

LIVING FOR TODAY  
READY FOR TOMORROW

Bellevue, Washington  
Annual Report  
2017

Dear Residents,

Bellevue welcomes the world. It is truly a multicultural city. Our strength is in our diversity and vibrancy. As we embrace the future, we respect and build on the past. With each new day, there are more reasons why Bellevue is “the place you want to be.”

The \$1.5 billion biennial city budget is balanced, maintains current service levels and establishes a solid foundation. Through the Budget One process, we put the emphasis on community outcomes, not departments, when determining how funding is allocated to city programs and services. We are moving forward on our 2016-2017 City Council Vision Priorities and collaborating with our neighboring cities to address regional issues such as traffic congestion, homelessness and affordable housing.

We are a city for all our residents. In 2016, we improved access for people with hearing impairments by installing hearing loop technology in our most popular City Hall meeting rooms. We helped preserve affordable housing at Highland Village. We invested in special programming for “welcoming the world,” including monthly Cultural Conversations and a variety of other events that engage our diverse community.

Thank you for approving two levies that will make our community safer. The Fire Facilities levy will enhance our fire department’s capabilities to serve Bellevue by upgrading fire facilities and building a 10th fire station that will serve downtown and surrounding areas. The transportation-focused Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion levy will improve neighborhood safety, reduce neighborhood congestion and use technology to further address safety and traffic management.

As we look back at 2016, Bellevue is embracing its lively, urban downtown core while managing growth citywide. Well-known companies such as REI and Salesforce are choosing Bellevue for relocating their headquarters or expanding their operations. At the same time, we are preserving the uniqueness of the neighborhoods and our “City in a Park” feel that makes Bellevue’s quality of life the envy of other communities. Join us in celebrating our great city as we’re living for today and ready for tomorrow’s opportunities.

Sincerely,

**John Stokes**

Mayor



**Brad Miyake**

City Manager



**John Chelminiak**, Deputy Mayor



**Conrad Lee**, Councilmember



**Jennifer Robertson**, Councilmember



**Lynne Robinson**, Councilmember



**Ernie Simas**, Councilmember



**Kevin Wallace**, Councilmember

## Welcoming the World



Bellevue reached a significant diversity milestone in 2015. That's when, according to the latest estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau, Bellevue's population became evenly split between non-Hispanic whites and people of color. Nowadays, Bellevue is considered one of the most diverse cities in Washington state.

The trend is consistent with past demographic indicators. Since 2000, Bellevue's foreign-born population has accounted for about 93 percent of the city's population growth. Other drivers of the growth include a thriving employment market and Bellevue's reputation for good schools, parks and safe neighborhoods.

In 2014, the City Council adopted the Diversity Advantage plan. As part of the more than 60 recommended actions to help residents make the most of living in a multicultural city, the City of Bellevue established the Bellevue Diversity Advisory Network in 2016. The BDAN is made up of a diverse group of 21 community members who provide recommendations on how to improve the city's ability to communicate, collaborate and better serve our diverse population.

The City of Bellevue is making progress on diversifying its workforce. The Human Resources Department developed a new recruitment guide for hiring managers with a focus on hiring for equity and training on implicit bias awareness. In 2016, the city championed supportive employment and hired its first employee under a partnership with Puget Sound Personnel which assists people living with disabilities lead self-directed lives.



## Levy Projects Get Thumbs Up

Bellevue voters approved two local ballot measures in November: a 20-year levy to improve fire facilities and a separate 20-year transportation levy to address neighborhood safety, connectivity and congestion. The Fire Facilities property tax levy will raise \$120 million over 20 years, or \$6 million per year, while the transportation levy will raise \$140 million over 20 years, or \$7 million per year.

Fire Facilities levy revenue will be used for construction of a new fire station to serve downtown and the surrounding area, seismic retrofits at all nine existing stations, warehouse space to store and repair special equipment, and the remodeling or expansion of existing stations.

Revenue from the Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion levy will be used for projects to reduce neighborhood congestion, build neighborhood safety projects, add new bike lanes, sidewalks and pathways, implement technology for safety and traffic management, and enhance maintenance activities. Crews began getting to work on the first of the projects in early 2017.



## Community Profile

- Incorporated in **March 1953**
- Council/Manager form of government with approximately **1,300 employees**
- **High tech and retail center** of King County's Eastside
- Known as a "**City in a Park**," with vast network of trails and nearly 100 parks
- **Fifth largest city** in Washington state
- Estimated population of **139,400**
- Estimated daytime workforce of **150,579**
- **Diverse community** with non-white population of 50 percent and foreign-born population of 39 percent
- **33.5 square miles** between Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish
- Average temperature of **53.7 degrees**
- Average annual rainfall of **36.15 inches**
- **Elevations** range from near sea level to more than 1,400 feet
- **(425)** area code
- Home to **45 corporate headquarters** including T-Mobile, Paccar, Expedia, Concur and Eddie Bauer
- **Home** to Bellevue College and City University of Seattle

## Developing our City Together

**Development Services** offers one-stop permit shopping for land and building development in Bellevue and the surrounding services areas.

Planners, engineers, inspectors, code compliance officers and support staff from the Development Services, Fire, Transportation and Utilities departments help homeowners, business owners and construction industry professionals navigate the permitting process. Our work involves reviewing plans, inspecting projects and investigating code violations. This service ensures that projects are safe and aligned with federal, state and city codes.





### Engage with the Arts

There are more ways for the community to connect with the arts. A new Art Walk program and Portable Artworks program recently launched. Bellevue also held a very successful 13th biennial sculpture exhibition, receiving national attention as among the “top ten under-rated cities for art lovers (US News and World Report).

### 2016 By The Numbers

- Permits issued: **15,185**
- Estimated construction valuation: **\$798 million**
- Inspections completed: **81,942**
- Permit applications processed online: **75 percent**
- New multifamily dwelling units issued: **1,412**
- New multifamily square footage issued: **1,283,677**
- New office & tenant improvement square footage issued: **492,612**

### Stay Informed

There are numerous ways to find out what’s happening in Bellevue. For the most up-to-date information, visit the city website, [BellevueWA.gov](http://BellevueWA.gov). The city also uses social media such as Twitter, YouTube, Facebook and Nextdoor to share the latest city news. In addition, the It’s Your City newsletter is published three times a year – in February, June and October – for people who live and work in Bellevue. The city’s government channel, Bellevue Television on cable channel 21, features a variety of programming including live and recorded broadcasts of City Council meetings, arts events and the local magazine show, Lake to Lake. Live and recorded streaming of council meetings is available online.



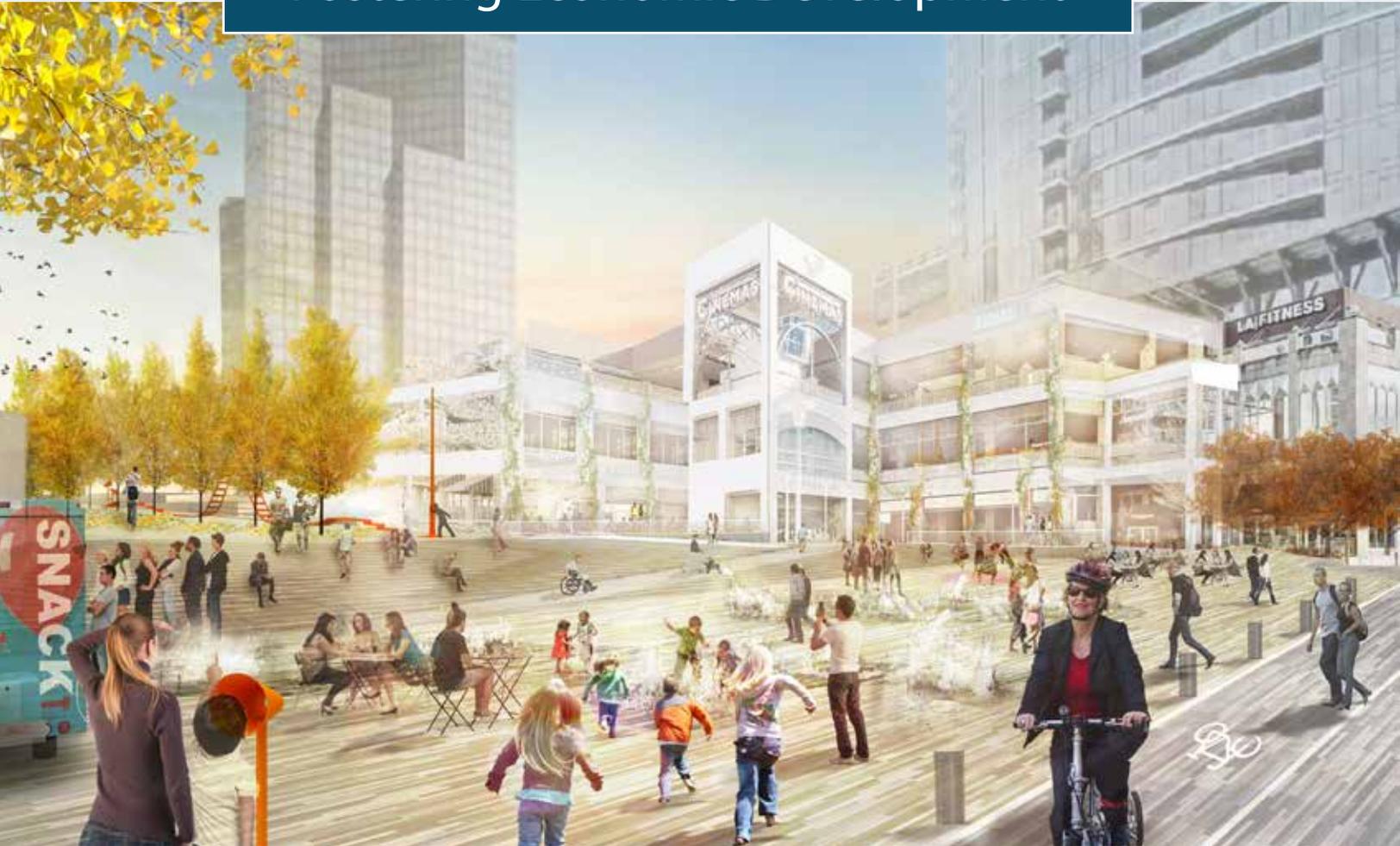
 **MyBuildingPermit.com**  
a service of eCityGov net

### Getting It Done through MyBuildingPermit.com

Customers are taking advantage of Development Services’ online permitting services. In 2016, 75 percent of permit applications and about 71

percent of inspection requests came through MyBuildingPermit.com, our regional permitting portal.

## Fostering Economic Development



Place-making is coming to life in Bellevue. Our parks offer a welcome respite from the hustle and bustle. Soon, more amenities will grace Bellevue, continuing to enhance our quality of life.

### Developing the Vision for the Grand Connection

The Planning and Community Development Department is driving several city initiatives. The Wilburton-Grand Connection initiative will establish a landmark that creates new opportunities for connectivity and community identity.

The "Grand Connection" pedestrian and bike path will stretch from the Meydenbauer Bay Park to the Eastside Rail Corridor in Wilburton. Through an

iconic crossing of Interstate 405, the connecting boulevard will offer residents and visitors a scenic route from West Bellevue and Lake Washington through downtown, past City Hall and the Bellevue Transit Center to connect with the east part of Bellevue. In 2017, planners will begin studying the Wilburton commercial area's potential for land use and connectivity to the city's high-growth centers.

### Choose Bellevue

Bellevue continues to welcome companies and educational institutions to our dynamic city. The Global Innovation Exchange (GIX), which is a unique partnership between the University of Washington, China's Tsinghua University and Microsoft, is coming to BelRed in 2017. GIX will be right by REI's new headquarters. The outdoors co-op is expected to relocate to the Spring District in 2020. In September 2016, REI opened a new store that occupies 40,000 square feet at Bellevue Central Shopping Center on 116th Avenue Northeast and Northeast Fourth Street.

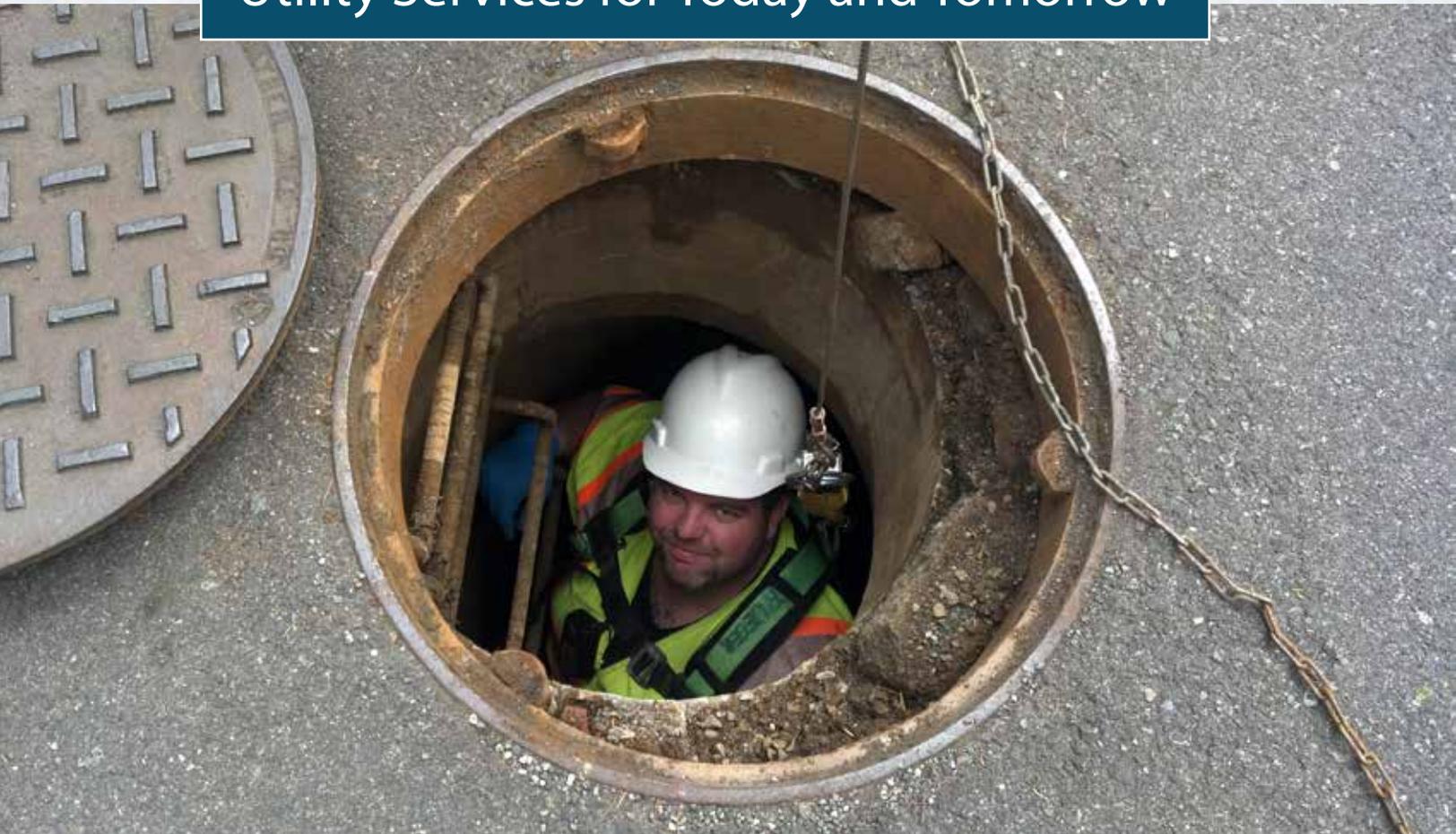
Business software giant Salesforce opened its new downtown Bellevue office in January 2017. The office, located within the Nine Two Nine Office Tower, will house one of the company's largest engineering and innovation hubs.

Meantime, Bellevue College celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2016. It's been adding four-year degrees and will soon build student housing. Seattle University has established a graduate program facility in Bellevue and looks to expand its presence here.

An economic development partnership among the cities of Bellevue, Redmond and Kirkland called The Innovation Triangle is creating more business opportunities. The Innovation Triangle was honored with the Economic Development Council of Seattle & King County's 2017 public sector Economic Development Champion Award. The regional partnership promotes our area as a center for innovation and technology.



## Utility Services for Today and Tomorrow



Bellevue Utilities delivers high-quality drinking water, sewer and stormwater drainage services that sustain and improve our quality of life. The department manages runoff to local streams, Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish in 26 drainage basins. Bellevue Utilities' reliable wastewater disposal system ensures public health and safety, and protects the environment. Through waste hauler Republic Services, the department provides recycling, organics and garbage collection for single-family, multifamily and commercial customers in Bellevue.

### **Serving Everyone in Our Community**

The city's Utility Rate Relief Program provides assistance to low-income seniors and low-income residents with disabilities. The program offers up to 75 percent off utility costs. To qualify, residents must be over 62 years old or have a permanent disability. In 2016, 1,135 residents participated in our Utility Rate Relief Program.





## 2016 Utilities Capital Projects Completed

- East Central Business District Sewer Project (supporting downtown development and economic growth)
- Bellefield Pump Station (supporting the Wilburton and ECBD sewer improvements)
- Horizon View #3 Pump Station Rehabilitation (serving the Summit neighborhood)
- Wilburton Sewer Project (supporting the re-development of the Wilburton area)
- Nearly 4 miles of new water main installed (ensuring reliable water supply for businesses and residents)
- BelRed/Hyde Square Sanitary Sewer Extension (joint project between Bellevue Utilities and Carmel/Hyde Square developer to expand sanitary sewer service to a new multifamily project in the BelRed Corridor)

## Environmental Stewardship

Our city is getting greener. The City of Bellevue installed a grant-funded 20-Kilowatt solar array at Crossroads Community Center that powers approximately 11 percent of the total building load. A new heat recovery chiller was installed at City Hall by the Civic Services Department that will reduce natural gas use by nearly 90 percent. Also, a partially grant-funded, energy-saving project that replaced 4,239 Puget Sound Energy-owned streetlights will trim \$189,454 from the city utility bills. In another partnership with PSE, the city launched Urban Smart Bellevue, helping downtown businesses reduce their collective annual energy use. To date, 90 businesses in 68 buildings are participating.



## Moving in The Right Direction



The Transportation Department marked several milestones in its ongoing mission to provide a safe and efficient transportation system that supports livable neighborhoods and a vital economy in partnership with the community.

### **East Link Light Rail Expanding to the Eastside**

Sound Transit broke ground in 2016 on its long-awaited East Link light rail line. The transit agency is working closely with the City of Bellevue which is responsible for permitting the work, implementing plans to mitigate construction impacts to residents and businesses, and ensuring compliance with the identified mitigation.

## Advancing Mobility Citywide

In late 2016, the city laid the groundwork for securing a \$100 million, low-interest federal loan to assist with the creation of the BelRed Street Network – a total of 12 multimodal roadways planned to support the new BelRed neighborhood. The Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan will support the construction of key mobility projects. Final approval of the TIFIA loan is expected in 2017.

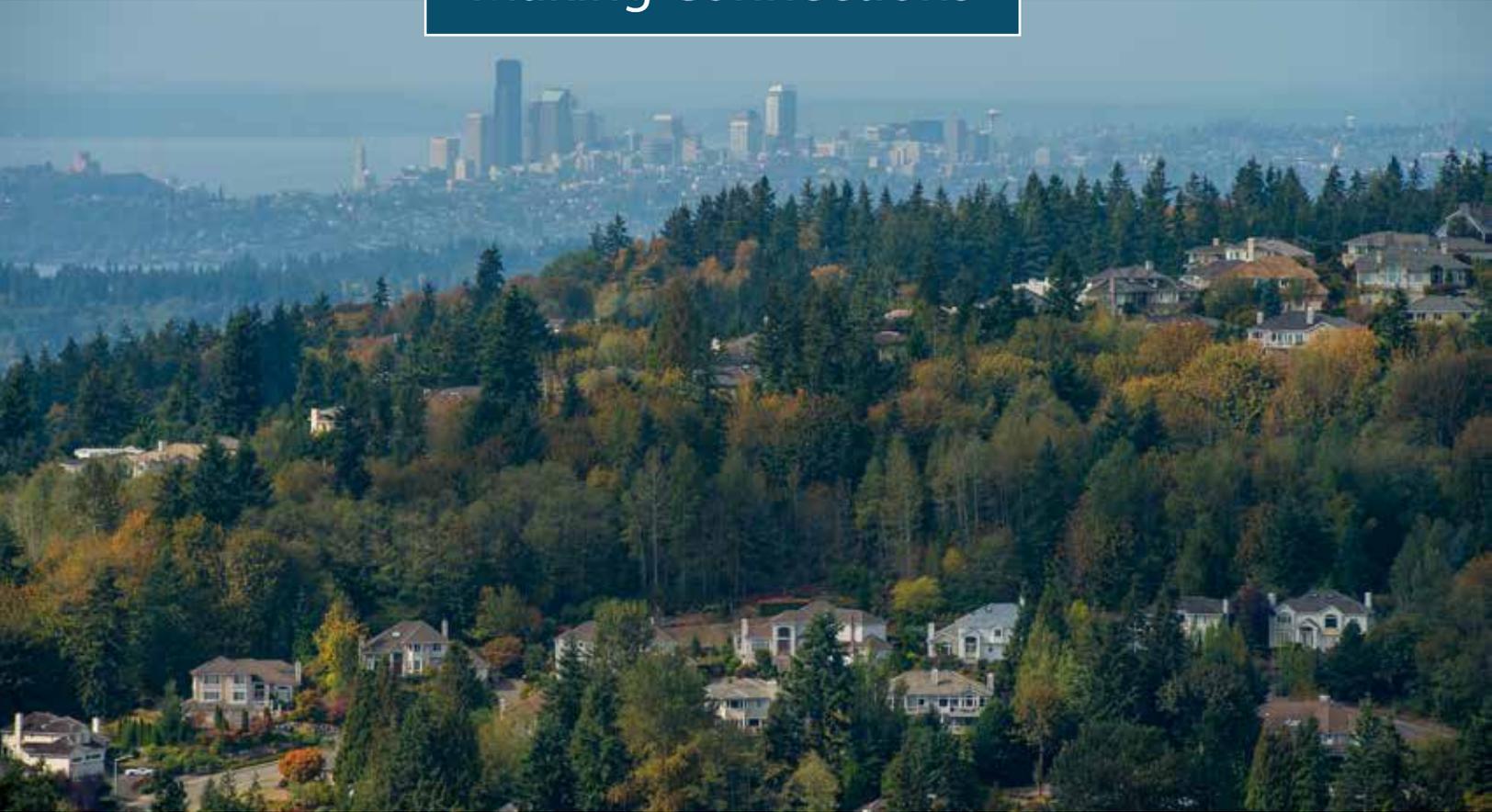
### Transportation Projects

Among the other transportation projects that moved forward in 2016:

- **Northup Way Connection to SR 520 Trail:** Work began on completing the missing link in the SR 520 regional trail by improving Northup Way, from Northeast 33rd Street to Northeast 24th Street, with new sidewalks, bike lanes and other enhancements.
- **Northeast Spring Boulevard:** Construction also started on the first section of Northeast Spring Boulevard, a new street that will run east-west through the BelRed area.
- **120th Avenue Northeast:** Work continued on two projects between Northeast 8th Street and Northeast 16th Street. Both projects will increase capacity on the roadway and add sidewalks and bicycle lanes.
- **Wilburton Trestle:** Bellevue budgeted \$2 million to turn the century-old Wilburton Trestle, part of the Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC), into a pedestrian-bicycle path. The contribution is part of a \$10 million commitment that includes pledges from King County and the State of Washington. The ERC is a 16-mile regional trail that will stretch from Renton to Woodinville, through Bellevue, with a spur to Redmond.
- **Other accomplishments:** Adopted the city's Vision Zero policy in the Comprehensive Plan; adopted a Complete Streets ordinance; developed a Bicycle Rapid Implementation Program; and launched a partnership with Microsoft and the UW to develop a predictive crash analysis system to improve safety for all road users.



## Making Connections



### Neighbor to Neighbor

The city embarked on neighborhood-building activities through the first citywide neighborhoods conference, “Better Together,” with 20 workshops.

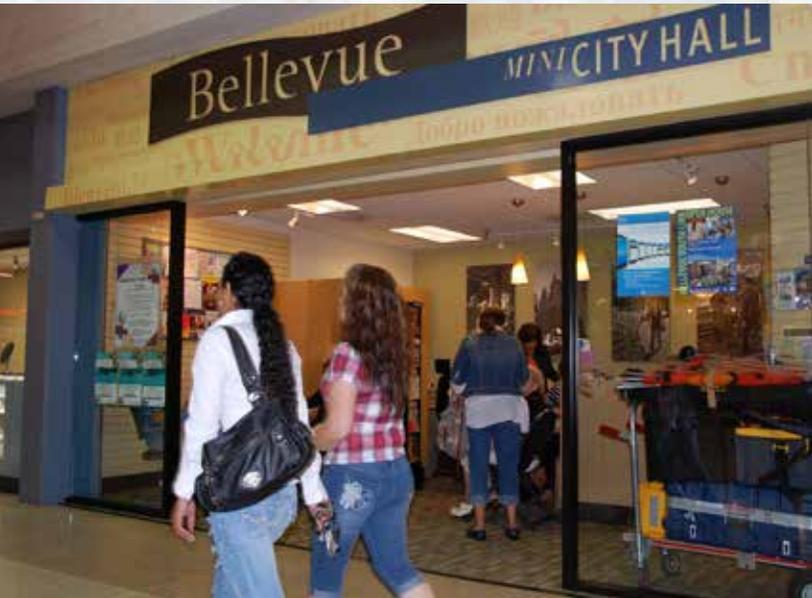
In 2016, the fourth group of Bellevue residents graduated from the city’s Bellevue Essentials program. The nine-week course highlights the structures and inner workings of city government,

covering topics such as demographics, public process, city planning, economic development, human services, utilities, finance, transportation and public safety. The graduates are better equipped to get more involved in the city and with nonprofit organizations on the Eastside.



## Mini City Hall Serves All

Located inside the Crossroads Shopping Center, Mini City Hall experienced an unprecedented level of activity, including 24,000 visitors and 52,000 service requests in 2016. The fully equipped satellite office specializes in personalized customer service and outreach to Bellevue's diverse population. Mini City Hall provides services in eight languages, Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



## Keeping Neighborhoods Vibrant

Our neighborhoods offer a wide range of appealing lifestyle choices – from lively, multicultural Crossroads and scenic Cougar Mountain to serene, lakeside living at Newport Shores and urban sophistication downtown.

To maintain the appeal of our distinct neighborhoods, the city recently launched a revitalized and much improved Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP), a \$5 million, city-funded capital improvements program. The NEP recognizes that residents are best suited to determine how to enhance their neighborhoods, and empowers them to propose and select projects that improve their communities.

The funding is distributed among the NEP Neighborhood Areas, according to the number of households in each area. The NEP Neighborhood Areas correspond to the 16 Neighborhood Areas in the city's Comprehensive Plan. However, Downtown and BelRed as well as Eastgate and Factoria were combined to maximize the funding allocation in these areas.

The program will rotate through the 14 NEP Neighborhood Areas over the course of seven years, per the city's Capital Investment Program (2014-2021). In 2016, Eastgate/Factoria, Cougar Mountain/Lakemont and West Lake Sammamish began the community process for determining what neighborhood improvement they'd like to see happen in their neighborhood.



## On Target: Public Safety



### Firefighting and Medical Response

The Bellevue Fire Department assists the public in the protection of life and property by minimizing the impact of fire, medical emergencies and potential disasters or uncontrolled events. The department also provides services to the communities of Beaux Arts, Clyde Hill, Hunts Point, Medina, Newcastle and Yarrow Point.

Over the course of 2016, the Fire Department experienced a 22 percent increase in structure fires. Fire crews responded to 365 total fires including 126 structure fires. In addition, the department engaged with the public more than 158,000 times through in-person education, community events and social media.

### Preparing for Emergencies

Bellevue Fire's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) offers training and information to help residents and businesses prepare for fires and regional disasters. In 2016, OEM conducted several emergency exercises and trainings involving all city departments. These local, regional and multi-state drills included Cascadia Rising, Complex Coordinated Attack and Winter Weather scenarios. Through these trainings, city staff were prepared when the Emergency Operations Center activated for significant storms and events during the past year.



### Fire Department 2016 Activity

- Total incidents/responses: **18,365** (Fire suppression, rescues and emergency medical services combined)
- Cardiac save rate: **58 percent** (2015)
- Patient transports to area hospitals: **8,330**
- Fires confined to room of origin: **80.16 percent**
- Fire and life safety inspections: **5,629**

### Community Policing in Action

The Bellevue Police Department is committed to public safety, with an emphasis on working smarter and community relations. The department is made up of 184 police officers and 41 civilian staff.

Bellevue Police fully developed and implemented its Patrol Sector Captain program in 2016. A patrol sector captain is assigned to one of the city’s three geographical sectors: North, South and West. Sector captains are ultimately responsible for any community issues taking place in their sector.

The Police Department began implementation of the Tomorrows Program to help improve cultural competency and enhance relationships within the community. This year, the department looked at ways to increase the diversity of its officers through recruitment and improve relations with the media. Through the program, the department also formed

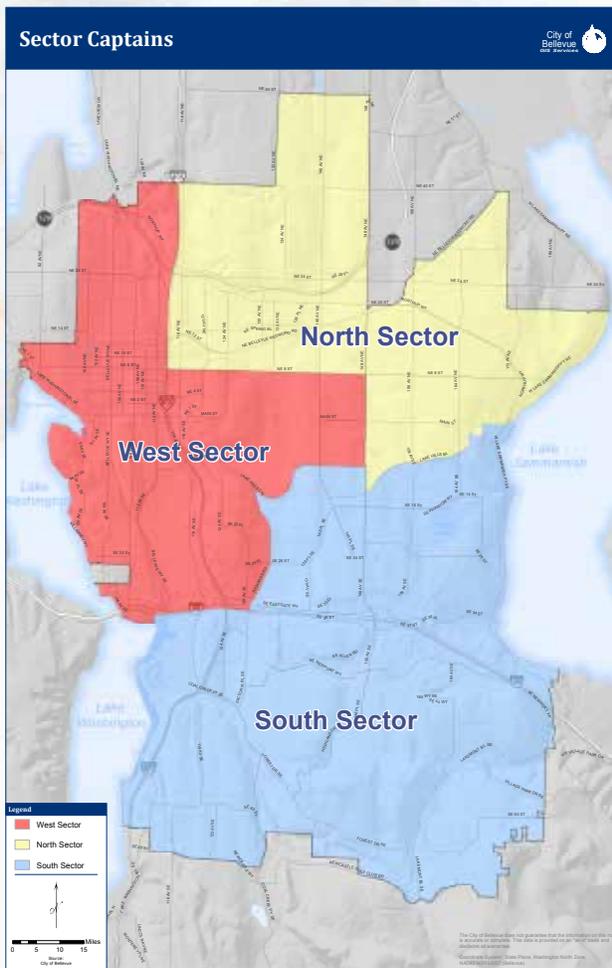
five citizens advisory councils – African American, Latino, Muslim, LGBTQ and Asian/Pacific Islander, with others currently in development.

The department received international recognition for its longstanding volunteer program. The International Association of Chiefs of Police selected Bellevue Police as one of only three agencies in the world to receive the 2016 Outstanding Achievement in Law Enforcement Volunteer Program Award.

In 2016, the Bicycle Patrol Squad was relaunched to support the Crowd Control team. Since April 1, the bike unit has made approximately 1,138 contacts, arrested 142 individuals and attended numerous community events.

A temporary “cold case” detective was utilized to evaluate unsolved homicides and long-term missing person cases. Due to this effort, two homicide cases were closed, including Bellevue’s first murder case from 1965.

### Patrol Sector Captain Program



# Moving Forward Through Technology



Economic Growth and Competitiveness



Quality Neighborhoods/Innovative, Vibrant and Caring Community



Healthy and Sustainable Environment



Responsive Government



Improved Mobility and Connectivity



Safe Community



Crime By Neighborhood



MyBellevue 311 Data



Open Budget

## Smart Strategies for Delivering Service

Smart Cities use advances in information and communications technology to enhance livability, sustainably and resilience. Establishing a Smart City strategy is part of the City Council Vision Priorities for 2016-2017.

The Bellevue Smart City Core Team is a multi-disciplinary team involving Information Technology, Utilities, Transportation, Fire, Civic Services, Planning and Community Development, and Economic Development. This team has been collaborating with Puget Sound Energy (PSE), North East King County Regional Public Safety Communication Agency (NORCOM) and the University of Washington Evans School over the past 18 months to develop a long-term framework for how to become smarter.

Already, Bellevue is involved in a new Urban Smart program with PSE; convened a regional Smart City workshop with the City of Redmond, Microsoft and Verizon; and won two federal grants from the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the Department of Energy.





## MYBELLEVUE *on the go*

### Customer Service at Your Fingertips

The MyBellevue app got a makeover in 2016. Not only did the app get a new look with a blue “B” on a white background, surrounded by a blue border, but its functionality was improved based on user patterns and feedback over the last few years. Now, it’s even easier to make service requests through MyBellevue.

Since the city launched MyBellevue in 2014, more than 6,000 people have downloaded the app. Every month, the city receives between 250 and 350 service requests through the app. Thanks to the app’s latest improvements, a user’s ability to report issues,

ask questions, attach a photo and use GPS to show the location of issues is easier and more streamlined. In addition, MyBellevue now has language translation capability, resulting in improved access for our diverse community.

Requests from reporting burnt out streetlights, potholes and graffiti to requesting building permit records can all be submitted through the MyBellevue app as well as the online customer assistance portal.

Download the free app today in the Apple Store, Google Play, Blackberry World and the Windows Store.

### Use Data for Community Benefit

Bellevue launched its first Open Data Portal in February 2016, creating another way to enhance transparency, increase engagement, fuel innovation and make information accessible to the public. Our open data portal is part of Bellevue’s “What Works Cities” engagement with Bloomberg Philanthropies. WWC is one of the largest-ever philanthropic efforts to enhance the use of data and evidence in the public sector to improve people’s lives. The data available on Bellevue’s portal includes open budget information, business licenses, demographic data, crime information and 311 reports.



## In Focus: Our Community



Bellevue's 2,800 acres of parks and open space, recreation, cultural arts and human services improve the quality of life for all residents. Dubbed the "City in a Park," Bellevue's trails, open space, parks, recreation centers, ball fields, blueberry farms, community gardens (p-patches) and playgrounds make up 10 percent of the city's lands. Seventy-three percent of residents have a park or trail access point within a 1/3 mile walk from their home.

### Fun Starts Here

In 2016, construction started on Downtown Park's "Complete the Circle" and Inspiration Playground project. Finishing the circular promenade brings what started as a dream in 1983 for a world-class downtown park full-circle. The "Complete the Circle" project was funded, in part, by the 2008 Parks and Natural Areas levy. To make play accessible to everyone, the city is partnering with the Bellevue Rotary Club on the universally accessible playground.

The design of Meydenbauer Bay Park is now complete. The new park is decades in the making and will reconnect downtown to the waterfront. Construction will begin in 2017.

The synthetic turf replacement at Robinswood Park is completed. The renovation of the two fields extends the life of Bellevue's most well-used athletic areas.

Thanks in part to a Youth Athletic Facilities grant from the state of Washington, the \$1.3 million project was completed for \$650,000.

The Burrows Cabin, Bellevue's oldest building, was relocated from downtown to Chism Beach Park in August 2016. The humble log house was built by Civil War veteran Albert Burrows in 1883. According to the Eastside Heritage Center, this is the third relocation for the cabin, which Burrows built at the foot of Southeast 15th Street near Lake Washington.



## Parks & Community Services Impact

- Participants in recreation programs: **28,000**
- Community members who volunteered 100,000 hours with an estimated value of \$3 million: **6,000+**
- Scholarships given to help income-eligible children attend city camps and activities: **\$76,281**
- Residents reached through city's funding of 43 human services agencies and 75 programs: **57,000**
- Households served through the Home Repair program: **36**

## Planning for the Future

The Parks & Open Space System Plan, a key piece of the city's Comprehensive Plan, is now updated. The plan ensures a systematic approach to planning and operating the city's parks. It also maintains the city's eligibility for grant funding.



## Eastside Solutions to Homelessness

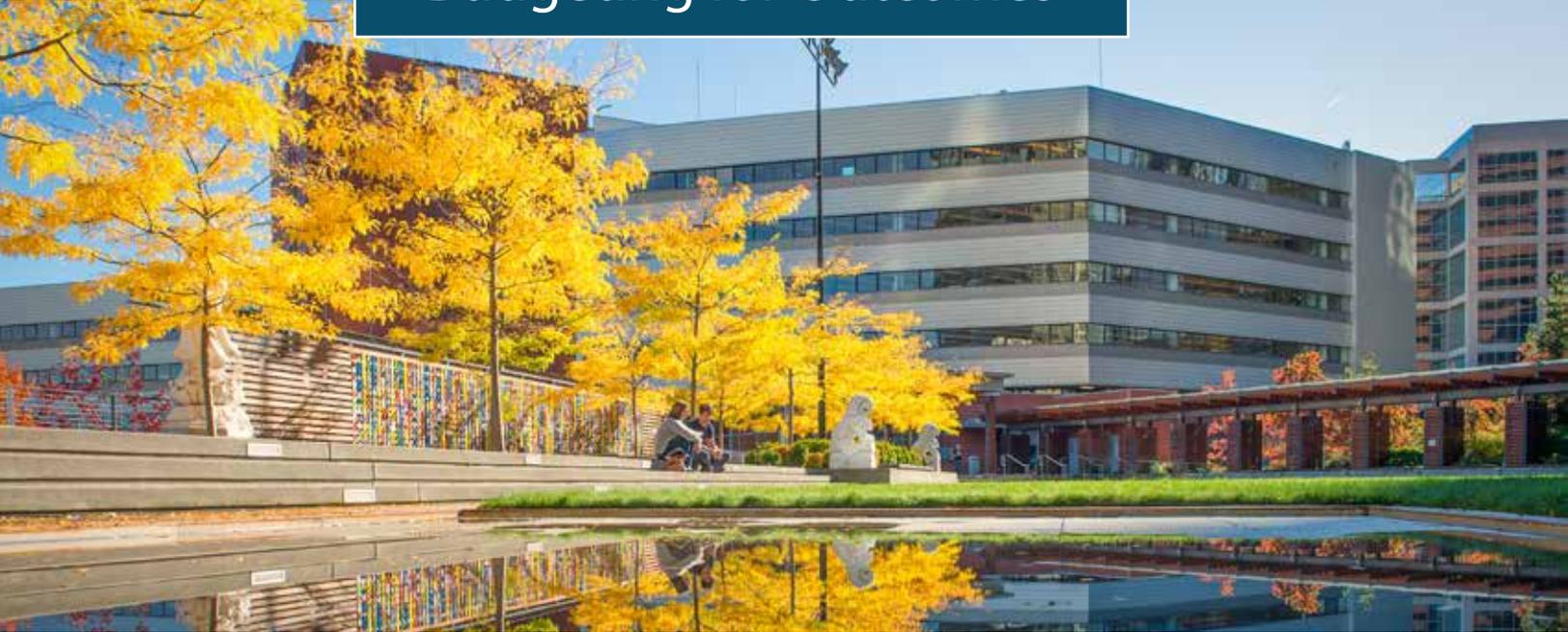
The Eastside cities are working as partners to find an Eastside solution to a regional problem. The "one night count" of homeless on the Eastside increased from 134 in 2015 to 245 in 2016. The cities of Bellevue, Redmond and Kirkland agreed on who can best serve each population – Kirkland will shelter women and families, Redmond, youth and young adults and Bellevue, single adult men.

This past winter, a temporary Men's Winter Shelter and Day Center was established at Lincoln Center near downtown Bellevue. Managed by Congregations for the Homeless, the shelter provides a safe and warm place to sleep and have meals along with a connection to services necessary to begin a path out of homelessness.

The City of Bellevue and King County are working in partnership with Congregations for the Homeless and Imagine Housing to site a permanent men's shelter and supportive housing in Bellevue. Since 2008, Bellevue has hosted a low-barrier winter shelter for men experiencing homelessness.



## Budgeting for Outcomes



Bellevue is a full service city, providing most municipal services directly, including police, fire, transportation, parks, legal, information technology, permitting, finance, facilities, human resources, city planning and utilities.

The city's budget prioritizes services that are identified by community priorities, or outcomes. Budget outcome areas include Economic Growth and Competitiveness, Healthy and Sustainable Environment, Improved Mobility and Connectivity, Quality Neighborhoods and Innovative, Vibrant and Caring Community, Responsive Government and Safe Community.

The budget is a policy document establishing a citywide operational plan and furthering the strategy for progress in meeting the city's infrastructure needs. The 2017-2018 budget, adopted by the City Council in December 2016, totals \$1.513 billion. This biennial budget includes a two-year appropriation for operations (\$1.035 billion), special/dedicated purposes (\$65 million) and capital investments (\$413 million.)

The 2017-2018 operating budget and the 2017-2023 capital investment program (CIP) plan include the resources needed to maintain current operations, build new key infrastructure, and add carefully targeted investments. The budget is based on council's vision that Bellevue remains "the city where you want to be."

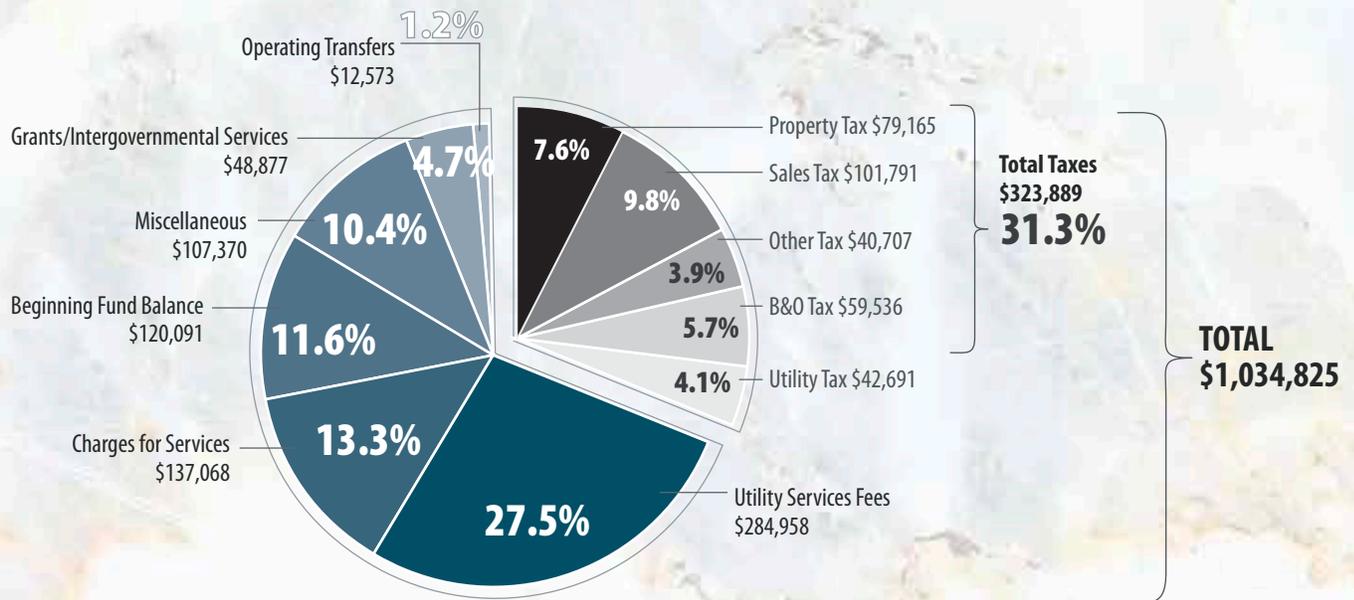
### Budget Breakdown

- 2017-18 total Budget: **\$1.513 billion** (includes the first two years of the capital plans)
- 2017-18 total Operating Budget: **\$1.035 billion**
- 2017-23 total General Capital Investment Plan: **\$485 million**
- 2017-23 total Utilities Capital Investment Plan: **\$221 million**
- City Sales Tax Rate (2017): **0.85 percent**
- City B&O Tax Rate (2017): **.01496 percent** of gross income
- City Property Tax Rate (2017): **\$1.14/\$1,000** assessed value

The city is funded through a diverse collection of resources. Many of the resources received are dedicated to a specific purpose and cannot be spent on non-related services or programs. For example, rate revenues received from water service can only be used for that purpose and cannot be used to pay for general services or other types of utility services. Similarly, funding received from Development Services permits can only be used for services related to delivering permits.

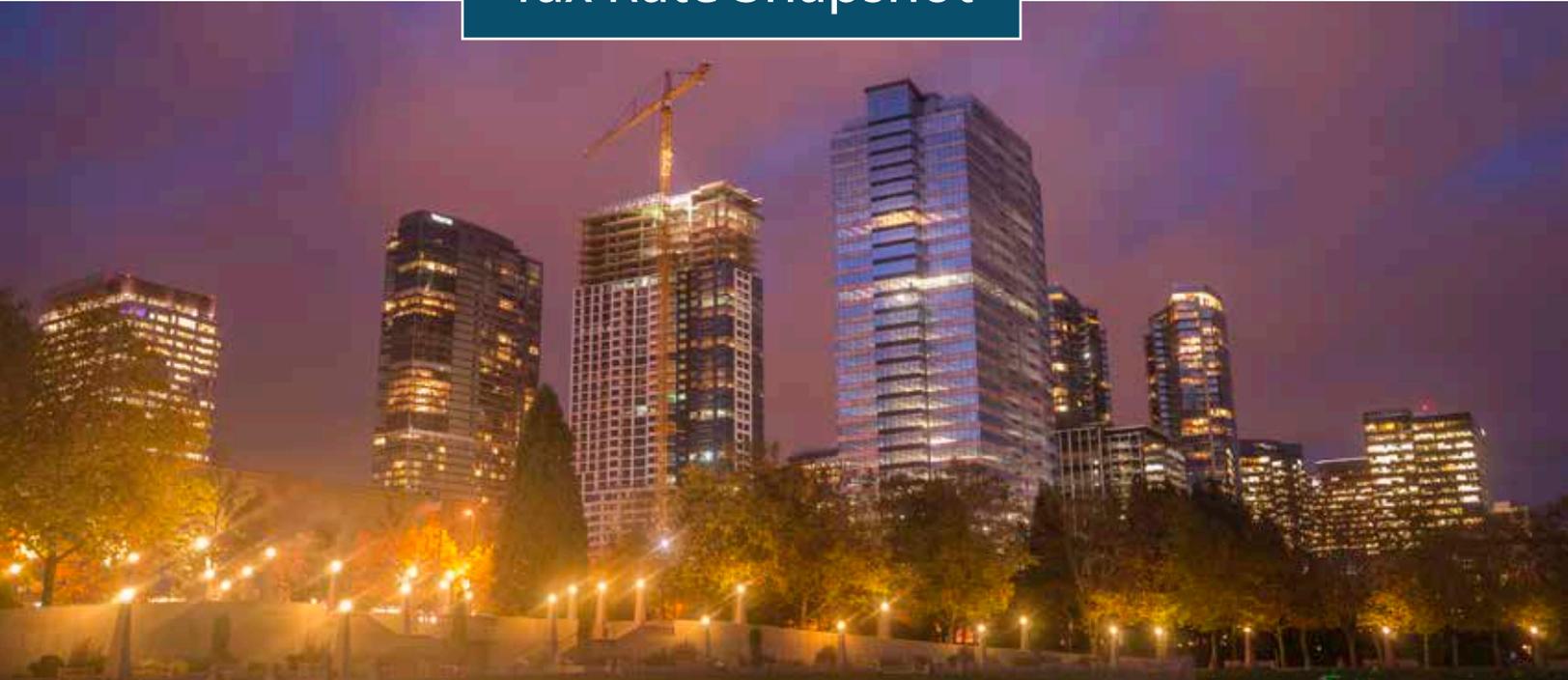
Highlights of the budget include: modest growth in total operating budget of 7.9 percent for the biennium; funding council priorities such as increasing funding for economic development, smart cities, the Eastside Rail Corridor and early implementation of the Grand Connection; and completing Phase I of Meydenbauer Bay Park and the Downtown Park Circle. The budget also grows city reserves to help prepare for known future events, ensures debt obligations are paid, and makes continued progress in meeting infrastructure priorities.

### 2017–2018 Total Operating Resources (\$000s)



Definitions and Examples of Governmental Funds		
Fund Types	Appropriation	What does it buy?
Operational Funds (General Fund, utility funds, other enterprise funds, and internal service funds)	\$1,034,825,000	Operating functions such as Police, Fire, Parks, Community Development, Transportation, Development Services/Permitting, Water, Storm and Surface Water, and Wastewater. Administrative operations such as City Council, City Manager, Technology, City Clerk, City Attorney, Finance, Service First Information, Fleet and Facilities.
Special Purpose Funds	\$65,221,000	These needs are funded by restricted money dedicated for a special purpose, such as grants, donations, debt service, firemen's pension and housing.
Capital Investment Funds (General and utilities including reserves)	\$412,811,000	Provides for major public facility improvements for items such as park development, transportation roadways, signals, sidewalks, and water and sewer pipes.

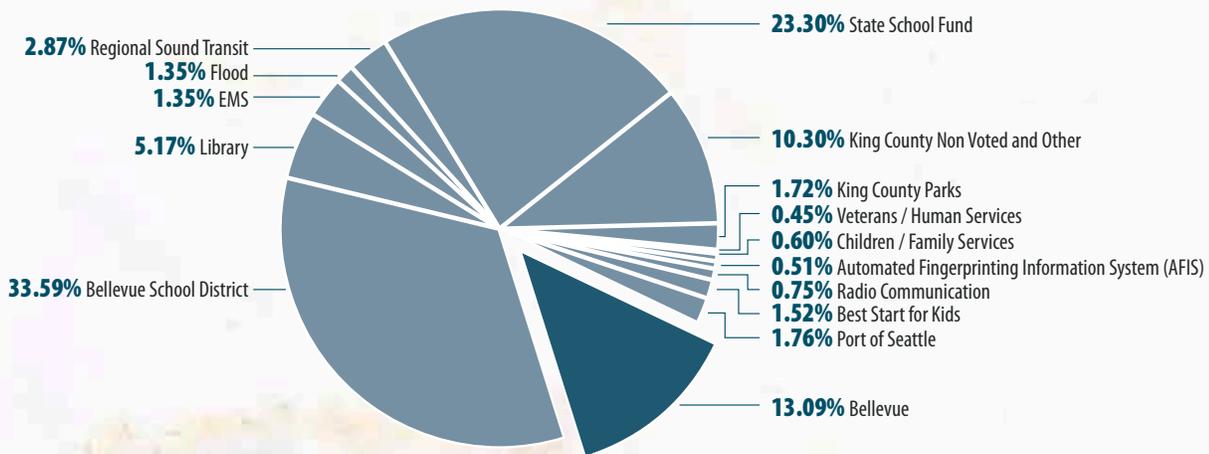
# Tax Rate Snapshot



## About Property Taxes

Property taxes are collected and assessed exclusively by King County. The King County Treasury collects property taxes on behalf of the state, cities and taxing districts, and then distributes the revenue to local governments, such as the City of Bellevue. Residential property is assessed each year at its full market value by the King County Assessor.

### 2017 Levy Rate Distribution



### Total sales tax in Bellevue

**10% sales tax** (6.5% State tax plus 3.5% Local tax - 0.85% City, 0.15% County, 1.4% Sound Transit tax, 0.9% Metro Transit, 0.1% Mental Health, and 0.1% Criminal Justice).

## Resources

All city phone numbers use the 425-area code

Emergency 911

City Hall (Service First for general information) . . . . .	452-6800
City Council Office . . . . .	452-7810
City Clerk's Office and Public Records . . . . .	452-6464
City Manager's Office . . . . .	452-7228
Code Compliance . . . . .	452-4570
Community Centers	
Crossroads Community Center . . . . .	452-4874
Highland Community Center . . . . .	452-7686
North Bellevue Community Center . . . . .	452-7681
South Bellevue Community Center . . . . .	452-4240
Crossroads Mini City Hall . . . . .	452-2800
Development Services . . . . . 452-6800	
New permit applications . . . . .	452-4898
Inspection requests, application and inspection status, pay fees . . . . .	452-6875
Single permits, inspection requests . . . . .	MyBuildingPermit.com
Application and inspection status . . . . .	MyBuildingPermit.com
Diversity Program . . . . .	452-7886
Fire Department (non-emergency)	
Business and Information . . . . .	452-6892
Inspection . . . . .	452-4254
Fire Prevention . . . . .	452-6872
Job Line . . . . .	452-7822
Marina Hotline . . . . .	452-4883
Neighborhood Mediation . . . . .	452-4091
Neighborhood Outreach . . . . .	452-6836
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