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From left, James and Reece Everton of Bothell and Sophia and Oliver Jacobson of Edmonds explore "Night Blooming."

New sculptures at Botanical Garden capture wind and light

By Christina Faine, Parks & Community Services Public Information Officer

The Bellevue Botanical Garden, a quiet celebration of the natural world, now offers an even richer experience for visitors with the addition of sculptures that capture wind and light.

Andrew Carson's "Large Galaxy," a 14-foot tall kinetic sculpture that moves with the breeze, marks the main entrance to the 53-acre garden. Step inside "Night Blooming," a beehive-like dome on the Lost Meadow Trail made with reclaimed lumber, and the light coming through gaps in the structure looks like shooting stars in the middle of

"It's very unusual to have two

new sculptures in the same decade - let alone the same year," said Botanical Garden Manager Nancy Kartes.

Mike Peterson of Seattle's Gallery Mack, a fan of the Botanical Garden, donated "Galaxy" in memory of his longtime partner, Barbara Keith. The stainless steel, glass and copper sculpture adds a year-round splash of color to the garden. The artist's work can be found in nearly all 50 states and beyond.

Taiji Miyasaka and David Drake created "Night Blooming" for the Bellevue Arts Museum's "Knock on Wood" exhibition. Miyasaka donated the piece to the city after it was at BAM from 2014 to 2016.

"Few public art pieces are as

universally loved as Night Blooming," Kartes noted. Indeed, on a spring morning, five preschoolers walked in and around the 13-and-a-half-foot dome, fascinated by the way it looks from inside and out.

"Night Blooming" is made of oldgrowth tamarack and fir boards that had originally been part of larger planks used to build grain silos in eastern Washington in the first half of the 20th century. The piece is reminiscent of Bellevue's own evolution from an agricultural community into a modern, high-tech hub.

WSU students helped build the artwork, which was then deconstructed into over 50 pieces and transported to Bellevue, where it was reassembled.

Council considers draft Land Use Code for shelters

By Brad Harwood, Deputy Communications Officer

At a public hearing on June 11, the City Council heard from over 70 community members on a draft Land Use Code Amendment (LUCA) for shelters. The draft LUCA proposes regulations for homeless-related services uses citywide, which include permanent shelters and day centers.

Councilmembers specifically asked for feedback on two issues: 1) whether background checks and/or warrant searches should be required for access to shelters and 2) whether the code should include buffers or separation requirements from sensitive uses.

Final action on the LUCA could take place as early as June 25, but the council has also left open the possibility of further discussion on July 2 and 16. The council is not voting to select a permanent

On Feb. 12, Mayor John Chelminiak announced that the council would begin the discussion

about permanent land use code regulations regarding homeless shelters. The goal throughout the process has been to develop regulations for adoption by the August recess. The council approved interim regulations through an emergency ordinance last August.

The Land Use Code is a permitting tool that governs the location, design and approval process for development in the city. This amendment would add regulations to the code to determine how and where a homeless shelter can be sited in Bellevue.

The draft LUCA is a direct result of a robust public outreach effort which occurred throughout March and April. The initiative included a citywide online survey, one large workshop at City Hall, an optional "listening session" and two "Q&A sessions" at local community centers.

For the latest news and additional background on the process, visit: https://bellevuewa.gov/ shelterluca.

COUNCIL CORNER



A vision for the city where you want to be.

In 2014, the City Council crafted a 20-year vision for the city that begins with the statements: "Bellevue welcomes the world.

Our diversity is our strength." For the last four years, those words have guided our policy and decision-making.

This year, we recommitted to that vision, with an added emphasis on being the city where you want to be. During the May 7 meeting, the council unanimously adopted the vision statement and three-year priorities for 2018-2020.

But to achieve these council goals, our leadership through city government must reflect the diversity of our population of over 140,000. (With more than 100,000 people coming

into Bellevue for jobs here, our work-day population swells by almost 70 percent to 235,000.) In the last several years, the city has implemented programs that encourage civic involvement of people from all of Bellevue.

These programs include Bellevue Essentials, a kind of local civics class, that provides an entry point for emerging community leaders. About 30 graduates of the program have moved on to positions on city boards and commissions. One graduate - Jared Nieuwenhuis now serves on the council.

The next Bellevue Essentials

class will be this fall. Applications are due by Aug. 1. More information is available at https://bellevuewa.gov/bellevueessentials.

Another program is Cultural Conversations, a popular discussion group aimed at increasing understanding and community connections, while leveraging the city's growing diversity through storytelling, art, presentations and conversation. For some participants, the city program at the Crossroads Community Center is an introduction to our local government.

Cultural Conversations has a summer recess, but will convene again in September.

Today, we see the city's diversity represented on our boards and commissions, in our staff and our city leadership, including the City Council.

Over the next three years, as Bellevue continues to grow, the council will focus on serving the needs of our diverse population as we tackle the strategic target areas identified in our vision: Economic Development; Transportation and Mobility; High-Quality Built and Natural **Environment**; Regional Leadership and Influence, Achieving Human Potential; and High-Performance Government.

This approach will be essential for achieving our final goal of making Bellevue "a great place where you want to be for all of our residents.



COUNCIL ROUNDUP

By Brad Harwood, Deputy Communications Officer

Shoreline Master Program updated

The City Council voted on May 21 to adopt an update to the city's Shoreline Master Program (SMP). The vote marks the conclusion of a 10-year process and, as part of an agreement with the state Department of Ecology, allows Bellevue to forgo another state-mandated update for eight years.

SMPs are local land-use policies and regulations that guide use of shorelines throughout the state and are reviewed and approved by Ecology. The new update includes changes to nonconforming regulations, dock standards and shoreline stabilization.

Bellevue has been working on a comprehensive update to its shoreline program since 2008. Ecology conditionally approved the city's updated version last year. In January, an agreement in principle was reached on how to address some required changes. Then in April, Ecology sent a letter to the city encouraging the plan's adoption. A public hearing was held on May 7.

Transportation projects moving forward

On May 14, the council provided direction on two important transportation projects. The city will move forward on a trail project along Interstate 90 and defer work to add a high-occupancy vehicle lane on Bellevue Way Southeast until funding becomes available.

The city will build trail crossings over Factoria Boulevard Southeast and I-90 and I-405 off-ramps, plus other improvements. The \$17.5 million project will be done with \$16 million from the state. It's part of a broader plan to fill a threemile long gap in the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail along I-90. Construction of the long-planned trail crossings is

expected to begin in late 2018 and finish in 2020.

For the southbound HOV lane on Bellevue Way Southeast, design work is now 30 percent complete, but the estimated \$22 million needed for construction of the project's first phase has not been allocated.

The council decided to defer the rest of the design work until 2021-2022, with construction to follow as funding becomes available in the capital budget. The design work that's already been done would still be applicable.

Cutting down on cut-through

Congestion on arterial streets and regional highways in Bellevue can make the commute to and from work slower, especially during the evening commute. On April 2, the council heard an overview of how cutthrough traffic, especially during commute times, is spilling onto neighborhood streets and what's being done to address it.

Staff with the city's Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program (NTSS) told councilmembers two major factors are contributing to more commuter traffic in neighborhoods. One is rapid population and job growth in Bellevue and the region. The other factor is the increased popularity of navigation applications such as Google Maps and Waze that route drivers away from congestion on major roadways, often onto neighborhood streets.

Bellevue has responded with improvements to arterial streets and traffic signals, advocating for improvements to regional highways and transit, and working with volunteer traffic committees to come up with neighborhood-appropriate solutions. A new tool that has shown promise in decreasing evening commute traffic is to restrict turns during peak commute times.

Artist collective seeks connections in Bellwether exhibition

By Scott MacDonald, Associate Planner

What happens when you convene over 50 artists across a wide variety of mediums in downtown Bellevue and ask them to make connections? This is the question behind Bellwether, the city's reimagined

arts exhibition, set to open in September.

Historically a biennial, threemonth show of sculptures and installations downtown, Bellwether gets a radical reboot this year as a 10-day festival of art, music, performance and the unexpected produced by the city in collaboration with Bellevue's arts community.

For the first time in its 25year history, Bellwether will be a curated event, with SuttonBeresCuller – Seattlebased artists John Sutton, Ben Beres and Zac Culler – picking the art and organizing the event. Their vision: "For 10 days and nights, Bellevue will act boldly with vision, imagination, enthusiasm and ingenuity, pushing the creative limits of the city through a series of contemporary arts experiences."

Beres said, "The Bellevue Arts Museum, Compass Plaza and Downtown Park will be venues to see cutting-edge contemporary art."

SuttonBeresCuller, whose work ranges from gallery pieces to installations to performance art, will also be among the artists presenting in Bellwether. Working in and outside of traditional gallery settings, they have engaged and provoked unsuspecting audiences with works that are often not what they seem.

In its new format, Bellwether is designed to harness the energy and creative talent of Bellevue's fastest growing residential neighborhood. Bellwether runs Sept. 14-23. More information and updates will be available at https://bellevuewa.gov/arts.

If you have questions, reach out to Josh Heim, Bellevue's arts manager, at 425-452-4105 or *jheim@bellevuewa.gov*.



China's recycling ban affects Bellevue

By Michael May, Utilities Public Information Officer

You may have heard that China has enacted a ban on imported recycled materials. China was once the largest importer of mixed paper – paper other than cardboard, such as magazines, junk mail and office paper. This market has all but disappeared.

Since the Chinese market for mixed paper is closed, not all paper collected curbside in Bellevue will find a second life. Some is being sent to the landfill. There just are not enough markets here and internationally to take all this paper.

- **1.** Keep recycling your mixed paper. Although some may end up in the landfill, a good portion of mixed paper is still finding its way to market.
- **2.** Avoid "wishful recycling." Only put items in that you know can be recycled. Find recycling guidelines at www.RepublicBellevue.com.
- **3.** Food contamination is a big source of problems. Make sure food containers are empty, clean and dry before you put them in your cart.



Bellevue welcomes new fire chief

By Lenka Wright, Chief Communications Officer



Bellevue has a new fire chief. Jay Hagen, who has more than 33 years of fire service experience, was appointed last month by City Manager Brad Miyake. Hagen hails from the Seattle Fire Department where he had been assistant chief of operations.

"After conducting a national search, Bellevue is welcoming a highly skilled, highly educated and very experienced fire service executive in Jay Hagen to lead our fire department," Miyake said. "Having lived locally for the last 20-something years, Jay recognizes the tremendous achievements of the Bellevue Fire Department and understands the opportunities and challenges facing fire and emergency services.

"Jay's leadership capabilities, outstanding credentials and breadth of experience in all areas of the fire service combined with his passion for the community, fire safety, innovation, diversity and long-standing commitment to mentoring the next generation are a great fit for our city," the city manager added.

"I am grateful for this incredible opportunity to lead a well-respected fire department in a city where my kids went to school," Hagen said. "As fire chief, I look forward to getting to know the men and women of Bellevue Fire as well as working in partnership with the community."

Hagen began his career as a firefighter with the fire department in Missoula, Montana in 1986. He then joined the Seattle Fire Department in 1988, moving up through the ranks over the years to

lieutenant, captain, battalion chief, deputy chief and, finally, assistant chief in the operations division, where he supervised more than 1,000 uniformed and civilian employees.

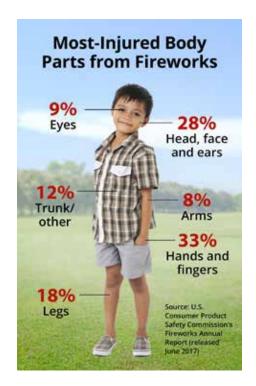
Hagen has a bachelor's degree in organizational communications from the University of Montana. In March 2006, he earned a Master of Arts degree in Homeland Security and Defense from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

Hagen lives with his wife Theresa in Newcastle. They have two grown daughters.

Miyake expressed appreciation to Todd Dickerboom, who served as interim fire chief for seven months, after Fire Chief Mark Risen retired in September.

Stay safe, avoid \$1,000 fine - don't use fireworks

By Brian Gomez, Fire Public Information Officer



Communities across the country will come together on July 4 to enjoy a variety of events, culminating with spectacular fireworks displays. Bellevue is no exception, with thousands expected to enjoy the Family 4th at Downtown Park or another public display in the area.

Fireworks are illegal in the Bellevue and neighboring cities, except for permitted displays. Private fireworks in Washington last year caused hundreds of injuries and fires that resulted in \$309,000 worth of damages. The penalty for illegal use of fireworks in Bellevue increased this year from \$100 to \$1,000.

Bellevue police and firefighters will conduct fireworks safety patrols throughout Bellevue on and around July 4, and those patrols will include enforcement. Please keep your community

safe by observing the fireworks ban.

The use of fireworks has been illegal in Bellevue since 1994, except for permitted displays. Nonetheless, the city routinely receives complaints about the use of fireworks throughout the year, particularly around the July 4. Each Independence Day, thousands of people, most often children and teens, are hurt using fireworks. The fireworks-related injuries reported to the State Fire Marshal's Office in 2017 included 26 that resulted in amputations.

Bellevue Fire and Police recommend that people take advantage of the elaborate public displays in Bellevue and throughout the region. These displays are done by licensed professionals in coordination with the Bellevue

Fire Department, which works to keep attendees safe. In addition to the Bellevue Family 4th, residents can attend one of these other free, Eastside public fireworks displays.

- Lake Sammamish Fireworks Show – viewing area at Vasa Park
- · Lake Boren Park in Newcastle

The best way to protect you and your family is to not use fireworks – period. Please help us spread the word that fireworks are illegal in Bellevue by "hosting" a yard sign or asking us to send a reminder to a neighbor. Contact the Fire Department (425-452-6872 or fire_prevention@BellevueWA.gov) or the Police Department (425-452-4129 or styler@bellevuewa.gov).

City launches neighborhood area planning

By Mark Heilman, Community Development Outreach

What do you love about your neighborhood? Are you interested in meeting with your neighbors, exploring ideas about the future and enhancing the unique character of your neighborhood? If so, neighborhood area planning may be for you.

Neighborhood area planning is a collaboration between the city and citizens to identify what is needed to help our diverse neighborhoods remain vibrant and adaptable to changing needs while retaining their distinct character. Each plan will reflect the priorities and interests expressed by the residents and businesses in the neighborhood area.

Opportunities for participation in Bellevue's neighborhood area planning will include traditional workshops, public meetings and small group meetings, as well as walking tours, storytelling and artist-supported activities. Online activities will also provide a variety of opportunities for interaction, including comments, photos and stories in interactive forums, surveys and maps.

Two early meetings have been part of the initial launch of the program:

 On May 29, Mac Cummins, Community Development director, introduced the program to the City Council, saying "Over the course of my nine months here, nary a public meeting with neighborhood groups has gone by when this subject hasn't come up." The council made the start of neighborhood area planning one of its priorities for this year. "You can see the council is very interested in this," Mayor John Chelminiak said. "I know the community is very interested in this."

• On June 12, city staff introduced the program to the community at a City Hall forum. Participants provided feedback on what is distinctive about their neighborhoods, what opportunities they see for the future and how to promote an inclusive conversation that allows all voices to be heard..

Each plan is expected to take about a year to complete, with the time for each neighborhood's most active participation targeted to run from September to June, parallel with the school year.

With 16 different neighborhood areas, the program will rotate through all the neighborhood areas over a multi-year schedule. The order that the neighborhood area plans will be done has not yet been determined. The council will be asked to give direction on the project, including the order of neighborhood areas planned, this summer.

If this sounds interesting to you, please add your voice to the discussion. More information about the program, including meetings and updates, is available at https://planning.bellevuewa.gov/planning/planning-initiatives/neighborhood-area-planning.

Questions? Contact Mark Heilman (*mheilman@bellevuewa.gov* or 425-452-2735).

2017 highlights captured in annual report

By Claude Iosso, Digital Communications Coordinator

"This is Bellevue, Washington, where the world is welcomed. We believe our diversity is our strength. We embrace the future while respecting the past."

The introduction to the city's annual report includes these words, and the document highlights the near past, featuring coverage of milestones from 2017.

- completion of the circular promenade at Downtown Park;
- a \$100 million federal loan, obtained to help pay for major road improvements in the BelRed area;
- the opening of the Global Innovation Exchange in BelRed; and
- more big-league tech companies, including Amazon and China's Baidu, opening offices here.

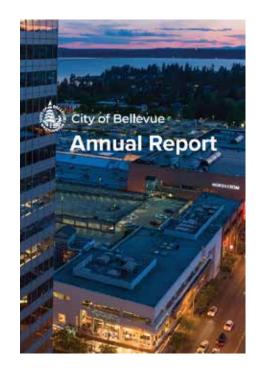
As chronicled in the report, in 2017 Bellevue

continued to grow and prosper while retaining the feel of a suburban city with great neighborhoods, excellent schools and a high quality of life.

Mayor John Chelminiak introduced the report at the annual State of the City address in front of the Bellevue Downtown Association on April 24.

Packed with colorful photos of events and programs, the 28-page document covers efforts by the city last year to build strong community, protect our natural resources, foster orderly growth, enhance our economic vitality and keep people moving.

Hard copies of the report are available at City Hall, community centers, Mini City Hall, visitor centers and county library branches in Bellevue. An electronic file can be downloaded from the city website – look under publications at https://bellevuewa.gov/communications.



East Link light rail 30 percent done

By Marie Jensen, East Link Outreach, Transportation Department

With concrete guideway columns already standing in the south, central and north areas of the city – and some with girders to hold the tracks - and excavation for the downtown tunnel almost complete, Sound Transit is making solid progress on construction of East Link. The agency is about 30 percent complete on the light rail line set to start taking passengers in 2023.

South Bellevue

Traffic control on Bellevue Way Southeast provides for two lanes of travel during peak morning and evening commute times while nearby guideway and trench construction continues. Sound Transit will build a bypass road on the west side of 112th Avenue Southeast, north of the "Y," to allow for traffic for 18 months while the first section of a road-over-rail undercrossing is built.

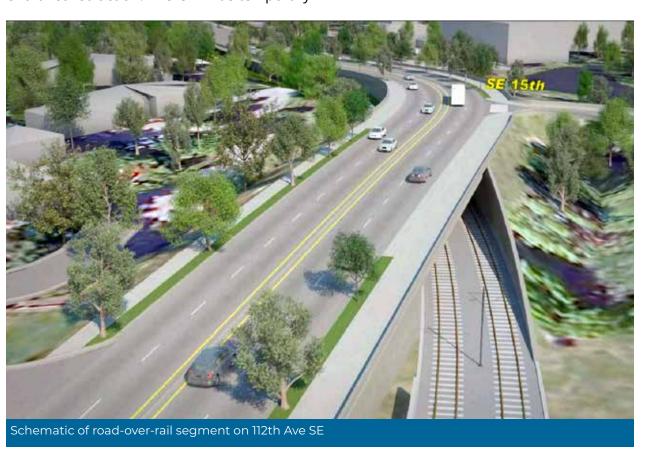
Central Bellevue

The elevated guideway over Interstate 405 and 116th Avenue Northeast is taking shape. Traffic restrictions are coming in July for Northeast Sixth Street between 110th and 112th avenues. However, 110th Avenue Northeast will reopen with one lane in each direction between Northeast Fourth and Sixth streets. Construction of the Bellevue Downtown and Spring District/120th stations will soon start.

North Bellevue

An aerial guideway over Kelsey Creek between 124th and 130th avenues is complete, with installation of track and retaining walls next. 130th Avenue Northeast remains closed near Northeast 15th Place, but will likely reopen later this summer. On 136th Place Northeast, the southbound lane remains closed until the end of construction. There will be temporary closures of Northeast Spring Boulevard and on 132nd Avenue Northeast this summer.

East Link construction updates are available at https://bellevuewa.gov/east-link and http://soundtransit.org/eastlink.



Police volunteer embodied spirit of service

By Seth Tyler, Police Public Information Officer

Bernie Krane, one of the Police Department's first volunteers, died unexpectedly last month. Krane, 85, joined the program in 1995 to help open the then new Crossroads substation and was still pulling a weekly shift at the front desk there at the time of his passing.

The retired entertainment promoter – who helped staff the Transit Center substation from 2006 to 2010 and planned and organized the police's National Night Out event at Crossroads – logged almost 4,800 hours in all over his 23 years as a volunteer.

In 2007 Krane received the President's Volunteer Award, presented to him by President George W. Bush on a SeaTac tarmac during a stop the president made in Seattle that summer.

"Bernie's legacy goes way beyond the number of hours and years he worked," police volunteer administrator Marji Trachtman noted. "Bernie was an amazing ambassador for the police department because he had a passion for helping people. He loved our officers, his fellow volunteers and the citizens he served. He was a bright light and a bundle of positive energy."

The Kranes lived in Bellevue from the mid-1970s until they moved to Kirkland in 2004. Despite the move, Krane remained a dedicated police volunteer in Bellevue. He was a fixture at the Crossroads substation desk every Wednesday, welcoming and helping everyone who came in

Krane is survived by his wife of 53 years, Paige, and their daughter Danielle.



Bernie Krane with then-president George W. Bush.



Data about permits now available online

By Jeremiah Griswold, Information Technology Systems Analyst

Data concerning over 280,000 permits the City of Bellevue has issued over the years are now available online. The permit records are presented both in a spreadsheet format and in interactive maps, which can be filtered for permit types such as single-family homes and major projects.

The city launched its open data portal (https://data.bellevuewa.gov) in 2016 with the intent to add data sets that offer multiple benefits to the community. Bellevue was recognized last year by the Center for Digital Government as a "Digital City," in part because of the engagement and innovation the data portal facilitates.

The city has steadily expanded the portal over the last two years. Almost half the data sets on the portal are now automated, so the information flows directly from internal systems out to the public on a regular basis.

In addition to the permit data, the city has rolled out data concerning traffic collisions and data around community risks.

In support of the city's edition of the national Vision Zero initiative to reduce traffic deaths and serious injuries, the city developed an interactive map last year that allows users to see where significant collisions on Bellevue streets have taken place over the last decade. There's a bar chart tracking yearly totals and layers for collisions involving vehicles, bicycles or pedestrians.

A new community risk map allows anyone to explore the location of fire stations in the city, see how their building ranks in the fire department's structural risk assessment (with low-, medium-, high- and special-risk buildings), as well as view the locations of fire incidents, fire protection systems and fire hydrants.

2018 shaping up as Bellevue's Year of the Bike

By David Grant, Transportation Public Information Officer

With a boost from the 2016 voter-approved Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy, 2018 is shaping up as Bellevue's year of the bike.

Crews will add about 19 miles of new bike lanes citywide, compared with 8.5 miles last year and 2.6 miles in 2016. In addition, several regional projects are providing new links to neighboring cities. Here are some highlights:

Regional trail network

In May, the state Department of Transportation hosted a celebration for the State Route 520 Trail, which opened last December. Through May 13 this year, more than 70,000 bicyclists and pedestrians crossed the floating bridge on the new east-west regional connection.

Plans call for King County in late June to officially open 2.7 miles of pedestrian-bicycle trail in Bellevue, part of the Eastside Rail Corridor that stretches from Renton north to Woodinville. On the city's south



Bicyclists ride a recently improved stretch of Northeast 24th Street, between Northup Way and the SR 520 trail.

Mobility upgrades target Eastgate area

By David Grant, Transportation Public Information Officer

The city's Eastgate area along Interstate 90 wins the traffic trifecta daily with commuter impacts from the highway, Bellevue College and major employers such as T-Mobile and Microsoft.

Bellevue is working to reduce congestion on city streets around Eastgate, as well as collaborating with King County Metro on new services at the Eastgate Park & Ride, and with the state Department of Transportation to maximize the efficiency of I-90. Improvements include:

- Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy projects: Improvements are coming on 150th Avenue Southeast at Newport Way, Southeast 37th Street and at the I-90 interchange. Also, new bike lanes will be added this year at several Eastgate locations. More information is available at https://bellevuewa. gov/transportationlevy.
- Eastgate Mobility Hub: Bellevue and King County Metro are partnering on a plan to transform the facility from a primarily car-to-bus transfer point into a technology-enhanced mobility hub offering a range of "first/last mile" options by 2025. Mobility options could include flexible and on-demand electric vanpool services, autonomous vehicles and a parking place detection system that alerts drivers, via a mobile app, to available stalls.
- I-90/Eastgate to SR 900 corridor improvements: WSDOT is finalizing plans to add an auxiliary lane between the Eastgate and West Lake Sammamish Parkway interchanges by widening the shoulder and re-striping the roadway. Construction, which also will include new noise walls along the route, is scheduled to begin in 2019 and finish in 2020.
- In-Motion travel options program: King County Metro's In Motion program will be in South Bellevue this summer, offering incentives for people who sign up and take a pledge to try transit, carpooling, biking or walking more. An In Motion outreach "ambassador" will be knocking on doors to talk with residents about their local transportation options.

end, the interim gravel trail runs between the Renton border and Newcastle Beach Park; on the north end, the segment runs between the Kirkland border and the BelRed area.

Later this year, work is expected to start on \$17.5 million worth of improvements to fill a gap in the Mountains to Sound Greenway along Interstate 90 in Bellevue, another east-west regional trail.

Downtown bike projects

A demonstration bikeway will be installed on 108th Avenue Northeast, from Northeast 12th Street to Main Street. It will be the first pair of bike lanes that run the length of downtown. The levyfunded project is expected to be completed in early July.

Other downtown-area improvements to the bicycle network include another levy project to improve bicycling on 108th Avenue Northeast, from Northeast 12th to 24th street, as well as projects on: 108th Avenue Southeast, Main Street to Bellevue Way; 112th Avenue Northeast, from Northeast 12th Street to the Kirkland border; and 112th Avenue Northeast, from Northeast Eighth to 10th Street.

Citywide bike share system

People already are pedaling green, orange and yellow bicycles to Bellevue but this summer, the city will unveil a pilot permit system for regulating private bike share companies that want to operate in Bellevue.

The new right of way permits will require bike share companies to provide electric bikes only, limit the number of bikes to a total of 400 to start and place restrictions on where the bikes can be left.

Eastgate projects

A slew of improvements this year will focus on the Eastgate area. Several bike lanes will be created through simple, inexpensive restriping to be completed as part of the city's annual overlay program. Here's the rundown: Southeast 38th Street, from the I-90 Overpass to 154th Avenue Southeast; and Southeast 38th Street, from the 14700 block to Allen Road (Levy project).

In addition: Eastgate Way, Richards Road to 160th Avenue Southeast; Newport Way Southeast near 150th Avenue Southeast; 139th Avenue Southeast, from Eastgate Way to Kamber Road (Levy project); and 142nd Avenue Southeast, from Southeast 36th to 32nd street (also a Levy project).

In the Lake Hills neighborhood, crews will improve 156th Avenue Southeast, from Southeast 22nd Street to Lake Hills Boulevard.



Report surface water pollution

Call the Bellevue Utilities 24-hour hotline at 425-452-7840 to report pollution going into Bellevue storm drains, which could threaten the quality of our streams and lakes. Examples of pollutants to report include:

- · leaks from automobiles;
- · concrete dumped on the street;
- · paint poured down a drain; and
- · chemical spills.

Bellevue Utilities will send a field inspector to investigate whether or not the area's surface water is polluted. The sooner you call, the more likely the issue can be resolved. For extreme emergencies such as spills involving fires or explosion hazards, call 911.

New name and structure for Community Development Department

By Mark Heilman, Community Development Outreach Lead

The Planning and Community Development Department is getting a new name and structure that better reflect its mission. "Planning" has been dropped from the name, and the department's programs and initiatives are now housed in three equally important divisions:

- · Planning;
- Neighborhood Services; and

• the Cultural and Economic Vitality Office.

"The phrase 'community development' represents people, places and business," explained Mac Cummins, the department director, who began revisiting the department's mission and broad scope of programs after he came on board last year.

"Community development is more aligned nationally with the terminology for forwardthinking communities concerned about neighborhoods, planning for growth in a smart way and cultivating business," Cummins noted. "And all services in these areas work together within one department."

The Community Development Department is home to a range of services, including strategic planning, comprehensive planning, economic development, arts, neighborhoods, housing, environmental sustainability and the city's Conflict Resolution

Center (also getting renamed after being called "Neighborhood Mediation.") The work of the department is centered on securing Bellevue's future as a livable, inspiring, vibrant and equitable community.

The shortened name can better describe the department's holistic approach to cultivating and building community, including planning, economic development and neighborhood services.

Neighborhood Enhancements for Bridle Trails, Northwest Bellevue

By Theresa Cuthill, Neighborhood Enhancement Coordinator

Gathering space? Landscaping? Traffic calming? Public art? Streetlights? What kind of improvements do Bellevue residents want to see in their neighborhoods? All of the above and more.

Since the city's Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) was restored in 2015, residents in the Eastgate/Factoria, Cougar Mountain/Lakemont, West Lake Sammamish, and Northeast Bellevue neighborhood areas have selected projects for the city to build. The Bridle Trails and Northwest Bellevue neighborhood areas are now in the process of choosing projects.

In neighborhoods throughout Bellevue, residents have voted for projects that improve safety, manage traffic and beautify their surroundings, funded through the \$5 million NEP budget for 2015 to 2022.

Over that seven-year period, the program rotates through two of the city's 14 neighborhood areas each year. The \$5 million is distributed among each



Adding a sidewalk to West Lake Sammamish Parkway was a recent NEP project.

of the neighborhood areas proportionately, based on the number of households in each area

In each neighborhood area, residents nominate projects they would like to see, then all residents in the area vote. The city takes on the projects with the most votes that can be funded through that neighborhood area's share of the NEP budget.

NEP projects in the past three years have included:

a flashing crosswalk on West

Lake Sammamish Parkway south of Southeast 26th Street;

- a trail connection between 152nd Place Southeast and 152nd Avenue Southeast that provides safe and improved community;
- new landscaping on Southeast 38th Street between 150th and 154th avenues, now in the final stages of planting; and
- a buffer on the Lewis Creek Wetland on Cougar Mountain scheduled for completion this summer.

Work will be underway soon on other NEP projects; a pathway extension on Lakemont Boulevard Southeast between the Lewis Creek Park trailhead and Southeast 62nd Street, new lighting and artwork in Lattawood Park, playground and trail improvements in Ardmore Park and new landscaping along 164th Avenue Northeast between Northeast Eighth Street and Northup Way.

For more information on the NEP program and when it will be in your neighborhood area, visit https://bellevuewa.gov/nep.



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BRIEFS

Input wanted for 2019-20 budget

City staff have begun preparing a 2019-2020 budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program plan for City Council consideration, and the process includes a number of opportunities for residents to provide input.

The City Council will hold public hearings about the budget in July and November, and residents can also provide input during oral communications at any future council meeting. The results of the city's annual business and performance surveys, along with those from the budget survey conducted in January and February, provide statistically valid data.

City Manager Brad Miyake will present a proposed budget to the council in October. Councilmembers will then review and approve the budgets before the end of the year. More information at https://bellevuewa.gov/budget.

Online city code now easier to use

If you need to find something in Bellevue's city or land use codes, the online platform for accessing them is now easier to use. The new interface at https://bellevue.municipal.codes mirrors the city website and is mobile-responsive.

New features include links to zoning definitions, alerts for recently codified ordinances and access to prior versions of the codes. For additional information about the new interface or new features of the city and land use codes, please contact Charmaine Arredondo, assistant director in the City Clerk's Office, at 452-6466.

EAST BELLEVUE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

East Bellevue quietly upgrading

By Stephanie Walter, EBCC Vice Chair

Take a walk around East Bellevue and you may see something unexpected. Two revitalized shopping centers, sculptures added to the picnic area at Robinswood Park, along with a new elementary school, middle school and high school. This well-loved area has been quietly upgrading.

The Lake Hills Village shopping center has been host to several community events since last fall - a Trunk or Treat evening, Family Game Night and Earth Day Celebration - all hosted by the Lake Hills Neighborhood Association. Keep your eyes open for more events, which might include summer concerts, candidate forums and winter holiday celebrations. And let's not forget the annual summer picnic at Evergreen Park.

There is a lot going on in our community and you all are welcome to join in the fun.

Part of what keeps a community thriving are the members who work hard, often in the background, not only to create events but also to identify potential problems and nip them in the bud before they get out of hand.

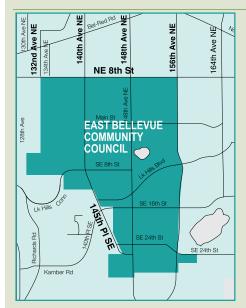
Comprehensive Plan supports neighborhoods

The Neighborhoods element added to the city's Comprehensive Plan in 2015 ensures that neighborhoods can adapt to changing needs and preserve what is cherished most. Relevant policies in the Neighborhoods element are:

- Social Connectivity (N-5): "Promote community connections that strengthen the social fabric of neighborhoods, including support for local neighborhood associations, community clubs, community centers, school organizations and nonprofits that invest in building community."
- Neighborhood Character (N-9): "Preserve and develop distinctive neighborhood character within Bellevue's diverse neighborhoods."

At times, pressures can disrupt a community and damage its cohesiveness. The Comprehensive Plan notes that, "Adaptable neighborhoods play an active role in responding to the changing needs and external pressures that impact their community." To support neighborhood adaptability, the city works to:

 Provide venues for two-way communication with residents to listen to and respond to emerging neighborhood opportunities and concerns.



For more information about the EBCC, call Deputy City Clerk Karin Roberts, 425-452-6806.

The EBCC meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.

Members: Hassan Dhananjaya, Ross Gooding, Betsi Hummer, Steven Kasner, Stephanie Walter

We welcome comments about the East Bellevue area. You can share your views with the EBCC via email at EBCC@bellevuewa.gov. To find out more about the agendas and decisions of EBCC, https:// bellevuewa.gov/city-government/ east-bellevue-community-council.

- Support the capacity of local neighborhood communities to actively engage and respond to changing internal neighborhood needs and external stresses.
- Regularly track changes in demographics and neighborhood indicators to improve city responsiveness to changing conditions in neighborhoods.

As an example of the impact of an active neighborhood, before these policies were even adopted, two-way communications in 2013 between the city and East Bellevue neighborhoods were key to addressing a proliferation of room rentals in houses in single-family, residential areas. Residents were concerned that houses built or remodeled specifically for room rentals were changing the character of their neighborhoods. Neighborhood associations provided the city with local insights for planning and creative solutions.

In April 2015, with input from residential neighborhoods and the Planning Commission, the City Council enacted Ordinance 6223, which made most individual room and short-term (transient) house rentals illegal in single-family residential neighborhoods.

Transient and/or single-room rentals in single-family neighborhoods are often advertised on websites like Airbnb.com or vrbo.com. The advertisement itself is not illegal, but may suggest that the home is being used for an unauthorized purpose.

If you have concerns about transient and/or single room rentals, please contact Code Compliance (425-452-4570 or codecompliance@ BellevueWA.gov) or via the MyBellevue mobile app or service portal on the city website https://BellevueWA.gov.

Bellevue Essentials class for all you want to know about Bellevue

By Julie Ellenhorn, Neighborhood Services

Are you interested in learning about the structure and inner workings of city government? The city is recruiting members for the 2018 class of Bellevue Essentials, the city's program for emerging neighborhood and community leaders.

Join a cohort of 35 exceptional individuals who will be selected to learn, engage and simulate the day-to-day challenges and



Bellevue Essentials tour with a park ranger

opportunities Bellevue faces. Participants will meet City Council members and key city staff, learning how Bellevue is moving forward. Individuals interested in deepening their knowledge of Bellevue city government and commitment to civic engagement should apply.

The nine-week course begins on Sept. 26, with eight weekly Wednesday evening sessions and a Saturday tour day on Oct. 6. Class size is limited to 35, and there has been a waiting list each year. The application deadline is Aug. 1. The selection committee is seeking participants who will represent Bellevue's diverse population and a broad range of geographic areas.

Since the annual classes began six years ago, 167 participants have graduated. About 30 have taken leadership roles as members of city boards and commissions and the East Bellevue Community Council.

"In addition to gaining a much better understanding of how our city functions, I gained a tremendous amount of gratitude for the city we live in and the people who make this their home," said Melissa Harp, a 2017 graduate. "Our class was extremely diverse, by every definition. We did not agree on all issues, but were on the same page when it comes to maintaining and improving Bellevue for the short and long term."

Class tuition is \$125 per participant and financial assistance is available. Tuition includes all classes, materials and a light dinner at each session. As noted, applications are due Aug. 1. Additional information and the application are available at https://bellevuewa. gov/bellevue-essentials. Or contact Julie Ellenhorn, Neighborhood Outreach (425-452-5372 or jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov).

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Throughout the city, there are many projects in various stages of development. This update includes all projects with an estimated budget of \$1 million or more, sorted by neighborhood. If you have questions, please contact the project manager.

BelRed

Mid Lakes Pump Station Capacity Improvements

Replace pump station in BelRed area. In design. Construction: TBD. \$4 million (est.)

Vanaja S. Rajah, vrajah@bellevuewa.gov

136th Ave NE Water Inlet Station and Transmission Main

Install water inlet station and 5,700 feet of 16-24-inch diameter transmission water main pipe on NE 8th St for additional capacity growth in downtown, BelRed and Wilburton areas and for improved water supply. Design 2017-2019; Construction 2019. \$ 26.6 million. Jay Hummel, jhummel@bellevuewa.gov

NE Spring Blvd: 116th to 120th Ave NE (Zone 1)

Widen NE 12th St to five lanes from 116th Ave NE to a new street connection west of the Eastside Rail Corridor (Zone 1A). From ERC to 120th: new four-lane roadway, a multipurpose path along the north side, and two bridges over the East Link light rail alignment (Zone 1B). Zone 1B is complete, Zone 1A construction 2018-2020 (est.) \$33.4 million.

Steve Costa, scosta@bellevuewa.gov

NE Spring Blvd: 120th to 124th Ave NE (Zone 2)

Design complete for a new four-lane roadway with turn pockets or center medians, landscaping, sidewalks, off-street paths for bicycling and on-street parking. Construction 2018-2020 (est.) \$26 million.

Steve Costa, scosta@bellevuewa.gov

NE Spring Blvd: 130th to 132nd Ave NE (Zone 4 EB)

Design and construct an eastbound lane, a bike lane, landscaping, and a sidewalk south of the future 130th light rail station. Construction 2020 (est.). \$17 million (est.) Gregory Lucas, glucas@bellevuewa.gov

124th Ave NE: Ichigo Way to Northup Way

Widen 124th Ave NE to five lanes. 90% design complete. Construction 2021, pending right-of-way acquisition. \$31 million (est.)

Marina Arakelyan, marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov

124th Ave NE: NE Spring Blvd to Ichigo Way

Widen 124th Ave NE to five lanes. Design complete. Construction fall 2018, pending right-of-way acquisition. \$29 million (est.) Marina Arakelyan, marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov

124th Ave NE: NE 12th St to NE Spring Blvd

Widen 124th Ave NE to five lanes. Complete design fall 2019. Construction 2020 pending right of- way acquisition. \$20.1 million (est.)

Marina Arakelyan, marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov

124th Ave NE: NE 8th to NE 12th Street

Restripe the roadway from four lanes to three lanes to provide bike lanes on both sides of 124th Ave NE. Sidewalks will remain on both sides, install illumination, upgrade sidewalk, driveways and intersections to be ADA compliant (interim solution). Seeking additional funding in 2019 to construct by 2021. \$ 0.9 million. Marina Arakelyan, marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov



Visualization of 130th Avenue Northwest between BelRed Road and Northeast 20th Street.

130th Ave NE: BelRed Rd to NE 20th St

Widen 130th Ave to include bike lanes, on-street parking, sidewalks, and landscaping. Construction 2020 (est.) \$25 million (est.) Gregory Lucas, glucas@bellevuewa.gov



Visualization of the 130th Avenue Northeast station area.

Downtown

Downtown Park - NE Corner

Design and permitting to improve pedestrian access and public art at the northeast corner of the NE 4th St and Bellevue Way intersection. \$5 million.

Ken Kroeger, kkroeger@bellevuewa.gov

Meydenbauer Basin NE 8th & 100th

Design and construct storm water conveyance improvements on 100th Ave NE and NE 8th St to reduce and eliminate local flooding. Construction 2018. \$4 million

James B. Nicolls, jbnicolls@bellevuewa.gov

Eastgate

Horizon View #1 Reservoir and Water Booster Pump Station

Install new reservoir and pump station. Construction underway. \$3.2 million.

James B. Nicolls, jbnicolls@bellevuewa.gov

Cougar Mountain #3 Pump Station Rehabilitation or Replacement:

Construction 2018. \$2.0 million

James B. Nicolls, jbnicolls@bellevuewa.gov

SE Newport Way: 150th Ave SE to Somerset Blvd

In design for a 10-foot wide multipurpose path on the north side and a five-foot bike lane on the south side of SE Newport Way. Construction early 2019. \$8.1 million.

Paul Krawczyk, pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.gov

150th Ave SE at SE 37th Street

This Neighborhood Congestion Reduction Levy project will provide turn lanes and one additional southbound through lane at the intersection. Funded for 60 percent design only.

Jun An, jan@bellevuewa.gov

150th Ave SE at SE Newport Way

This Neighborhood Congestion Reduction Levy project will provide a southbound right-turn lane at the intersection. Design complete 2019. Construction: TBD. \$ 2.6 million (est.). Jun An, jan@bellevuewa.gov

Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail – 132nd Ave SE to 150th Ave SE

Design a new 12-foot-wide trail Including crosswalks, landscaping, lighting, and urban design. Design complete winter 2018. \$1.2 million design only.

Chris Masek, cmasek@bellevuewa.gov

Factoria

Factoria Blvd Storm Conveyance Improvements

Improve storm water conveyance system along Factoria Blvd between SE 38th St and Richards Creek inlet. Construction 2019. \$3 million (est.).

Birol Shaha, bshaha@bellevuewa.gov

Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail: I-405 to 132nd Ave SE

Construct a 12-foot-wide multi-use trail Including bridge over Factoria Blvd SE. Improve the I-90 off-ramp to Factoria Blvd. Construction fall 2018. \$17.5 million.

Chris Masek, cmasek@bellevuewa.gov

Newport

Lower Coal Creek Flood Hazard Reduction Project

Replace five culverts and two outfalls in Newport Shores. One culvert completed. Construct two culverts in 2018. Two culvert construction cost: \$3.4 million (est.)

Debbie Harris, dharris@bellevuewa.gov

Newport Sewer Basin Capacity Improvements

Construct an offline wastewater storage facility adjacent to Bagley Pump Station and retrofit Newport lift station with new pumps to alleviate sewer capacity issues in the Newport sewer basin. Construction 2019. \$2.8 million (est.).

Birol Shaha, bshaha@bellevuewa.gov

Lake Hills

158th PI SE Sidewalk - Lake Hills Blvd to SE 5th St

Improve five existing crosswalks and add one new crosswalk site with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons, curb ramp and extend sidewalks for improved pedestrian crossing. Construction 2019. \$1.2 million (est.)

Sara Haile, shaile@bellevuewa.gov

Northeast Bellevue

NE Bellevue Crosswalk Improvements Project

Add a six-foot sidewalk on the east side of 158th PI SE between SE 6th St to Main St. Replace water main from Lake Hills Blvd to Main St. Construction summer 2018. \$2.3 million (est.)

Mike Rodni, mrodni@bellevuewa.gov

Northwest Bellevue

Pikes Peak Reservoir Replacement

Replace, upsize and improve existing 1.0 million-gallon steel water reservoir with new 1.25 million gallon prestressed concrete reservoir. Design 2018-2020. \$ 8 million.

Jay Hummel, jhummel@bellevuewa.gov

Cherry Crest Pump Station Replacement

Replace existing water pump station, combining both Pikes Peak and Cherry Crest pump stations into one. Design 2018-2019. \$8 million.

Jay Hummel, jhummel@bellevuewa.gov



Meydenbauer Bay Park - Phase 1

Implement master plan. Expand park west of 99th Ave NE. Construction underway, with completion end of 2018. \$17 million. Scott VanderHyden, svanderhyden@bellevuewa.gov

Vuecrest Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

Rehabilitate the existing sewer system. Construction 2018. \$1.1 million (est.).

Stephen Noeske, snoeske@bellevuewa.gov

Vuecrest Sanitary Sewer and Water Main Replacement

Replace sections of existing sewer system and a section of asbestos-concrete water main. Construction complete spring 2018. \$1.3 million (est.).

Stephen Noeske, snoeske@bellevuewa.gov

West Bellevue

Surrey Downs Park Development

Implement the updated park master plan. Construction underway, with completion by the end of 2018. \$6 million.

Pam Fehrman, pfehrman@bellevuewa.gov

West Lake Sammamish

West Lake Sammamish Parkway (Phase 2): SE 200 Block to NE 800 Block

In design for a 10-foot wide multipurpose path on the west side and a four-foot shoulder on the east side of WLSP. Coordination with the Utilities Department on the water main project. Construction spring 2019. \$8.1 million.

Paul Krawczyk, pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.gov

Wilburton

NE 8th Street Culvert Replacement at Kelsey Creek

Replace existing culverts with a new fish passable culvert. Construction underway. \$3.2 million.

James B. Nicolls, jbnicolls@bellevuewa.gov

Wilburton Area Sidewalk Projects

This Neighborhood Levy project will provide sidewalks on 118th Ave SE, 128th Ave SE/NE, and NE 2nd St. Construction June 2018 through August 2018. \$2 million (est.)

Jun An, jan@bellevuewa.gov



Various Locations

Wastewater Pump Replacement

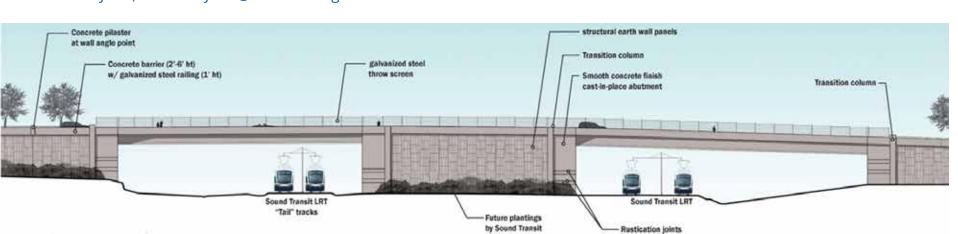
Replace aging pumps at eight wastewater pump stations: Grange, Killarney, Meydenbauer, Bagley, Pleasure Point, Yarrow Point, and lift stations along LK Washington Blvd. Construction: 2018-19; \$1.8 million (est.)

Birol Shaha, bshaha@bellevuewa.gov

East Link Light Rail

Expect traffic control on Bellevue Way SE and 112th Avenue SE as aerial guideway construction begins. Northern portion 110th Ave. NE at NE 6th Street closed through July 2018. Current News: https://bellevuewa.gov/east-link. Sound Transit Construction Alerts: https://soundtransit.org/subscribe. 24-Hour Construction Hotline 1-888-298-2395

Marie Jensen, mjensen@bellevuewa.gov.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Strawberry Festival

June 23, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., June 24, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Crossroads Park, 16140 NE 8th St.

Entertainment, auto show, vendors, food and family fun. Hosted by the Eastside Heritage Center with support from the City of Bellevue.

http://bellevuestrawberryfestival.

Bellevue Four on the Fourth Dog Jog & Walk

July 4, 8 a.m.-noon Ashwood Park, 10895 NE 12th St. \$20-40 425-453-1223 or http:// Bellevuedowntown.com/events/

Noncompetitive 4K event for people and their furry friends that benefits Seattle Humane in Bellevue.

Bellevue Family 4th

four-on-the-fourth

Wednesday, July 4, 2-10:30 p.m. Downtown Park, 10201 NE Fourth St.

Family activities and evening fireworks set to music performed by the Bellevue Youth Symphony Orchestra. 425-453-1223 or http:// bellevuedowntown.com

Live at Lunch Summer Concert Series

July 10-Sept. 13 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays, noon-1:30 p.m. Free live music, sponsored by Virginia Mason Bellevue Medical Center, at various locations downtown.

425-453-1223 or http:// bellevuedowntown.com/events/ live-at-lunch

Downtown Movies in the Park

July 10-Aug. 28, Tuesday nights at dusk

Downtown Park, 10201 NE Fourth St.

Free movies on a 40-foot-screen, free popcorn too!

July 10, "Despicable Me 3" July 17, "Boss Baby"

July 24, "The Lego Ninjago

Movie" July 31, "Goodbye, Christopher Robin"

Aug. 7, "Paddington 2" Aug. 14, "The Greatest Showman"

Aug. 21, "Ferdinand" Aug. 28, "Ghostbusters" Movie will be canceled in the event of rain.

More information: 425-452-4240 or outdoormovies@bellevuewa.

Opening Celebration of 108th Ave NE Bikeway

July 31, 11:30-1:30 p.m. Bellevue Corporate Plaza 600 108th Ave. NE



Bellevue Youth Symphony

Arts and Crafts Fairs

July 27-29 (Hours vary) Three art fairs all weekend throughout downtown.

Bellevue Arts Museum ArtsFair: 425-519-0770 or http:// bellevuearts.org

6th Street Fair: 425- 453-1223 or http://bellevuedowntown.org

Bellevue Festival of the **Arts:** 206-363-2048 or http:// bellevuefest.org

Theater on the Green

Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m.

Aug. 1, "The Day Zero Left Dodge" Aug. 8, "The Emperor and the Nightingale" Aug. 17, "Twelfth Night" Bring a picnic and enjoy a night out with a complimentary performance presented by Last Leaf Productions. Free craft activities for kids start at 6 p.m. 425-452-4106 or NWAC@ bellevuewa.gov

National Night Out Against

Aug. 7, noon-5 p.m. Crossroads Farmers Market Crossroads Bellevue 15600 NE Eighth St. A free community event with games and giveaways for kids. Meet your local police officers and neighbors and learn how to organize your neighborhood to prevent crime. 425-452-2891

Crossroads Movies in the Park Aug. 2-Aug. 23; Thursday nights

at dusk 16000 NE 10th St. Family activities at 7:30 p.m.; movies start at dusk (around 9

p.m.) Free movies on a 40-foot screen, free popcorn too!

Aug. 2, "Coco" (PG) Aug. 9, "Wonder" (PG)

Aug. 16, "Cars 3" (G)

Aug. 23, "Beauty and the Beast" (PG)

Movie will be canceled in the event of rain. 425-452-4240 or outdoormovies@

bellevuewa.gov

"The Jungle Book"

Aug. 3, 10 and 17 at 7 p.m. Aug. 4, 11 and 18 at 2 and 7 p.m. Aug. 5, 12 and 19 at 2 p.m. Bellevue Youth Theatre-Crossroads 16051 NE 10th St. Rudyard Kipling's famous tale of Mowgli and the animals who

raise him in India. Suitable for all ages. \$12/person. 425-452-7155 or byt@bellevuewa. gov

Eastside Fuschia Society Plant Show and Sale

Aug. 18, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. Featuring plants from local gardeners. 425-452-2750 or http:// bellevuebotanical.org

Garden Event: Arts in the Garden

Aug. 25-26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St.

Enjoy art in a natural setting, meet the artists and get inspired to bring art into your own home and garden. Discover about 40 artists and a wide variety of sculpture and garden art available for purchase while enjoying music, food and beverages.

Cost: Free admission. Prices vary for artwork.

Beach Park Lifeguards

Clvde. Enatai and Newcastle: June 23-Sept. 3, noon- 7 p.m. Chism and *Chesterfied: June 30-Aug. 19, noon-7 p.m. (* Chesterfield will not open on days of inclement weather.) 425-452-4444

Ranger Hikes, Discussions and Movies

Times and locations vary. Explore local wildlife and natural history with ranger-led tours, discussions and nature movies. Lewis Creek Park, 425-452-4195 Mercer Slough Nature Park, 425-452-2565

Lake Hills Greenbelt, 425-452-7225

Day Camps & Recreation Programs

Register now for summer and fall recreation programs and day

425-452-6885 or register https:// bellevuewa.gov

Lake Hills Greenbelt Fresh Produce Stands

Cha Family Farm Fresh Produce Stand

15550 156th Ave SE Hours vary. 425-233-1198

Larsen Lake Blueberry Farm 700 148th Ave. SE Hours vary. 425-499-5322

Picnic Shelter Reservations

Hosting a special occasion or casual summer gathering at a Bellevue park? Picnic shelters are available for reservation. 425-452-6914



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- √ Submit a service request and attach a photo.
- √ City staff receives the request and addresses the issue.

Report issues such as: Traffic concerns • Pothole repair • Parking enforcement • Graffiti

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City Council Office: 425-452-7810

City Council Meetings

1st and 3rd Mondays each month: study session 6-8 p.m., regular session 8-10 p.m.

2nd and 4th Mondays each month: extended study session 6-10 p.m.

Board & Commission Meetings

Call 425-452-6466 for meeting locations/agendas

Arts: 1st Tuesday, 4 p.m.

Civil Service: 2nd Tuesday, 4 p.m., Jan., Mar., July, Oct.

Environmental Services: 1st Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Human Services: 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Library Board: 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m.

Network On Aging: 1st Thursday, 8:30 a.m.

Parks & Community Services Board: 2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Planning: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Transportation: 2nd Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Link Board: 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

City Offices

City Clerk's Office and Public Records: 425-452-6464

City Manager: 425-452-7228

Community Development: 425-452-7892

Conflict Resolution Center: 425-452-4091

Crossroads Mini City Hall: 425-452-2800 Development Services: 425-452-6800

New permit applications: 425-452-4898

Inspection requests, application and status, pay fees: 425-452-6875

Simple permits, inspection requests: MyBuildingPermit.com

Application and inspection status: MyBuildingPermit.com

Code Compliance: 425-452-4570 Diversity Program: 425-452-7886

East Bellevue Community Council: 1st Tuesday each month, 6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.: 425-452-6466

Fire Emergency Only: 911

Fire Non-Emergency

Business and Information: 425-452-6892

Inspection: 425-452-4254 Fire prevention: 425-452-6872

Human Resources: 425-452-6838

Information Technology: 425-452-4626

Neighborhood Outreach: 425-452-6836

Parks & Community Services

Aging Services: 425-452-4200

Recreation Program Registration/Parks Info: 425-452-6885

Youth Sports: 425-452-6885

Ballfield Rental: 425-452-6914

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Park Maintenance: 425-452-6855

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Community Centers:

Crossroads Community Center: 425-452-4874

Highland Community Center: 425-452-7686

North Bellevue Community Center: 425-452-7681

South Bellevue Community Center: 425-452-4240

Marina Hotline: 425-452-4883

Police Emergency Only: 911

Police Non-Emergency

Crossroads Station: 425-452-2891

Factoria Station: 425-452-2880

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Crime Prevention: Commercial 425-452-2979; Residential 425-452-6915

Traffic Enforcement: 425-452-6940

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Administration/Information: 425-452-6856

Administration/Information: 425-452-6932

Billing/Customer Service: 425-452-6973

Water, Sewer, Street, &

Surface Water Maintenance & Emergency: 425-452-7840

Other Numbers (Not city government)

Regional Animal Services of King County: 206-296-PETS

Republic Services: 425-452-4762 (recycling, yard debris, garbage)

Metro Transit/Sound Transit: 206-553-3000

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Walk your neighborhood with city leadership

By Mark Heilman, Community Development Community Engagement Lead

Responding to an online survey prior to the Neighborhood Leadership Gathering in February, residents from all over Bellevue requested that the city's leaders come out and enjoy what is unique about their neighborhood.

"Spend time in the neighborhoods," wrote Lisa Leitner. "Early morning, during commute times and later in the day. Walk them, bring your team and include a member of the community."

We heard you and we love your idea! Building on last year's Summer Chats with the city manager, we've taken the conversation out to the streets. The Leadership Team, which includes the city manager and department directors, began walking Bellevue's neighborhoods with residents this month.

There have been Neighborhood Walks, with "chat stops" along the way, in three areas so far – downtown, Lake Hills and Crossroads. Three more are scheduled: at Newport Hills, Bellevue College and Lewis Creek Park.

Residents can either walk the whole way or meet the team at a chat stop. You can also stay updated and see pictures from the walks at https://bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood-walks. Questions? Reach out to mheilman@bellevuewa.gov.

Schedule

Saturday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Newport Hills to Newcastle Beach Park (end)

Chat Stop: Newcastle Beach Park, about 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 18, noon-1:30 p.m.

Bellevue College Chat and Walk

Wednesday, July 25, noon-2 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Loop

Chat Stop: Lewis Creek Park, about noon to 1 p.m.

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