

2016 Parks & Open Space Plan Update

**Parks & Community Services Board
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Context for Park & Recreation Planning

- Council on Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) standards
- Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO)
- Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA)

RCO Planning Polices

1. Goals, objectives
2. Inventory
3. Public involvement
4. Demand and needs analysis
5. Capital Improvement Program
6. Adoption



NEED ATTENTION

Related Plans and Initiatives

- Bellevue City Council Vision
- Parks & Community Services Strategic Plan
- Recreation Program Plan
- Bellevue Comprehensive Plan
- Bellevue Diversity Advantage
- Human Services Needs Update
- Downtown Livability Initiative
- Ped and Bicycle Implementation Initiative
- Shoreline Master Program

Focus Areas (Preliminary List)

- Importance of parks & natural areas
- Park system access and equity
- Urban park systems
- Environmental stewardship: tree canopy
- Historic resources / cultural arts
- Public access to shorelines
- Maintenance & renovation

Public Participation

- Surveys
 - Statistically Valid Resident Survey
 - Web-based Survey
- Community events
- Presentations to boards, commissions and advisory groups
- Presentations to stakeholder groups
- Parks & Community Services Board public hearing

Timing

- Public participation, analysis and policy development over the next six months
- Public Hearing September 2015
- Draft Complete October 2015
- Board Approval November 2015
- Council Adoption Jan / Feb 2016
- Submit to State March 2016