You’re invited to a **Mobility & Infrastructure Initiative**

Open House on Tues., Nov. 9th for **Bel-Red** and **Wilburton Connections**
What is the Mobility & Infrastructure (M&I) Initiative? The Mobility and Infrastructure Initiative is a group of high priority projects adopted by City Council to meet the growing needs in downtown, west Wilburton, and the Bel-Red area. These projects will respond to increased travel spurred by downtown development and planned growth in the Bel-Red and Wilburton areas. Some of the projects provide early investments in the Bel-Red area where substantial new growth is planned in conjunction with the future East Link light rail line.
You’re invited to learn about the M&I Projects . . .

We have several projects that fall under the M & I Initiative umbrella. You can learn about them at the open house on **Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2010, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at Bellevue City Hall.** The main focus for this open house will be on the **120th Avenue NE, Stage 2 and the 120th Avenue NE, Stage 3** projects. Through previous public involvement efforts many residents said that they preferred that work be completed north of NE 8th Street prior to, or in conjunction with, the extension of NE 4th Street, from 116th Avenue NE to 120th Avenue NE. We will be presenting the preliminary design of both stages of work and would like to hear your comments. It will also be an opportunity to ask project managers about all of the current M & I projects in both the Bel-Red and Wilburton areas.

Projects in the Bel-Red Area:

![Map of Bellevue City Hall, Concourse 450 110th Avenue NE]
120th Avenue NE: NE 8th Street to NE 12th Street, Stage 2

This project includes the realignment, reconstruction, and widening of 120th Avenue NE, from NE 8th Street to NE 12th Street to accommodate a five-lane roadway, eight-foot sidewalks, five-foot planter, and five-foot bike lanes on both sides of the street. For more information: Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 or scosta@bellevuewa.gov

120th Avenue NE: NE 12th Street to Northup Way, Stage 3

This project includes widening the existing two-lane roadway to accommodate a five-lane roadway, eight-foot sidewalk, five-foot planter, and five-foot bike lanes on both sides of the street. For more information: Paul Krawczyk, 425-452-7905 or pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.gov

NE 15th Street: 116th Avenue NE to 124th Avenue NE

This project is the centerpiece of the transportation strategy for Bel-Red. It provides access to new development; it accommodates new trips moving through the area; it provides a light rail corridor, and it establishes a major east-west pedestrian and bicycle connection between the Downtown and Overlake areas. Because there are many questions to be answered about this corridor, we do not yet have a detailed roadway configuration. The City Council is expected to discuss the project in depth in the coming weeks. For more information: Rick Logwood, 425-452-6858 or rlogwood@bellevuewa.gov

Projects in the Wilburton Area:

120th Avenue NE: NE 300 Block to NE 700 Block, Stage 1

This project will include the widening of the existing roadway to five lanes, two lanes in each direction with center-turn lane pockets, bike lanes, sidewalks on both sides of the roadway, landscaping, street lighting, and utility improvements from the 300 block to the 700 block. This project will also include a new traffic signal at the NE 6th Street and 120th Avenue NE intersection.

We are continuing engineering design and are in right-of-way negotiations. For more information: Steve Costa at 425-452-2845 or scosta@bellevuewa.gov
NE 4th Street Extension: 116th Avenue NE to 120th Avenue NE

This project will extend NE 4th Street from 116th Avenue NE to 120th Avenue NE, with five travel lanes sidewalks, planter strips, bike lanes on both sides of the roadway, landscaping and irrigation, street lights, structural walls, traffic signals, and other utility improvements. It will also include modifications to existing traffic signal equipment at the NE 4th Street/116th Avenue NE intersection and a new signal at the NE 4th Street/120th Avenue NE intersection.

The project team is working closely with adjacent businesses, property owners, and private developers in the immediate vicinity. Construction of the improvements will now be accomplished in two stages. Stage I will construct the roadway between 116th to the west edge of the BNSF right of way, and Stage II will complete the connection to 120th Avenue NE and construct the 120th Avenue NE intersection improvements. For more information: Marina Arakelyan at 425-452-4632 or marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov

NE 5th Street Neighborhood Traffic Plan

A public involvement process is underway with a traffic committee comprised of staff, resident volunteers, and adjacent businesses to review the traffic analysis of NE 5th Street, in regards to future projects, and to identify possible options to address community concerns.

The Traffic Committee will be sending out a questionnaire to the Wilburton neighborhood to gauge priorities and receive feedback on NE 5th Street’s possible alternatives. Proposed alternatives and results from the questionnaire will be presented at a Wilburton Connections open house for public comment later this year. For more information: Vangie Garcia at 452-6103 or vgarcia@bellevuewa.gov

NE 6th Street Extension: I-405 to 120th Avenue NE

This project includes an analysis for the extension of the NE 6th Street HOV/Transit only connection from the median of I-405, to a new “T” intersection at 120th Avenue NE. The design will include street lighting, landscaping, irrigation, storm drainage, detention, and other utility improvements. Additionally, a 14-foot wide non-motorized pathway will be integrated with the extension to connect to the future regional trail within the BNSF corridor.

We are preparing the base mapping, working with agency stakeholders, and beginning conceptual design. For more information: Nancy LaCombe at 425-452-4382 or nlacombe@bellevuewa.gov
What about project funding? The financing plan for the M&I projects calls for a variety of funding sources including a property tax increase, state and federal grants, transportation impact fees, and LIDs.

For the 120th Avenue NE, Stage 2 and Stage 3 projects, we have applied for a Federal Transportation Infrastructure Grant (TIGER II, $30 million grant) to pay for the construction of these projects.

LID Funding is Moving Forward An LID is a financing mechanism that provides a way for properties that directly benefit from a transportation project to pay a share of the project costs. LIDs are used to pay for the design and construction of public works improvements, such as the expansion of street capacity, new sidewalks, water lines, sewer extensions or street lights.

The city is planning to form an LID to help pay for the NE 4th Extension and 120th Avenue NE, Stage 1 projects. The LID process includes the formation of a narrowly defined district that consists of only those properties that gain a special benefit from the proposed project. The city then issues bonds to fund the design and construction of the project. Once the project is completed, the property owners in the LID district are assessed a proportionate share of the project cost, based on the special benefit received.

Do you have questions or comments about LID funding? If you have any LID comments or questions, please contact Eric Miller at 425-452-6146 or emiller@bellevuewa.gov, or Jen Benn at 425-452-4270 or jbenn@bellevuewa.gov. For more information about LIDs in general, connect to www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Transportation/lid_faqs.pdf
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Submit written comments to:  Tresa Berg, Public Involvement Manager, City of Bellevue Transportation Department, 450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA  98004 or email: tberg@bellevuewa.gov

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