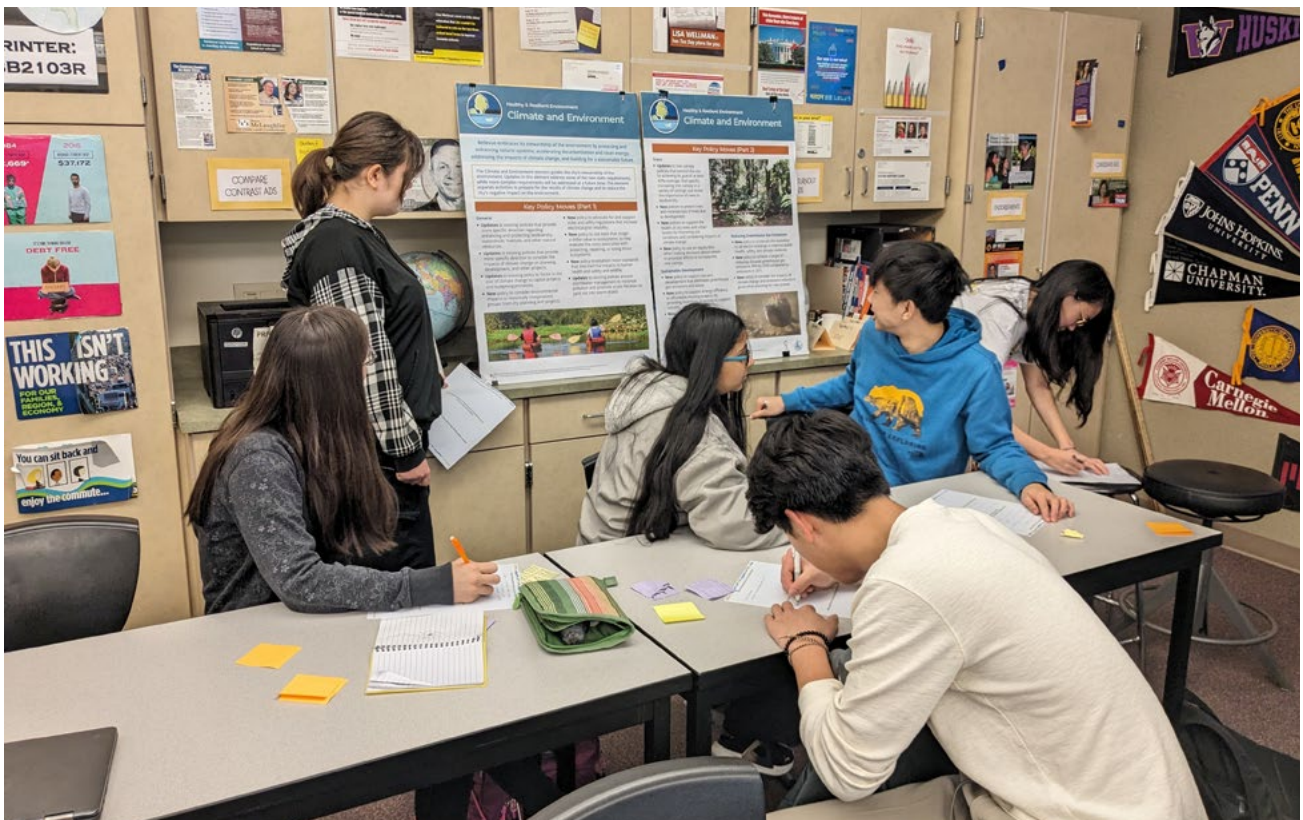
Through special workshops, presentations, focus groups, and other opportunities, the planning team was able to connect with diverse groups and identify specific issues.

### Cultural Outreach Assistants

To support culturally relevant outreach, the planning team utilized three Cultural Outreach Assistants to help connect and engage with the Latine, Chinese, and South Asian communities. Working from the principle of “meeting people where they’re at,” the Cultural Outreach Assistants were able to organize tabling opportunities at key locations including grocery stores and faith communities. Cultural Outreach Assistants also built strong relationships with community partners that led to in-language and culturally relevant workshops and presentations for a variety of organizations.

### Youth

The planning team held several workshops with students from Big Picture School, Bellevue High School, and Newport High School and also gave several presentations to Bellevue Youth Council. When speaking about what they liked most about Bellevue, youth most often cited parks and recreation opportunities as things that made the city livable for them.



Newport High School Students discuss policy, January 30, 2024

When it comes to areas for improvement youth participants emphasized a desire for **more transportation options**, particularly expanded bus service. Youth also want more things to do and places to gather; they are looking for more **“engaging locations”, “fun areas”,** and **“community & recreation spaces.”** Cost was another factor that was raised; youth look for things to do that are free or have a lower cost. Youth also expressed concerns about addressing the impacts of climate change, housing affordability and more support for mental health, the LGBTQIA+ community, and opportunities for civic engagement.

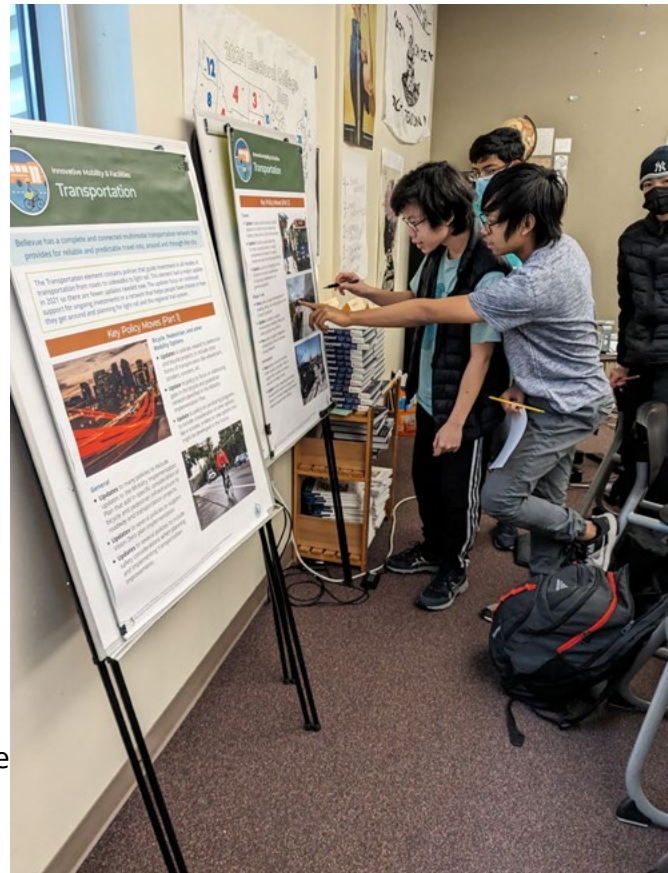
### Vulnerable Families

In focus group discussions with both Family Connections staff at the Bellevue School District and in conversations with Mary’s Place staff and families, the planning team were able to hear from people who often struggle the most. Housing is a top issue for these community members, and they have some unique challenges.

- **Difficulty navigating the system.** Application fees for rental apartments, lack of credit history, and challenges getting landlords to accept Section 8 vouchers came up frequently.
- **Accountability of landlords.** People are afraid to report problems like broken appliances, mold or other issues for fear of retaliation or losing housing.
- **Fast rising rents.** People living on the margins cannot keep up with rent increases. Many people asked about the possibility of creating a rent stabilization program.
- **Access to services.** People spoke highly of the many organizations that provide services on the Eastside. However, the need is greater than what is available. It can be especially difficult for undocumented families or unaccompanied minors to access services. People suggested the ideas of hub communities or co-locating services with housing to better meet the needs of people.

These community members see Bellevue as a good community for families; they especially value the educational opportunities that are open to their students and see that as critical to their economic mobility. Ultimately people would **“rather struggle in Bellevue, than make ends meet somewhere else,”** if it means their children have a brighter future.

Inclusion is a particular issue for vulnerable families. There are community members who feel overlooked or unseen by the city. In several meetings people asked some variation of the question, “Does the city want us here?”



Newport High School Students discuss policy, January 30, 2024

## Communities of Color

In talking to various groups that represent the diverse communities that make up Bellevue some clear themes emerged. **Housing costs** were the most significant issue people raised. Many people have lived in Bellevue for decades; they have roots in the community and want to stay here, but they fear being **displaced** by rising rents and overall cost of living increases.

**Economic opportunity** and **cultural representation** were also important issues raised by

diverse communities. People who own or want to start a small business find it increasingly difficult to find appropriate and affordable space. This makes it hard for people to find culturally relevant food, household goods, and other services. People also want to see their cultures and traditions better reflected in public art, spaces, and celebrations.

Finally, many people expressed a desire to have more **connections to city leadership** and want more opportunities to be heard and seen.

## Older Adults

In conversations with individuals, presentations to the Bellevue Network on Aging, and presentations at retirement facilities and senior centers, many issues specific to older adults were raised. As with other groups, housing was a top concern. Older adults want to be able to age in place or stay in the communities they have called home for decades. **Rising property taxes**, lack of affordable housing **options to downsize to**, and the need for more housing that utilizes the principles of **universal design** are all challenges. Mobility was another top concern. Older adults may drive less and need **more public transit**, particularly bus service. They also want to see more support for **walkable neighborhoods** with sidewalks and access to amenities and services close to home. Finally, many older adults wanted to see more support for **social connection**, with particular consideration given to adding a senior center in Downtown or other proposed growth areas.

## What's Next

This summary of Bellevue 2044 Community Engagement is meant to be used by decision-makers and the public as a reference document. As the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Plan continues to go through the legislative process, people can consult the summary to be reminded of the some the key issues community members have raised and their hopes for the future. Members of the public will continue to have opportunities to participate through upcoming study sessions and hearings that will be held by the Planning Commission and City Council.



Participants engage in small group discussion at Community Conversation, February 8, 2024

## Appendix A: List of Public Engagement Events

2022

Date	Event Name	Audience
February 17	Neighborhood Leadership Gathering	Citywide
March 5	Pop-Up Tabling at Mayuri Grocery Store	BIPOC
March 8	Presentation to Lochleven Neighborhood Association	Neighborhoods
March 11	Pop-Up Tabling at La Superior Grocery Store	BIPOC
March 22	Bellevue 2044 Virtual Workshop – Setting the Vision	Citywide
March 27	Pop-Up Tabling at H-Mart	BIPOC
April 6	Pop-Up Tabling Bellevue Chamber Breakfast Event	Business
April 8	Planning Workshop at Big Picture School	Youth
April 12	Planning Workshop for Little Masters Youth Leadership	Youth & BIPOC
April 14	Presentation – Master Builders Association	Developers
April 15	Presentation to Watermark Senior Living	Older Adults
April 23	Pop-Up Tabling Lochleven Block Party	Neighborhoods
April 23	Pop-Up Tabling Indian Grocery Store	BIPOC
April 28	Planning Workshop for Latinos Unidos	BIPOC
April 30	Pop-Up Tabling Lake Hills QFC	Neighborhoods
April 30	Pop-Up Tabling – Asian Family Market	BIPOC
May 7	Bellevue 2044 Vision Open House	Citywide
May 9	Planning Workshops – Newport High School	Youth
May 14	Pop Up Tabling – 4Tomorrow Family Fair, Lake Hills Elem.	Neighborhoods
May 15	Pop Up Tabling – Sikh Center of Seattle	BIPOC
May 16	Planning Workshops – Newport High School	Youth
May 17	Presentation – Newport Community Club	Neighborhoods
May 18	Presentation – Bridle Trails Community Club	Neighborhoods
May 18	Presentation – Sustainability Ambassadors	Youth
May 20	Presentation – NAIOP – Commercial Real Estate Developers	Developers

Date	Event Name	Audience
June 21	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #1	Community Partners
July 14	Bellevue 2044 Community Deep Dive – Sustainability	Citywide
July 19	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #2	Community Partners
August 3	Bellevue 2044 Community Deep Dive – Connection	Citywide
August 9	Pop-Up Tabling – Bridle Trails Community Club Night Out	Neighborhoods
August 16	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #3	Community Partners
August 23	Bellevue 2044 Community Deep Dive – Mobility	Citywide
September 9	Pop-Up Tabling – Mid-Autumn Festival	BIPOC
September 15	Presentation – Bellevue College Faculty Orientation	Educators
September 15	Bellevue 2044 Community Deep Dive – Housing	Citywide
September 20	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team Meeting #4	Community Partners
September 21	Pop-Up Tabling – Youthlink Orientation	Youth
September 22	Presentation – Indian American Community Services	Older Adults & BIPOC
October 29	Pop-Up Tabling – Lake Hills Trunk or Treat	Neighborhoods
November 1	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team Meeting #5	Community Partners
December 13	Presentation – Bellevue Downtown Association Breakfast	Business
December 13	Presentation – Lochleven Neighborhood Association	Neighborhoods
December 13	Presentation – Seattle King County Realtors	Business



## 2023

Date	Event Name	Audience
January 24	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #6	Community Partners
January 25	Presentation - Bridle Trails Community Club	Neighborhoods
January 31	Presentation – Bellevue Schools Family Connections Staff	Educators
February 2	Focus Group – Mary’s Place Staff	Vulnerable Families
February 2	Focus Group – Mary’s Place Guests	Vulnerable Families
February 9	Presentation – Bellevue Collection Merchants Breakfast	Business
February 11	Pop-Up Tabling – Muslim Association of Puget Sound	BIPOC
February 13	Presentation – Bellevue Essentials Alumni Coffee	
February 13	Focus Group – Bellevue Schools Family Connections Staff	Educators
February 14	Presentation – Stevenson Latina Moms Group	BIPOC
February 16	Discussion – Indian American Community Services – Mothers Group	BIPOC
February 28	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #7	Community Partners
February 28	Bellevue College Open House	Youth
March 2	Discussion – Latinos Unidos	BIPOC
March 9	Bellevue 2044 Presentation in Mandarin & Cantonese	BIPOC
March 18	Bellevue 2044 – Housing Options Open House	Citywide
March 21	Bellevue 2044 – Housing Options Community Discussion	Citywide
March 23	Bellevue 2044 – Housing Options Virtual Lunch & Learn	Citywide
March 28	Bellevue 2044 Strategy Team – Meeting #8	Community Partners
March 28	Presentation – Bellevue Chamber	Business
April 13	Global Innovation Exchange Open House	Youth
April 22	Workshop – Bellevue Youthlink Conference	Youth

Date	Event Name	Audience
May 3	Bellevue 2044 – Survey Results Virtual Lunch & Learn	Citywide
July 12	Presentation – Bellevue Sustainability Leaders	
October 9 – 24	Bellevue 2044 – Continuous Vision Open House at City Hall	Citywide
October 10	Bellevue 2044 – Virtual Drafting the Plan Kick-Off	Citywide
October 14	Bellevue 2044 – Vision Open House at Crossroads	Citywide
October 19	Bellevue 2044 – Evening Vision Open House at City Hall	Citywide
October 26	Presentation – Eastside Urbanism	

## 2024

Date	Event Name	Audience
January 31	Presentation – Bridle Trails Community Club	Neighborhoods
January 20	Bellevue 2044 – Draft Policy Moves Open House	Citywide
January 23	Planning Workshops – Big Picture School	Youth
January 30	Planning Workshops – Newport High School	Youth
February 8	Bellevue 2044 – Community Conversation with Bellevue Diversity Advantage Network	BIPOC
February 27	Planning Workshops – Bellevue High School	Youth

## Appendix B: Review of Communication Efforts

### 2022

Number of Posts	Platform	Impressions	Reach
13	Facebook & Instagram		375 - 1,100
11	Twitter/X	500 - 1,432	
17	Nextdoor	1,252 - 2,760	
15	WeChat	4,451	125 - 1,582

### 2023

Number of Posts	Platform	Impressions	Reach
16	Facebook & Instagram		288 - 597
6	Twitter/X	778 - 1,614	
8	Nextdoor	822 - 1,662	
19	WeChat	6,875	312 - 2,169

### 2024

Number of Posts	Platform	Impressions	Reach
3	Facebook & Instagram		263 - 589
1	Twitter/X	1,090	
2	Nextdoor	1,887 - 3,059	
3	WeChat	193	193

## Paid Digital Advertising

### 2022

Event/Opportunity	Platform	Impressions	Reach	Clicks	Dates Ad Ran
Vision Questionnaire*	Display Ads			663	Apr 7-May 7
Vision Questionnaire*	Social Ads			750	Apr 7-May 7
May 7 Open House	Facebook & Instagram	5,266	3,391	20	Apr 30-May 7
Missing Middle Housing Questionnaire	Facebook & Instagram	43,817	15,088	540	Oct 19-Nov 7

### 2023

Event/Opportunity	Platform	Reach	Clicks	Dates Ad Ran
Housing Forums	Facebook & Instagram	8,556	137	Mar 15-Mar 22
Draft Vision Questionnaire	Facebook & Instagram	16,587	409	Oct 27-Nov 10

### 2024

Event/Opportunity	Platform	Reach	Clicks	Dates Ad Ran
Policy Surveys	Facebook & Instagram	56,774	1,866	
Jan 20 Policy Open House	Facebook & Instagram	21,205	498	

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