

BEL RED

corridor project

Summary of Comment Forms/E-Mails Received to Date November 9 Public Workshop

What do you like about the Bel-Red Corridor now, and what do you feel should be preserved there?

General:

- Central, convenient location (2)
- “Small town” feel

Land Use

- Mix of small businesses and businesses that the community needs (7)
- Good opportunities for businesses that would otherwise be “priced out” of Bellevue
- Mix of human services agencies
- Periphery of area is okay (not LI area)

Transportation

- Bel Red Road is good connector across the city
- Free parking
- Good access to/from the area

What opportunities and areas for improvement do you see in the corridor?

Land Use:

- Allow more intensive uses, in conjunction with high capacity transit (3)
- Add more parks, ball fields (3)
- Add mixed use, residential uses (2)
- Improve the “look” of the area
- Keep land affordable—don’t drive out small businesses
- Maximize green buildings
- Build a “sustainable” community, similar to Portland’s Lloyd Center
- Could be an “integrated” community with a little bit of everything
- Support bio-medical and high tech industries—focus on economic development
- Embrace change—think regionally, and of the future
- Use city zoning authority to incentivize more dense development

Transportation:

- Provide better transit (4)
- Improve east-west street access (3)



- Improve access to regional transportation system
- Develop more complete street network
- Improve bicycle system
- Be a true “multi-modal” area
- Improve street surfaces and add sidewalks to more thoroughfares

Environmental

- Restore streams, wetlands (2)
- Add wind/solar energy

What are main concerns and issues that should be addressed?

Land Use

- LI district should be changed (4)
- Do not encroach on surrounding single family neighborhoods (2)
- Preserve many existing land uses (such as car lots)
- Enhance economic development

Transportation

- High capacity transit/park and rides (5)
- Protect adjacent neighborhoods from traffic
- Better access points to SR 520
- Traffic on 148th Avenue NE
- Better transportation access overall
- Preserve railroad service (on BNSF)

Environmental

- Rehabilitate/restore wetlands/streams in conjunction with new development (3)
- Lake Bellevue (2)
- Address noise issues from vehicles
- No offensive lighting
- City doing EIS in advance of appropriate information being available
- SEPA/GMA integration procedures are inappropriate