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"Bellwether," Bellevue's much celebrated biennial sculpture exhibition, opens June 27 with a theme focused on our connections with communities, nature and each other.

Larger-than-life sculptures, interactive installations and other artworks made out of materials as varied as steel, seaweed and eggshells will be on display within a three-quarter mile walking route, connecting City Hall with Downtown Park.

Shelton artist Barbara De Pirro's "Flora Floresta" features 2,000 recycled plastic bags cut into strips and crocheted in plant forms. "Pacific 2," by Carolyn Mills of Oregon City, Ore., evokes ocean waves with carefully folded sheet metal.

"Bellwether 2014: Connect" invites residents to reflect upon how we connect to community, nature and one another. People can download STQRY, a free and easy-to-use mobile app, to gain access to the stories behind the art.

Share your thoughts on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BellevueArtsProgram>. What ideas and thoughts does the art provoke in you? How do you connect with the world around you? Arts Program staff would love to hear your thoughts.

The exhibition features 30-plus artworks, selected

by a panel of artists and curators from a pool of more than 200 applications. Many of the artworks have been created specifically for Bellwether and will be on view for the first time.

In celebration of Bellwether, the city is hosting a free public opening celebration on Friday, June 27, 6-8 p.m., at City Hall. Light refreshments, complimentary parking and musical entertainment by Eduardo Mendonça and trio will be provided.

"Connect" is the 12th edition of the bi-yearly exhibition, and will be on view through October 12. Organized by the city's Arts Program, it started in 1992 as the Bellevue Sculpture Exhibition and has since grown to be one of the city's summer highlights.

As soon as the exhibition opens, free walking maps and catalogs will be available at City Hall and other locations throughout downtown Bellevue, as well as online at www.bellevuewa.gov/bellwether2014.htm.

Also, free private tours are available for groups of eight or more. Please make your request at least two weeks in advance by emailing mpbyrne@bellevuewa.gov, with "Tour" in the subject line.

For more information: 425-452-4105 or mpbyrne@bellevuewa.gov; 425-452-4852 or smacdonald@bellevuewa.gov

New app puts the city in the palm of your hand

Recognizing that tech-savvy residents and workers in Bellevue use their smart phones to do so many other things, the city launched a mobile app in the spring that makes it possible for them to request services, report issues and access city news, jobs and social media easily with their phones too.

"I like the variety of information, news and services in this app – very easy and efficient. Saves time!" one longtime resident wrote in a survey about the app. "The new app keeps us connected to our community when we travel, and all of the information is easy to access," said

the resident, who identified herself as Carol W.

See a damaged sign or other problem? No need to figure out whom to contact and how. With the app, called MyBellevue, you can use your phone or tablet to notify the city in real time, with a photo and GPS location if you wish.

The app even allows you to check for other service requests in the area. If someone else has already entered the problem you're seeing, you can give that request a "thumbs-up."

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Council Corner

Our vision of Bellevue in 2035



By Mayor Claudia Balducci

Earlier this year, my fellow councilmembers and I came together with the mutual goal of creating a long-range vision of where we want the city to be in 2035, as well as a set of near-term council priorities based on that vision.

I'm pleased to report that our series of meetings was extremely fruitful, resulting in the council's vision statement and a list of 25, two-year priorities that each fall into one of seven

categories, or "strategic target areas." The vision, strategic target areas and priorities will inform the council's work plan for 2014-2015.

The vision and priorities are for the whole city, but one way to think about them is by taking an imaginary tour of the East Link light rail line, which will begin operating in about 10 years. So, without further ado, I invite you to take a ride with me on the city council's vision express.

Our ride starts on Interstate 90 as we travel east across Lake Washington. It corresponds with the strategic target area called **Regional Leadership and Influence**. Reminiscent of I-90 itself, which would not exist without the cooperation of local, state and federal efforts, we hope "Bellevue will lead, catalyze and partner with our neighbors throughout the region," because our concerns and opportunities don't end at the city limits. Effective regional cooperation is critical to our success.

Crossing into Bellevue from Mercer Island, the first stop is the South Bellevue Station, adjacent to Mercer Slough Nature Park, our city's incredible urban wetland. That brings us to our next strategic target area, a **High-Quality Built and Natural Environment**. In 2035, the vision calls for, among other goals, "an abundance of parks and natural open space" and a "smart city with a clean, high-quality environment."

Leaving the South Bellevue station, the train continues north, with Mercer Slough on one side and some of Bellevue's most engaging neighborhoods on the other. Bellevue's neighborhoods are at the heart of the council's vision, and serving them is the ultimate goal of all the council's priorities. Our vision for neighborhoods reads in part: "Bellevue's neighborhoods are defined by the people who live there. All neighborhoods provide communities for residents that are safe and friendly, with gathering places that keep people connected to each other."



Arriving downtown, the view reflects many of the **Great Places Where You Want To Be**, the next target area for our vision. We want people to be "inspired by culture, entertainment and nature. Learn, relax, shop, eat, cook, read, play or marvel at nature."

Downtown is also Bellevue's largest jobs center, bringing us to our vision for **Economic Development**. We will work "to provide an attractive business environment" for the types of companies, services and jobs that bring economic prosperity to all.

We make another stop at the Bellevue Transit Center Station, in the heart of downtown. The station is adjacent to Bellevue City Hall, the seat of a **High Performance Government**. It means, in the words of our vision for 2035: "that residents realize a direct link between their tax dollar investments and the services they receive," and "people are attracted to live here because they see that city government is well managed."

From the light rail station next to city hall, the train crosses Interstate 405 and heads north to the Hospital Station – a great place to consider the next target area for our long-range vision: **Achieving Human Potential**. To us, that means Bellevue is a caring community where all residents enjoy a high quality of life. Our medical district represents one part of the equation for providing a community where people can grow up and thrive into their retirement years. We envision that people will "enjoy access to high level medical services that attract top providers from around the region. We serve our entire community regardless of address, ethnicity, age or capability."

Next we roll into the Bel-Red District, which is even now beginning its transformation into a walkable, urban neighborhood with open streams, public spaces and the light rail line running through the middle of it. This area will embody our vision for **Transportation and Mobility** – providing residents with a number of transportation choices, from walking and bicycling, to fast reliable transit, to wholly new road connections for buses and cars. The council's priorities include making sure "Bellevue is well connected to the rest of the region and its activities via roads and transit."

There is much more, and of course this ride takes us through just a few parts of the city. The council's vision and priorities will support and advance the tremendous quality of life we enjoy. I'm proud that we came together as a council to create this vision, which reflects our collective values. It's an exciting time to be on the Eastside and we are optimistic about our future, as shown in the opening lines of our vision: "Bellevue is ready to welcome the world. Our diversity is our strength. We embrace the future while respecting our past."



Council Roundup

First budget hearing of the year

The City Council on May 21 held the first of three public hearings on the 2015-2016 Budget and the 2015-2021 capital budget (called the Capital Investment Program Plan). A total of four people spoke on a variety of topics. The second public hearing will be on July 21, and the final hearing will be on November 17. Details at www.bellevuewa.gov/budgets.htm.

Councilmembers will begin to review a preliminary budget recommended by the city manager starting in October and will adopt the final spending plans in December.

Shoreline groups pack hearing

As one might expect in a city located between two beautiful lakes, with nearly all of the waterfront occupied by single-family home owners, a May 7 public hearing on draft regulations to manage shorelines drew a crowd.

Nearly 50 people commented in front of the City Council on the city's draft Shoreline Management Program update. Most of the speakers were waterfront property owners in favor of the draft SMP recommended by the Planning Commission; others advocated stricter shoreline regulations they said would better protect fish and water quality.

The SMP was first adopted in 1974 and has changed little since then. Work to update the document started several years ago and is a significant environmental policy and code amendment effort. Once updated and adopted, the SMP will regulate the development and use of Bellevue's shorelines along Lake Washington, Lake Sammamish, Phantom Lake, Larson Lake, lower Kelsey Creek and Mercer Slough.

Councilmembers were set to hold study sessions in May and June to review SMP topics that were of greatest concern to the Planning Commission and to the public. Another public hearing will be held after that to obtain comments on the final package endorsed by the council, before it's submitted to the state Department of Ecology.

Comments can be directed to Carol Helland (chelland@bellevuewa.gov). The draft SMP is available at www.bellevuewa.gov/draft-smp-update.htm.

Action on first phase of Meydenbauer Bay Park

At its April 7 meeting, councilmembers approved a \$1.6 million professional services agreement with Anchor QEA, LLC, to perform architectural, engineering and design work for the first phase of the Meydenbauer Bay Park project.

Planned work mostly will occur west of 99th Avenue Northeast, between Lake Washington Boulevard and the Meydenbauer Bay shoreline. It will include an expanded swimming beach, new restrooms, a shoreline promenade and plaza, pedestrian improvements, parking and environmental improvements. The project will move the city a step closer to fulfilling a long-standing vision of connecting the Meydenbauer Bay waterfront with nearby Downtown Park.

Previously, the council approved \$9 million for the project in the city's 2013-2019 capital budget. In December, councilmembers accepted a \$3 million grant from the state Department of Commerce to accelerate the work.

More information, including a map of the project area, is available online (<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/City%20Council/PacketRegularSession4-7-148d.pdf>)

EnviroStars in Bellevue

A representative with King County's Hazardous Waste Management Program on May 19 recognized 36 Bellevue businesses and organizations as certified EnviroStars. The EnviroStars program publicizes companies' efforts to improve hazardous materials and waste management practices, and to minimize environmental impacts. A full list of certified EnviroStars in Bellevue is available online (<http://www.envirostars.org/certified-biz.aspx>).



City's growing pains will be worth it



Construction cranes have returned downtown for the building of a Marriott Hotel and Bellevue Apartments.

The Eastside's largest city has seen bursts of growth before. So the surge of major construction projects now underway in Bellevue is nothing new. With the economy's continued recovery, the city is accepting applications for permits for office, retail and multifamily buildings, for restaurants; and for hotels. And Bellevue's residents and businesses are feeling the surge.

The tower cranes are back. With the season's nice weather and longer daylight hours, many transportation and utility projects that will help accommodate the city's growth are underway as well.

"A healthy economy, steadily increasing job market and new construction are making Bellevue a dynamic and attractive urban environment," says Mike Brennan, director of Development Services. "But that kind of transformation can't happen without some inconvenience in the process. We're asking people to be patient while Bellevue goes through this newest growth spurt."

The complexity of the projects in review and the number of inspections have increased significantly since this time last year. Multifamily projects are clearly moving along, especially in Old Main and in the Spring District on Bel-Red Road. The city has added staff to keep up with the development and to guide Bellevue's growth in a safe, responsible manner according to the city's codes and the Comprehensive Plan.

You can find out 24/7 where projects are occurring and whom to contact with questions by checking Development Services' Current Development Activity page, www.bellevuewa.gov/development_activity.htm.

The Weekly Permit Bulletin gives official notice of land use applications, public meetings, recommendations, decisions, public hearings and appeals of land use decisions.

The quarterly Major Projects List (private projects in and around downtown and in the Bel-Red district) shows projects which are in review, issued and under construction, as well as those in the pipeline.

City Capital Projects in Your Neighborhood leads you to a map with pop-up details of each project.

A link to MyBuildingPermit.com gets you to permit status and other project information.

These years of major construction will be challenging for many; however, the city does have regulations to help protect our residents from some of the impacts associated with this burst of growth.

City code limits construction noise to 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays. Please note that some work is allowed at night under special conditions. If you think construction is happening outside of the prescribed hours, you can call 911 to report a noise disturbance and have a police officer come to the construction site.

"We appreciate the community's willingness to tolerate the noise and traffic," notes Brennan. "The experience is a lot like remodeling your home. You put up with a few inconveniences along the way, but the end result is worth it. In this case, we are remodeling a city to encourage a variety of housing choices, to create more diverse and dynamic places and to ensure that Bellevue is a major urban destination. I think people will be pleased with the end result."

Summer looking bright for solar power in Bellevue

Looking to take green living in Bellevue to the next step this summer? Have you heard about solar energy, but want to know more about the technology, costs and benefits before investing? "Solarize Bellevue," a partnership between the city and the Pacific Northwest Pollution Prevention Resource Center, offers the chance to learn about the advantage and ease of generating your own power – and help your community get involved.

Solarize Bellevue is a solar purchasing program that achieves cost savings and streamlined installation processes by pooling buyers to make a collective "bulk buys" of solar panels and installation. Pre-selected contractors provide free home assessments, answer questions and ensure that the best possible financing options are obtained.

The program is available to Bellevue homeowners and businesses through November. Other programs similar to Solarize have been widely

successful across the state and country – including in Seattle, Snohomish County, Portland and New York – with savings of as much as 20 percent when compared to acquiring solar energy systems independently.

Solarize Bellevue is interested in hearing from all residents and businesses interested in going solar. Program officials are also recruiting residents to serve on the program's steering committee this spring and summer. The program goal is 25 new solar installations in 2014.

Solarize workshops for interested buyers will be held throughout the summer. To express your interest in participating on the program's steering committee or purchasing solar, please email Paula Del Giudice of the Pacific Northwest Pollution Prevention Resource Center at PDelGiudice@pprc.org. More information about this and other programs is available online at www.GreenWA.org.

Roadway projects to have major traffic impacts this summer

April showers bring May flowers, and June brings summer construction in many areas in Bellevue. The following projects will have traffic impacts and we want you to know when and where to avoid possible delays. For more detailed information about each project, please refer to the Citywide Projects Update on pages 8, 9 and 10.

IN JUNE, the following projects are under construction in various areas of Bellevue:

- 120th Avenue Northeast, Stage 1: Northeast Fourth Street and Northeast Eighth Street. One lane in each direction until September.
- Coal Creek Parkway Culvert Replacement, Phase 2: Forest Drive Southeast to Southeast 60th Street. One lane in each direction through October.
- Northeast Fourth Street Extension, Phase 1: 116th Avenue Northeast to 120th Avenue Northeast: A full weekend closure of Northeast Fourth Street and 116th Avenue

Northeast will be needed at the end of June or in mid-July. Estimated completion by October.

The city will be paving at locations including Factoria Boulevard, Coal Creek Parkway, Lake Hills Connector and Lake Washington Boulevard.

IN JULY/AUGUST, we expect two projects to begin in the areas of Wilburton and Eastgate:

- 124th Avenue Northeast Wilburton Streetscape: Main Street to Northeast Eighth Street: Occasional lane closures until October.

IN SEPTEMBER, we will begin one major project in the Bel-Red area:

- 120th Avenue Northeast: Northeast Eighth to Northeast 12th Street, Stage 2: A major closure of the Northeast Eighth Street intersection one weekend or more and lane

closures until 2016. More details will be available in the fall.

Throughout the summer, the state Department of Transportation will continue working on Interstate 90, I-405 and SR-520. Please refer to this site for partial or full ramp and lane or road closures: www.wsdot.wa.gov/Northwest/King/Construction/

Thank you for your patience this construction season. We strive to keep our construction information up to date and ask you to plan your trips with these impacts in mind.

To stay informed of weekly traffic impacts, commercial development and private utility work, visit www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic_advisories.htm or use the Real-Time Traffic Map or Bellevue's Traffic Cameras: www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic_cams.htm or follow us on Twitter, @BvueTrans for current traffic conditions.

Bellevue Zip Tour is now open!



This spring, the new Bellevue Zip Tour opened at Eastgate Park.

The new park feature includes a series of lines and bridges amidst a second-growth forest of Douglas fir and broadleaf maple trees, plus spectacular views of the downtown Bellevue skyline and North Cascades. In all, there are six and a half “zips” (the half-line is an exit zip to get riders back to the ground) ranging from 76 to 450 feet in length. The highest segment is 80 feet off the ground.

The zip line is located on the south side of Newport Way, immediately west of the South Bellevue Community Center, next to the Bellevue Challenge Course. The zip line is open to the general public, and is available to individuals and groups through advanced registration.

The cost is \$44 for youth (ages 9 - 17) and \$69 for adults (18+), with limited scholarships available. Advanced reservation is required, but individual drop-ins may be accepted when space is available.

Northwest Teambuilding is the certified course operator. The company operates the Bellevue Zip Tour through October with varying schedules by season:

- April through June—Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays;
- June through August—open daily;
- September through October—Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

The zip line is an expansion to the Challenge Course, made possible after the city purchased a 14-acre parcel next to the South Bellevue Community Center in September 2012. Funds from the 2013 King County parks levy (\$451,500) and King County Conservation Futures (\$451,500) covered the \$903,000 purchase. It cost \$200,000 to construct the zip line.

For course reservations, register online at

<http://activitysearch.myparksandrecreation.com> and enter ‘Bellevue Zip Tour’ in the search box.

For more information about South Bellevue Community Center, Eastgate Park or the Bellevue Challenge Course, call 425-452-4240 or email sbcc@bellevuewa.gov. Information is also available at www.bellevuewa.gov/south_bellevue_center.htm.

New look for Downtown Park war memorial?



Bob Shay discusses the monument at Downtown Park

A World War I memorial at Bellevue Downtown Park could get a new look if a long-time Wilburton resident can raise the money.

“I’m trying to bring back the reverence and respect for that place,” said Bob Shay, who served in the Navy during the Vietnam War and has lived in Bellevue since 1977. “I just want it to be a place where people remember the veterans, what they did and continue to do. It looks unfinished. It should look finished.”

The memorial, a concrete block with a plaque, was installed in front of Bellevue’s grade school in 1926. The school is gone, but the monument, which celebrates three Bellevue men who died in World War I, now stands in the middle of the park. The Parks & Community Services Department maintains the monument, but Shay would like it to be more prominent.

The memorial at one time featured a flagpole. The plaque bears the names of Victor Freed, Victor Hanson and Oscar Johnson, along with the phrase “lest we forget” from a Rudyard Kipling poem. The Bellevue School District, together with the Bellevue Minute Women, installed the monument.



The Minute Women also planted three elm trees in the area. Two still stand there; one was damaged in a wind storm and had to be replaced.

With donated labor and materials from local businesses and city-approved plans prepared pro bono by local landscape architect Richard Vandemark, Shay has a plan to build a modest circular paved apron around the block to increase its visibility and protect the base. Shay’s plans, which have changed a couple of times, also call for a small bronze sculpture depicting a ceremonially folded military flag with three roses resting on top where the old flagpole was.

In January 2011, he first approached the Parks Department with a proposal for additions to the monument, and he brought his ideas to the Park Board that October.

If Shay can raise funds for the project, the

city will work with the Eastside Heritage Center to create interpretive signage to provide additional information about the memorial.

According to Shay, GLY Construction has agreed to install the pavers donated by Mutual Materials for the apron at no cost.

Shay has been raising funds to cover the fabrication and installation of the bronze sculpture, which could cost up to \$15,000. Shay says he has raised about \$3,000 so far.

Shay is hoping for a burst in donations this summer, with additional publicity and sales of prints of a patriotic painting by an army combat artist. Frank Thomas, now retired in Utah, agreed to donate 100 prints of the painting, “Provide for the Common Defense,” which was used in the Army’s bicentennial celebration of the U.S. Constitution in 1986. All proceeds from sales of the prints will go toward the memorial fund.

This spring the Veterans of Foreign Wars Lake Washington post, for which Shay is chaplain, began accepting donations for the project. All donation checks should be made payable to: VFW Post 2995, with “WWI Monument project” on the memo line. Mail donations to: Robert Shay, Chaplain - c/o VFW Post 2995, 4330 148th Ave. NE, Redmond, WA 98052.

If you have questions about the memorial project or want to give, you can contact Shay directly at rshay@qwest.net or 206-478-0505.

Bel-Red still being considered for Sound Transit maintenance facility

Sound Transit is close to deciding the location for a new satellite maintenance facility, and three sites in Bel-Red are under consideration. Residents have until June 23 to comment.

Sound Transit is expanding its light rail network from a 16-mile line from Sea-Tac Airport to downtown Seattle, to a 50-mile network taking riders to Bellevue and Redmond in the east, Lynnwood in the north and Kent/Des Moines in the south.

Growing the voter-approved system requires tripling the light rail fleet, and a new facility is needed to store, maintain and dispatch the rail cars for daily service. In the fall of 2012, the Sound Transit Board of Directors identified four potential sites for the 25-acre operations and maintenance satellite facility (OMSF), one in Lynnwood and three in Bel-Red.

The City of Bellevue is planning transit-oriented development in Bel-Red, and the City Council expressed opposition to the Bellevue sites under consideration in a letter to Sound Transit, noting that the rail yard was

“incompatible with the community vision, adopted land use regulations and transit-oriented development.”

Analysis of the four sites is presented in a draft environmental impact statement (EIS), which was issued in May by Sound Transit and the Federal Transit Administration. There has been a 45-day comment period (May 9-June 23), and the agency held a public hearing in Bellevue on June 5 regarding the potential maintenance facility sites.

Following the comment period (May 9-June 23), the Sound Transit Board is expected to identify a preliminary preferred site later this summer. Work will then begin on a final EIS and preliminary engineering for the project. The final EIS will also document and address comments received on the draft EIS.

Following the publication of the final EIS, the Sound Transit Board will make a final decision on the site for the maintenance facility.



New visitor center welcomes people to Botanical Garden

On Saturday, June 14, the new visitor center opened at the Bellevue Botanical Garden. Designed by Olson Kundig Architects, it's a spacious 8,500 square-foot building that opens to surrounding gardens.

The center includes an outdoor covered orientation space, gift shop, meeting space, offices and restrooms. Multi-purpose classrooms and meeting spaces were also integrated to meet the rising interest in garden education and accommodate a wide range of programming.

Extensive landscaping work complements the new center and enhances the outdoor circulation space. Existing gardens were improved and new gardens were created and named: The Sun Courtyard, Spring Court and Iris Rain Garden.

In addition, the parking lot was expanded to more than double the previous capacity, and provides safer access to the visitor center. The former visitor center, the original home of Cal and Harriet Shorts, will continue to serve as a gathering space for the garden.

Voters approved the \$10 million project in the 2008 Parks & Natural Areas Levy, and the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society committed \$5 million towards the project through its Growing a Living Legacy private fundraising campaign.

In 1984, the Shorts deeded their home and seven acres of gardens to the city to become a public park. In the same year, the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society was formed to promote the use of the Shorts property as a botanical garden. In 1989, the City Council set aside 17 acres for the botanical garden, including the Shorts property. Another 19 acres south of the garden was set aside as a botanical reserve.

The garden opened in 1992 and thrives because of strong community support, including the partnerships between the city and the BBG Society and numerous other community groups.



With more than 300,000 visitors a year, the Botanical Garden is one of the city's most popular destinations. The destination features 53 acres of cultivated gardens, restored woodlands and natural wetlands, showcasing plants that thrive in the Pacific Northwest.

The Bellevue Botanical Garden is open daily, and tours of the new facility and grounds are available every Saturday and Sunday through October.

Admission is free. For more information, visit www.bellevuebotanical.org or call 425-452-2750.

Preparedness classes in July

The Bellevue Office of Emergency Management will partner with King County libraries in Bellevue to present "Getting Your Neighborhood Prepared for a Disaster," a class that gives you the tools to organize your neighborhood and become a trusted partner with the city as a neighborhood block captain and disaster preparedness evangelist.

During this class, we'll introduce you to Emergency Management's community profile, an analysis that divides the city into 14 neighborhood areas and details the strategies required to canvass each of them.

You will also learn about Bellevue's Citizen Corps Council, a critical volunteer advisory board of neighborhood area representatives. Lastly, you'll get a brief overview on the citywide neighborhood emergency response plan and how prospective block captains will be asked to liaison with the city.

This class will be offered four times in the third and fourth weeks of July. All classes start at 7 p.m., and admission is free.

- Monday, July 14, Newport Way Library.
- Wednesday, July 16, Lake Hills Library.
- Monday, July 21, Bellevue Library.
- Wednesday, July 23, Library Connection at Crossroads, Mall Community Room.

For more information on this program, please contact Sophia Le (425-452-6935 or oempublished@bellevuewa.gov).

Weighing in on Energize Eastside



Audience members wave in support of a speaker at a community forum concerning Puget Sound Energy's Energize Eastside project. Nearly 300 people showed up to the June 3 forum hosted by the city. Details about the city's electrical facilities planning at www.bellevuewa.gov/electrical-facilities.htm.

Suspicious activity? Call before you blog

Many of our neighborhood associations have blogs or use Nextdoor or Facebook pages dedicated to the sharing of information among neighbors. While we encourage this excellent and expedient way to communicate, it's not a substitute for calling the police.

If you see suspicious activity or people, call 911 immediately, so Bellevue Police can respond quickly. Please record car descriptions and license numbers (even partial). For suspicious individuals, a description including approximate height, weight, build, facial hair and clothing is extremely helpful. Never put yourself at risk to get this information.

To protect your own home from break-in, BE VIGILANT and remember the tips below:

- Call 911 to report any suspicious activity.
- Lock all doors and windows. Ensure the interior doors leading from the garage to the home interior are locked.
- Keep garage doors closed at all times.
- Walk the perimeter of your house to ensure there are no items left unattended that could pose as an opportunity for a thief; such as garden tools lawn mowers, ladders, bicycles and items on your doorstep.
- If you have an alarm – use it! Post the yard stakes or window labels advertising to thieves that you have an alarm.
- Hide jewelry and valuables – most burglars grab electronics, cash and jewelry (especially gold) that are in sight and accessible. If you have a safe, use it to secure valuables (passports, blank checks, credit cards, extra house and car keys and firearms). A safe should be heavy and

bolted down to concrete.

- If you are away, leave a radio or TV and/or light on and ask a neighbor to periodically check your house. Timers on interior and exterior lights are also good even when you are not away-vary the times they are turned on and off. Make sure newspapers are removed daily in addition to garbage cans brought in from the curb.
- If you have a car parked outside, remove the garage door opener and registration/insurance information and do not leave anything valuable in plain view.
- If someone is knocking on your door, especially in the daytime, they may be casing your home. Address them from inside your home, so they know someone is home and call 911 if you feel this is suspicious. When a visitor is suspicious, don't open the door for any reason. Try and observe any vehicles or other subjects associated.
- Don't "advertise" what you have just purchased by leaving the packing boxes from your new television or computer next to your recycling totes; break them down and put them inside.

The City of Bellevue is committed to ensuring our community is safe for its residents and visitors. The Police and Neighborhood Outreach work in partnership to involve and educate residents about crime prevention.

You can get help by organizing a block watch in your neighborhood and getting involved with the new Neighborhood ACTS program. If you have questions, please contact Officer Carla Iafrate, police public information officer, 425-452-4129 or ciafrate@bellevuewa.gov.



Neighborhood Match program brings people together

Sean Patch was house-hunting with his family when he drove by the Cougar Hills neighborhood in southeast Bellevue and noticed a group of people working together to clean up an area near the entrance to the community.

“That’s where I want to live, where all the neighbors pitch in to help out,” Patch remembers telling his family. Earlier this year, not long after they encountered the neighborhood work crew, they bought a house in a quiet cul-de-sac and became part of the Cougar Hills community.

What Patch saw that Saturday morning was the city’s Neighborhood Match program in action.

Created in 1997, the program partners with residents to fund and build small projects that improve neighborhoods. The program provides matching grants of up to \$10,000 per project for small-scale neighborhood improvements. For every dollar awarded by the city, the neighborhood provides an equal or greater match consisting of money, professional services, materials and/or volunteer labor.

Since its inception, the program has spurred more than 200 improvement projects. In addition to Cougar Hills, the neighborhoods of Lochmoor, Pheasant Ridge, Horizon Crest, Sherwood Forest and Horizon View received grants last year. In the process of working together on improvements, residents connected with their neighbors, learned about neighborhood history and built a stronger sense of pride and identity in their community.

Past projects have included new entrance signs, landscaping, neighborhood art and play equipment. One type of project that is no longer funded through Neighborhood Match is the conversion of single residential mailboxes into a cluster unit. The U.S. Postal Service supports that improvement through its Cluster Box Unit Conversion program, and more information can be found at your local post office.

The city is always looking for fun and creative project ideas to bring people together. Applying for funds may sound complicated, but staff in Neighborhood Outreach is there to help applicants turn project ideas into realities. To get started, contact program manager Ying Carlson (ycarlson@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4342).

Vicki Heck, another Cougar Hill resident who helped on the entry sign project, never thought of herself as a “community leader,” she just wanted to do something good for her neighborhood.

“It started as a very simple thought, but then when I talked to my neighbors, it really brought everyone together, and it became a community effort. It was truly amazing,” Heck said. “Everyone worked hard and it was a great bonding experience. Sean’s family was the first one to come out to help.”

New garbage services roll out

The City Council approved a new contract with Republic Services that provides garbage, recycling and organics collection services to single-family, multifamily and commercial customers, along with citywide litter control and customer service/billing services effective June 29.

The biggest change in the contract is that organics collection, which has been available to single-family customers in the past, will now be available to all multifamily and commercial customers too. Customers will also have online account management and electronic billing upon request.

Another new service is that on June 29, with the kick-off of the new contract, Republic will open an in-city recycling drop-off center located at their offices at 1600 127th Ave NE, to be open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

In addition to items accepted at the curb such as aluminum, cardboard, glass, paper, plastic bags, plastic containers and tin cans, the recycling drop-off center will take the following items; fluorescent bulbs and tubes, household batteries, used cooking oil, e-waste (computers, TVs, cell phones, etc.), child car seats, bikes/bike parts, hardcover books, rigid plastics such as laundry baskets and coolers, styrofoam blocks, small propane cylinders and small appliances (microwave ovens, toasters, irons, etc.).

Single-family customers can now recycle new items at the curb, including household batteries (all alkaline, button and rechargeable), used cooking oil and rigid plastics (lawn chairs, coolers, laundry baskets, etc.) To give single-family customers more options with container size and cost, Republic has added a 10-gallon micro-can and a 45-gallon cart for garbage, increasing the number of garbage container sizes to six.

Multifamily customers will now be able to recycle new items, such as



Plastic chairs in the recycling cart? Yes, after June 29 residents will be able to recycle rigid plastics such as lawn chairs,

rigid plastics (lawn chairs, coolers, laundry baskets, etc.). They will also be able to call for pickup of used cooking oil, household batteries and small electronics and appliances.

Commercial customers will also receive unlimited recycling and one 96-gallon organics cart at no additional cost. Businesses can get assistance with setting up or improving their recycling by calling Republic at 425-646-2492.

To cover the new services and equipment, rates are increasing, based on garbage container sizes chosen. These rates are effective for 18 months. Republic sent information out earlier this year to customers, asking them to choose container sizes and listing current and new monthly fees. Republic is also sending fliers to customers in June showing what goes where and how to prepare it.

For more details, customers can call Republic at 425-452-4762 (residential customers) or 425-646-2492 (commercial customers) or visit the website at www.RepublicBellevue.com.

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“People do so much now with their smart phones, it’s time to make city services and programs available that way too,” said Toni Cramer, Bellevue’s chief information officer. “People can still ask for help by phone or online, but this really makes service and information easy to access.”

MyBellevue On the go!

“I’ve enjoyed all aspects of the app,” noted Rosemarie McIntyre, a real estate agent with Keller Williams Realty in Bellevue. She said she can pick up

In addition to service requests, MyBellevue offers other widgets (links) for programs people on the go would want to know about, including city news, emergencies, jobs and social media. The widgets take users to mobile-enabled web pages.

valuable leads on what’s happening in the city from the app.

MyBellevue was launched on March 31. It’s available in the Apple App Store, Google Play, Blackberry World and the Windows Store. Please review and rate the app if you have the chance.

The app is managed under a contract with New York-based PublicStuff, which has developed mobile apps for more than 30 other cities across the country. In September the City Council approved a three-year, \$92,737 contract with PublicStuff for the customer request and management application, following a procurement process.

People are not obligated to download the app to make service requests and access popular programs. All city programs, including a MyBellevue customer portal, continue to be available on the city website (www.bellevuewa.gov).



The Lessons of Spiritwood

By East Bellevue Community Council Member Gerald Hughes

The single-family neighborhoods are changing. And many feel not for the better. Spiritwood shows how we all can impact that change to protect the quality of our lives.

The smaller homes on relatively large lots that were built in the '50s and '60s are being replaced. Basic economics are driving the process. You may see it taking place around you. If you haven't yet, you will soon.

A 1,300-square-foot home with four bedrooms and one bath is torn down and replaced with a 4,000-square-foot home occupying almost the entire lot, out of character with the existing houses.

Or you see a similar Rambler remodeled from three bedrooms to six or more, with no change to the footprint, now offering rooms for rent. Or a 10-bedroom, 10-bathroom home replaces a small house. It looks like a dormitory but is classified as a single-family residence. Everyone knows it will be rented out room by room.

Or the small house is replaced by a mega house with multiple bedrooms on two floors and two kitchens still qualifying as a single-family residence. When completed the house gets a permit to operate a business as a nursing home, assisted living, or equivalent commercial enterprise.

Or in the future, the State of Washington decides to buy your neighborhood as they are doing with Sunset Ranch that borders on Bellevue College. Ultimately this former single-family neighborhood will likely become student housing with new dormitories.

These are some of the changes taking place in the neighborhoods on the East side of Bellevue. The smaller homes with large lots and relatively cheap values compared to West Bellevue are most vulnerable as they offer the most financial gain to developers and investors.

You may have contacted the city about these changes and been told, "There's nothing we can do."

But Stephanie Walter and her Spiritwood neighbors (Barb Benson, Steve and Nan Fricke, Irene Fernandez, David Pater and others with common

concerns) have been successful in slowing the process in their neighborhood.

The problem in Spiritwood was that small houses were being converted to multiple-room rentals, and a 7,000-square-foot, single-room rental property with up to 10 bedrooms was under construction. After numerous meetings at City Hall with the initial response "The city codes are being met. They are operating within the current laws," the team persisted.

They continued to ask 'why?' and to educate themselves on codes and laws. They appeared before the EBCC with their story, and got the attention of the City Council. Once the council was informed, they responded quickly and went to the Spiritwood neighborhood to see the issue firsthand.

With the help of an attorney hired by Spiritwood and city staff, the city wrote 'an emergency ordinance for residential room rentals', which was quickly approved by the council and the EBCC. These new rules are in place until September 23.

Since then, the Planning Commission has taken on the task of developing a permanent ordinance. Over 60 people were at the commission's meeting in Lake Hills on April 23. With additional public input at its monthly meeting on May 28, the commission decided it needed more public input before implementing a permanent ordinance, even if this meant extending the emergency ordinance. This seems to be a wise decision.

Over 80 people were at the revitalized Lake Hills Neighborhood Meeting on May 15 that focused on building codes and compliance. Many raised their concerns over the changing character of their neighborhoods without adequate public input. The City Council, staff, and Planning Commission are taking this issue seriously and want to make sure that any new ordinance meets the needs of our communities.

Of course, the capitalist system ensures that when there is a demand for a product, through financial incentives, supply will ultimately satisfy this demand. So you cannot stop change. But if you want any control over how this process takes place, and the how it evolves, then you must follow the Spiritwood model and get organized and get involved.

If you need help, call Mike McCormick Huentelman, the manager of Neighborhood Outreach; that is part of his job. Half-century-old building codes can be updated, neighborhood plans can become part of the Bellevue Comprehensive Plan being updated, and new ordinances can be written.

But you need to get involved, or next year you may be looking at the side of a mega house instead of the sky. Like Spiritwood, you should know your rights and responsibilities, be respectful of city staff time by doing your homework and educating yourself.

Then go to planning meetings, attend the monthly EBCC meeting and give your input. Otherwise, a few years from now you may be asking, "How did my neighborhood change so much? How did these multifamily residences get here? Why are there so many businesses on my street?" And don't ever accept, "there is nothing we can do."

For more information about the East Bellevue Community Council, call Deputy City Clerk Charmaine Arredondo, 425-452-6466.

East Bellevue Community Council meets the first Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.

Members: Gerald Hughes, Ross Gooding, Steven Kasner, Betsi Hummer, William Capron

We welcome comments about the East Bellevue area. You can share your views with the Community Council via e-mail at EBCC@bellevuewa.gov. To find out more about the agendas and decisions of EBCC go to the website, www.bellevuewa.gov/EBCC_Homepage.htm.

Bellevue Essentials ramps up for second leadership class

City residents and workers interested in learning more about their city are invited to join the second annual Bellevue Essentials leadership class. Bellevue Essentials immerses participants in the structure and operations of city government. Participants will learn from key city staff, neighborhood leaders, decision makers, elected officials and community leaders.

The eight-week introduction to civic engagement in Bellevue begins on September 18, with eight weekly Thursday evening sessions and a Saturday tour day, scheduled for September 27. Class size will be limited to 30 participants to ensure a quality experience. The deadline for applications is July 15.

"Bellevue Essentials introduces participants to the behind-the-scenes work done at the city and helps them understand how local government works," said Mayor Claudia Balducci. "They will learn how the city responds to community concerns, how policy is made and how to effect change. When citizens take an interest and take on leadership roles, they help to positively shape the vision for Bellevue."

The first Bellevue Essentials grad to officially take on one of those leadership roles was Debra Kumar, who was recently appointed to a four-year term on the city's Parks & Community Services Board.

Another 2013 alumni, Judy Faast, said the experience "transformed me from being an observer to being a participant." Fellow alum Kevin Chen, said that Bellevue Essentials "helped me explore a different facet of



Judy Faast

leadership. It made me realize how accessible city government is and how our contributions to the city as residents are vital."

Session topics will include history and demographics, neighborhoods, parks and community services, planning, budget, transportation, arts, environmental stewardship, utilities and economic development.

Bellevue Essentials seeks participants from diverse interests and backgrounds. The 2013 class ranged in age from 17 to 70-plus, and reflected the geographic and ethnic make-up of Bellevue.

The classes are open to anyone who lives or works in Bellevue, but will give preference to residents. Applicants will be accepted based on the following criteria: identification as emerging leaders, geographic diversity and a short essay on personal goals of participation in program. Applications are due July 15.

Bellevue Essentials tuition is \$95 per participant, with financial assistance available. Tuition includes all classes, materials and a light meal at each session. For more information or to request a brochure and a simple one-page application, please contact Julie Ellenhorn, Neighborhood Outreach, 425-452-5372 or jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov.

Recruitment for police and fire chiefs



Retired Police Chief
Linda Pillo



Retired Fire Chief
Mike Eisner

The City of Bellevue thanks both recently retired Police Chief Linda Pillo and retired Fire Chief Mike Eisner for their many years of service to the city. Chief Pillo retired on April 15, after 35 years of public service, 28 with the Bellevue Police. Chief Eisner retired on June 13, after 40 years with the Bellevue Fire Department.

Former Bellevue Police Chief Jim Montgomery is serving as the interim police chief. Deputy Fire Chief Mark Risen is serving as the interim fire chief.

The city will hire an executive recruitment firm to assist in a nationwide search for each position. The recruitment and selection plans will incorporate broad stakeholder input from interested community organizations, businesses, residents and other key stakeholders.

Information on the recruitments can be found on the city's Human Resources jobs web page, www.bellevuewa.gov/RegularJobs.htm.

Citywide Projects Update

Throughout the city, there are many projects in various stages of development. This update includes all projects with an estimated budget of \$100,000 or more, sorted by neighborhood. If you have questions, please contact the project manager.

Bridle Trails

Contact

Bridle Trails Park Levy Projects: Developing a neighborhood park in the Bridle Trails neighborhood at the corner of NE 24th St and 134th Ave NE. Construction starts early summer, completed by end of 2014. \$700,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/bridle_trails_levy.htm	Scott VanderHyden, 425-452-4169 Svanderhyden@bellevuewa.gov
SR 520 Bridge Replacement & HOV Project: Rebuilding the floating bridge and replacing highway and interchanges between I-5 and Medina. For SR 520 closures, refer to WSDOT webpage. Construction underway until 2015. \$6.5 billion. www.dot.wa.gov/Projects/SR520Bridge	Rick Logwood, 425-452-6858 Rlogwood@bellevuewa.gov
Eastside Transit & HOV Project: Completing and improving the 8.8-mile high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes from Evergreen Pt. Rd. to the SR 202 interchange. It will provide two general purpose lanes and one transit/HOV lane in each direction. Complete Summer 2014. \$306 million. www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/SR520Bridge/MedinaTo202/	Rick Logwood, 425-452-6858 Rlogwood@bellevuewa.gov
Pikes Peak Reservoir Structural/Seismic Modifications and Pump Station Replacement: Structural/Seismic rehabilitation to existing 1 million gallon steel reservoir, and replacement of Pikes Peak Pump Station adjacent to reservoir (joint project). Construction 2017-2018. \$5.7 million.	Jay Hummel, 425-452-4160 Jhummel@bellevuewa.gov

Bel-Red

Contact

Mid Lakes Pump Station Capacity Improvements: Replace existing pump station to increase capacity for growth in Bel-Red. Construction for Mid Lakes may be dependent on redevelopment rates in the Bel-Red Corridor rezone area. \$4 million (est.)	Vanaja S. Rajah, 425-452-4881 Vrajah@bellevuewa.gov
120th Ave NE: NE 8th St - NE 12th St, Stage 2: Widening the roadway to five lanes with bike lanes, landscaping, and sidewalks; includes utility work. Construction October 2014. \$31 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/4th-and-120th-NE-corridor.htm	Paul Krawczyk, 425-452-7905 Pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.gov
120th Ave NE: NE 12th - Northup Way, Stage 3: Widening the roadway to four or five lanes with bike lanes, landscaping, and sidewalks, with utility work. Design complete in 2015. \$19.2 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/4th-and-120th-NE-corridor.htm	Paul Krawczyk, 425-452-7905 Pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.gov
NE 15th St (Zone 1): 116th to 120th Aves NE: Widening NE 12th St east of 116th Ave NE to a new four-lane roadway and multimodal path connection from just west of the existing Eastside Rail Corridor to 120th Ave NE. Designing to 60 percent. \$1.4 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/130th-Ave-and-NE-16th.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov
NE 15th St (Zone 2): 120th to 124th Aves NE: Adding a four-lane roadway with a center median, wider lanes for shared non-motorized use, landscaping, sidewalks, and on-street parking along the north side between 120th and 124th Avenues NE. Designing to 60 percent. \$1.3 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/ne-15th-street-construction.htm	Rick Logwood, 425-452-6858 Rlogwood@bellevuewa.gov
NE 16th St: 130th to 132nd Aves NE: Adding a new two-lane roadway by extending NE 16th St from 130th Ave NE to 132nd Ave NE. A future light rail transit station will be built in the center of the future roadway. Designed to 30 percent. \$740,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/130th-Ave-and-NE-16th.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov
124th Ave NE: Proposed NE 15th St to Northup Way: Widening 124th Ave NE to five lanes. Project is only funded for construction between NE 14th and NE 18th Streets. Design complete in Fall 2014. Construction 2015. \$8.9 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/124th-ave-improvements.htm	Marina Arakelyan, 425-452-4632 Marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov
124th Ave NE: NE 12th St to NE 14th St: 30 percent design for the widening of 124th Ave NE to five lanes with multipurpose path/sidewalk, and landscaping is completed. This project will also construct streetscape enhancements on 124th, between Main Street and NE 8th Street, which is scheduled for Fall 2014. \$1.4 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/124th-ave-improvements.htm	Marina Arakelyan, 425-452-4632 Marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov
124th Ave NE and SR 520 Interchange: Partnering with WSDOT to develop a report that will evaluate and investigate access to and from SR 520 at 124th Ave NE. Report complete mid-2014. WSDOT budget: \$2.2 million.	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov
130th Ave NE: Bel-Red Rd to NE 20th St: Widening roadway to a two-lane pedestrian-oriented street with on-street parking and bicycle lanes north of the future NE 16th St intersection. Includes sidewalks, landscaping, lighting, etc. Designed to 15 percent. \$423,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/130th-Ave-and-NE-16th.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov

Crossroads

Contact

Bellevue Youth Theatre Expansion: Constructing a new 12,000 sq. ft. multi-functional theater in Crossroads Community Park. Construction underway through Fall 2014. \$9 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/youth_theatre_expansion.htm	Pam Fehrman, 425-452-4326 Pfehrman@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Repairs 2014, Phase 1: Repairing existing sewer system within neighborhood area. Construction late Summer/early Fall 2014. \$1.2 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Crossroads Mall Sanitary Sewer Rehab: Replacement/rehabilitation of existing sanitary sewer system in Crossroads Mall. Project delayed for extended design analysis. Construction 2016. \$500,000.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov

East Lake Hills

Contact

SE 16th St: 148th to 156th Ave SE: Adding sidewalks and bike lanes between 148th and 156th Aves SE. 60 percent design will be completed in 2014. \$250,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/se-16th-148th-to-156th.htm	Chris Masek, 425-452-4619 Cmasek@bellevuewa.gov
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Eastgate/Cougar Mountain

Contact

Lakemont Blvd & SE Cougar Mtn. Way/SE 63rd St Intersection: Design is underway for new a traffic signal at the intersection of Lakemont Blvd & Cougar Mtn. Way. Construction expected Fall 2014. \$1.5 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/lakemont-cmw-intersection.htm	Chris Masek, 425-452-4619 Cmasek@bellevuewa.gov
Factoria Blvd Overlay: Roadway repair and resurfacing from SE 36th St to SE 41st Pl. The project will also upgrade the existing sidewalk ramps to comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). Construction in June 2014.	Teresa Becker, 425-452-7942 tbecker@bellevuewa.gov
Horizon View #3 Water Booster Pump Station Rehabilitation: Installing new pumps and standby generator. Planning, design & permitting. Construction Summer 2014 - Summer 2015. \$1.2-1.45 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Horizon View #1 Reservoir and Water Booster Pump Station Rehabilitation or Replacement: Planning and pre-design. Construction 2015-2016. \$2.3-\$4.5 million.	James B. Nicolls, 425-452-2869 JBNicolls@bellevuewa.gov
Pressure Zone Interties: Installing two new pressure reducing valve stations. Planning, design & permitting. Construction Summer 2014. \$160,000-\$200,000 (est.)	James B. Nicolls, 425-452-2869 JBNicolls@bellevuewa.gov
Newport Way Sidewalk, 150th Ave SE to 152nd Ave SE: Adding a new sidewalk on the south side and bike lanes on both sides. Construction late Summer 2014. \$1.7 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/se-newport-way-sidewalk.htm	Chris Masek, 425-452-4619 Cmasek@bellevuewa.gov

Newport Hills

Contact

Coal Creek Culvert Replacement, Ph. 2: Work on second half of bridge. Traffic reduced to one lane in each direction until construction is complete October 2014. \$6.5 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/coalcreekbridge.htm	Bruce Jensen, 425-452-7240 BJensen@bellevuewa.gov
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Lake Heights Wastewater Pump Station Rehab: Existing wastewater pumping station assumed from Coal Creek Utility District to be rehabilitated to meet current standards. Predesign Summer/Fall 2014. Construction 2016. \$750,000.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
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Northeast Bellevue

Contact

Hidden Valley Park: Constructing a multi-use gymnasium and improving the sports field in partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bellevue. Site work is underway. \$5 million (for site work). www.bellevuewa.gov/hidden-valley-bgcb-partnership.htm	Scott VanderHyden, 425-452-4169 Svanderhyden@bellevuewa.gov
Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 1 Development: Improving the park west of 99th Ave SE. Design is underway. Estimated construction 2016 - 2017. \$11 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/meydenbauer-park-projects.htm	Robin Cole, 425-452-2881 Rcole@bellevuewa.gov
Northup Way Corridor Improvements: NE 24th St to NE 33rd Place: Adding bike lanes and sidewalks between NE 24th St and NE 33rd Pl. The improvements will connect the SR 520 trail with a new regional trail at 108th Ave NE. Final design Fall 2014. \$11.5 million (est.) www.bellevuewa.gov/northup-corridor-pedbike.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov
Storm Water Dig and Repair -2014: NE 12th St, west of 108th Ave. Replacing existing storm pipes. Construction Winter 2014/2015 \$100,000.	Vanaja S. Rajah, 425-452-4881 Vrajah@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Repairs 2014, Phase 1: Repair of sanitary sewer defects multiple locations in neighborhood. Construction Summer 2014. \$1 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Bellevue Way NE – NE 20 Pl to NE 31 St Fence Replacement: Replacement of existing fences in the right of way along Bellevue Way. Construction late Summer/Fall 2014. \$200,000.	Greg Lucas, 425-452-4550 Glucas@bellevuewa.gov
Bellevue Way NE – North of 103rd Ave NE Rockery Replacement: Replacement of an existing rockery with an engineered wall. Construction late Summer/Fall 2014. \$350,000.	Chris Masek, 425-452-4619 Cmasek@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Replacement – Vuccrest Side Sewers: This is the second phase of a previous project. It involves the replacement and/or rehabilitation of side sewers. Predesign late 2014 with construction anticipated 2015. \$470,000.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov

Sammamish/East Lake Hills

Contact

Bellevue Airfield Park: Design and permitting leading to the construction of future sports fields, trails, picnic facilities and storm water improvements over an existing landfill. Ph. 1 design and permitting 2014-2015. \$1.6 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/eastgate_area_properties_master_plan.htm	Pam Fehrman, 425-452-4326 Pfehrman@bellevuewa.gov
Sunset Elementary School Sidewalk: Adding new sidewalk on east side of West Lake Sammamish Parkway to connect neighborhoods to the existing crosswalk serving Sunset Elementary. Construction Summer 2014. \$300,000.	Vangie Garcia, 425-452-6103 vgarcia@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Replacement – Ballpark: Replacing and/or rehabilitating sanitary sewer south of Lake Hills Blvd and between 151st Ave SE and Lk Hills Greenbelt. Predesign/Permitting 2016. \$400,000.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Replacement – Bogline: Replacing or rehabilitating existing sanitary sewer. Predesign/Permitting to begin 2014-15 with construction anticipated 2015. \$300,000.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov

Somerset/Sunset

Contact

Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail: Working with the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust to design a new trail from Factoria Blvd SE to the vicinity of 150th Ave SE. Includes lighting, crosswalks, urban design features and landscaping. 60 percent design to be completed in 2014. \$430,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/mts-greenway-trail.htm	Chris Masek, 425-452-4619 Cmasek@bellevuewa.gov
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West Bellevue

Contact

Downtown Park "Complete the Circle": Design and construction to complete circular promenade and canal, and to expand the parking lot off of 100th Ave NE. Design 2014. Construction 2015-2016. \$5 million.	Ken Kroeger, 425-452-4624 Kkroeger@bellevuewa.gov
Downtown Park Inspiration Playground: A partnership with the Rotary Club of Bellevue to build a new playground with universally accessible design. Design 2013-2014. Construction will depend on Rotary fundraising.	Pam Fehrman, 425-452-4326 Pfehrman@bellevuewa.gov
Downtown Transportation Plan: Preparing multi-modal transportation alternatives to ensure mobility for residents, employees and visitors through 2030. Transportation Commission recommended policy options in 2013 and prepared a project list in early 2014. Integrating policy and project recommendations with the Downtown Livability Initiative for Council consideration in 2015. \$300,000. www.bellevuewa.gov/downtown-transportation-plan-update.htm	Kevin McDonald, 425-452-4558 KmcDonald@bellevuewa.gov
Sewer Lake Line Replacement at Meydenbauer Bay: Replacing 1,200 feet of sewer lake line on shore between Meydenbauer Beach Park and SE Bellevue Place. Construction on hold until 2017 (tbd). On-going coordination with Parks. \$2.3 million.	Jay Hummel, 425-452-4160 Jhummel@bellevuewa.gov
Sewer Lake Line Condition Assessment, Phase 2—Lake Washington: Continuation of condition assessment of 14 miles of buried sewer pipe from Yarrow Point to Renton. 2014-2016. \$350,000.	Jay Hummel, 425-452-4160 Jhummel@bellevuewa.gov
Bellefield Pump Station Capacity Improvements: Replacing sewer pump station at SE 15th St and 112th Ave SE with larger station to meet increased future-projected sewer flows associated with growth in downtown area. Construction 2015. \$10 million.	Jay Hummel, 425-452-4160 Jhummel@bellevuewa.gov
East CBD Sewer Trunk Line Improvements: Replacing 2,200 feet of sewer pipe with larger diameter pipes serving east side of downtown to meet future-projected sewer flows associated with growth. Construction 2015. \$3 million.	Jay Hummel, 425-452-4160 Jhummel@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Repairs 2014, Phase 1: Repairing existing sewer system within neighborhood area. Construction late Summer/early Fall 2014. \$1.2 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
SE 16th St: 104th Ave SE to Bellevue Way: Adding new sidewalk on south side. Construction Summer 2014. \$275,000.	Vangie Garcia, 425-452-6103 vgarcia@bellevuewa.gov

Wilburton

Contact

NE 4th St Extension: 116th Ave NE to 120th Ave NE: Extending NE 4th St with five lanes, bike lanes and sidewalks, landscaping, storm drainage, street lighting, and a new traffic signal at 120th Ave NE. Project will be constructed in two phases. Phase I is from 116th to Eastside Rail Corridor. Construction through Fall 2014. Construction of Phase II, from Eastside Rail Corridor to 120th Ave, is anticipated in Spring 2015. \$31.1 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/ne-4th-extension.htm	Marina Arakelyan, 425-452-4632 Marakelyan@bellevuewa.gov
NE 6th St Extension: I-405 to 120th Ave NE: Extending NE 6th St as an HOV/transit-only facility from the I-405 interchange east over 116th Ave NE to 120th Ave NE, with four lanes and a non-motorized path. Pre-design complete. \$1 million (pre-design only). Coordinating with Sound Transit. www.bellevuewa.gov/ne-sixth-street-extension.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov
120th Ave NE – NE 4th St to NE 8th St (300 Block to 700 Block), Stage 1: Widening to five lanes with center-turn lane, bike lanes, curb, gutter, and sidewalk, and adding a traffic signal at NE 6th St. Construction complete September 2014. \$8.3 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/4th-and-120th-NE-corridor.htm	Steve Costa, 425-452-2845 Scosta@bellevuewa.gov

Wilburton Sewer Capacity Upgrade: Replacing 4,400 feet of sewer pipe with larger-diameter pipe to meet sewer capacity for re-development in Wilburton. Includes the following locations: SE 8th St between 112th Ave SE and 114th Ave; 114th Ave SE between SE 8th St and SE 1st St; SE 1st St to Main St along east side of I-405. Construction Spring 2015. \$9.4 million.	Brandon Cole, 425-452-4474 Bcole@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Repairs 2014, Phase 1: Repairing existing sewer system within neighborhood area. Construction late Summer/early Fall 2014. \$1.2 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Woodridge	
East Creek/Richards Creek Fish Passage Improvement & Stream Modification: Providing stable streambed control and channel and bank modifications. Construction Summer 2014. \$560,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
Richards Road Inlet Improvements: Improving an existing inlet and pressure reducing station at Richards Rd near SE 26th St. Construction Summer 2015. \$200,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
123rd Ave SE Sidewalk: SE 20th St to 123rd Pl SE: Adding sidewalk on east side of roadway. Working with residents to include traffic safety measures. Construction Spring 2015. \$1.2 million.	John Murphy, 425-452-6967 Jmurphy@bellevuewa.gov
Rock Creek	
147th Ln at NE 10th St Sewer Replacement Project: Replace existing sewer main in an existing swamp. Construction Summer 2014. \$400,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
Factoria	
Sanitary Sewer Repairs 2014, Phase 1: Repair sanitary sewer defects, multiple locations in neighborhood. Construction Summer 2014. \$1 million.	Stephen Noeske, 425-452-5271 Snoeske@bellevuewa.gov
Various Locations	
East Link Light Rail: Working collaboratively with Sound Transit to advance final design of the project from I-90 through the Bel-Red Corridor. Construction mid-2015. \$2.8 billion. www.bellevuewa.gov/light-rail.htm / www.soundtransit.org/eastlink	Kate March, 425-452-2055 KMarch@bellevuewa.gov
Bellevue Transit Master Plan: Developing a comprehensive 20-year look ahead to the type of transit system that will be required to meet transit needs through 2030. Plan complete Summer 2014. \$170,000.	Franz Loewenherz, 425-452-4077 Floewenherz@bellevuewa.gov
2014 Pavement Overlay Program: Paving work continues on the following streets: Coal Creek Pkwy, Lake Hills Connector, Lake Washington Blvd, Highland Drive, SE 63rd St. Complete October 2014. \$4.4 million. www.bellevuewa.gov/overlay.htm	Teresa Becker, 425-452-7942 Tbecker@bellevuewa.gov
2014 American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Upgrades: ADA Ramp upgrades and pavement overlay will begin in the Woodridge and Highland Drive areas, followed by other sites in south Bellevue. www.bellevuewa.gov/overlay.htm	Teresa Becker, 425-452-7942 Tbecker@bellevuewa.gov
2014 Utilities Overlay and Pavement Restoration: Minor Overlay and Pavement restoration associated with utility pipeline projects. Summer 2014. \$250,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
AC Water Main Replacement 2014: Replacing 1.5 miles of aging asbestos cement (AC) water main with ductile iron pipe. Construction Summer 2014. \$1.4 million.	Abe Santos, 425-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
PRV & Commercial Meter Vault Modifications 2014: Upgrading a control-valve vault, a PRV vault and two commercial water meter vaults for improved maintenance access. Construction Fall 2014. \$200,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
PRV Replacement 2014: Replacing aging pressure reducing valve stations to regulate water pressure in various neighborhoods. Construction Summer 2014. \$350,000.	Abe Santos, 425-452-6456 Asantos@bellevuewa.gov
SCATS Traffic Adaptive Signals, Phase 4: Monitors traffic entering intersections and adjusts signal timing in real time. 45 intersections comprise Phase 4, including the 156th Ave NE, NE 20th St, Bel-Red Rd and Bellevue Way SE corridors. It includes 26 new Flashing Yellow Arrow left turns. Installation starts October 2014. \$500,000.	Fred Liang, 425-452-5361 Fliang@bellevuewa.gov
Sanitary Sewer Trenchless Repair 2014: Repairing several sanitary sewer defects at various locations by trenchless method. Construction Summer 2014. \$200,000.	Vanaja S. Rajah, 425-452-4881 Vrajah@bellevuewa.gov
Commercial Water Meter Replacement – 2014 Phase 1: Replacing four aging water meters that no longer meet current standards at various commercial sites in Bellevue. Construction Summer 2014. \$153,000.	Dan Ross, 425-452-4362 Dross@bellevuewa.gov
2014 Guardrail Improvements: Installing new guardrail in two locations: At 120th Ave SE, north of Lake Washington Blvd SE; and at SE 38th St, west of West Lake Samm Pkwy SE. Construction Summer 2014. \$160,000.	Darek Jarzynski, 425-452-4277 Djarzynski@bellevuewa.gov

Tips for safe cycling in Bellevue

Like clockwork around this time of year, bicyclists seem to come out of the woodwork. With the warmer weather and longer days, riders don their helmets and get pedaling around the city's trails and streets. Here are some safety reminders for bicyclists and motorists:

- **Bicyclists:** Wear a bicycle helmet, required by King County regulation and Bellevue City Code, make yourself visible by wearing brightly colored clothing, use front and back lights – day and night – to increase visibility;
- When riding on the road, ride with the flow of traffic; riding on the sidewalk is permitted, but remember to provide audible signals when overtaking a pedestrian;
- If riding on the road, respect traffic signs, lights and road markings. You have the same rights and responsibilities as motor vehicles when riding in the road;
- **Motorists:** Slow down to a safe speed when approaching bicycles and keep a safe following distance; if you must pass, maintain your speed following passing; limit sounding your horn near bicyclists; watch for bicyclists when exiting your vehicle.
- Drivers should watch carefully for bicyclists when turning right or left.

With these rules of the road in mind, it's time to get moving. Plan your trip using the city's Bicycling in Bellevue map where you can find preferred routes that avoid major hills or locate streets that have bicycle lanes or have lower vehicle volumes. The map, as well as a map of bike lock locations and general information about biking in Bellevue is available online (www.chooseyourwaybellevue.org/bike).

If downtown Bellevue is your destination and you need a place to park your bike, look for a spot in your building or one of the approximately 125



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public bike racks scattered in the downtown grid.

Bike lanes and paths are among the improvements being made to the 120th Avenue Northeast, 124th Avenue Northeast and Northrup Way corridors. Recent improvements to a stretch of West Lake Sammamish Parkway included a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists, and the Eastgate gap of the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail—a major regional trail system—is currently in design.

The ped-bike plan can be found at www.bellevuewa.gov/pedbikeplan.htm.



Community Calendar

Strawberry Festival

June 28 & 29, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. & June 23, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Crossroads International Park
Entertainment, auto show, vendors, food and family fun. Presented by Eastside Heritage Center with support from the City of Bellevue www.bellevuestrawberryfestival.org

The Bellevue Collection Bellevue Family 4th

presented by PACCAR and Puget Sound

July 4, 2-10:40 p.m.
Bellevue 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 www.bellevuedowntown.org

Summer Outdoor Movies in the Park

July 1-Aug. 19; Tuesdays at dusk
Bellevue Downtown Park
10201 NE Fourth St.
Free movies* on a 40-foot screen-free popcorn, too!
July 1-Despicable Me 2 (PG)
July 8-Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (PG)
July 15-Epic (PG)
July 22-Mr. Peabody and Sherman (PG)
July 29-The Lego Movie (PG)
Aug 5-Gravity (PG)
Aug 12-The Secret Life of Walter Mitty (PG)
Aug 19-42 (PG)
*Titles subject to change without notice

Donations accepted for a different charity each week.
In case of rain, movies will be held at South Bellevue Community Center.
425-452-4240 or www.inome.com/summermovies

Live at Lunch Concert Series

July 8-September 11, noon-1:30 pm
Tuesdays through Thursdays
Free live music at various downtown sites.
425-453-1223 or www.bellevuedowntown.org

Weowna Park Hike

July 19, 10 a.m. to noon
Weowna Park
168th Ave. SE and SE 19th St.
Park Rangers lead the hike, approx. 3 miles. Free. No preregistration required, parking is limited. Bring water and wear sturdy shoes.
425-452-4195

Eli Rosenblatt Children's Program

July 25, 11 a.m. to noon
Robinswood Barn
2430 148th Ave. SE
A show filled with rhythm and goofy fun. Presented by Bellevue Friends of the Library and Bellevue Parks & Community Services. All ages family event. Free.
425-452-7688 or KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov

Arts and Crafts Fairs

July 25-27 (Hours vary)
Three art fairs all weekend throughout downtown.
Bellevue Arts Museum Arts Fair: www.bellevuearts.org or 425-519-0770
6th Street Fair: www.bellevuedowntown.org or 425-453-1223
Bellevue Festival of the Arts: www.bellevuefest.org or 206-363-2048

Pippi Longstocking & the Wayward Pirates

Aug. 15& 16 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 16 & 17 at 2 p.m.
Meydenbauer Theatre
11000 NE Sixth St.
The Bellevue Youth Theatre presents this fun story featuring the unconventional character from children's literature. Suitable for all ages. \$5/person; festival seating.
byt@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7155

Crossroads Water Spray Playground

Open daily through Labor Day, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Newly resurfaced and added pathways leading to fun features such as spitting frogs, spouting orcas and squirting clams. Free and for all ages and levels of physical ability.
425-452-6885

Canoe the Slough

Saturdays & Sundays* through Labor Day, 8:45 a.m. to noon
Enatai Beach Park
3519 108th Ave. SE
Park Rangers lead a three-hour canoe trip from Enatai Beach Park.
*No trips on Aug 2 & 3. Ages 5 and up only.
One adult must be present for every two children. \$16-\$18
Preregistration is required.
425-452-2565

Ranger Hikes, Discussions and Movies

Times and locations vary.
Explore local wildlife and natural history with ranger-led tours, discussions and nature movie events.
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 camps.
425-452-6885 or myparksandrecreation.com

FRESH PRODUCE STANDS

Cha Family Farm Fresh Produce Stand

15550 156th Ave SE
Open through October
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Tuesday through Sunday. Hours subject to change. Please call to verify.
425-260-2266

Mercer Slough Blueberry Farm

2380 Bellevue Way SE
Hours vary.
425-644-5449 or 425-644-5499

Larsen Lake Blueberry Farm

700 148th Ave. SE
Open through October
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tues - Sun
Hours subject to change. Please call to verify.

Lake Hills Greenbelt

425-260-2266
For more info, call Bellevue Parks & CS, 425-452-2740

RENTALS

Picnic Shelter Reservations

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



Enjoy the variety of three art fairs this coming July 25-27 in downtown Bellevue.

National Night Out Against Crime

Aug. 5, noon-6 p.m.
Crossroads Farmer's Market at Crossroads Shopping Center Parking Lot
15600 NE 8th Street
A free community event with games and prizes for the kids. Meet your local police officers and neighbors and learn how to organize your neighborhood to fight crime.
425-452-2891

Crossroads Movies in the Park

August 7-28; Thursdays at dusk
Crossroads Park
16140 NE 8th Street
Free movies* on a 40-foot screen, with free popcorn, too.
Aug. 7 - Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)

Aug. 14 - Jack the Giant Slayer (PG13)
Aug. 21 - Monsters University (G)
Aug. 28 - Frozen (PG)

In case of rain, event will be cancelled.

*Titles subject to change without notice.

425-452-4240

Eastside Fuchsia Society Plant Show and Sale

Aug. 16 & 17, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Bellevue Botanical Garden
12001 Main St.
Featuring a great selection of plants from Eastside gardeners.
425-452-2750 or www.bellevuebotanical.org

Cycle the WAVE

Sept. 14
Cyclists can choose from a variety of routes/distances that span Bellevue, South King County, Renton and Newcastle. 100 percent of net proceeds benefit domestic violence prevention programs. Cosponsored by Bellevue Parks & Community Services.
www.cyclethewave.org

SEASONAL

Beach Park Lifeguards

Meydenbauer and Newcastle: June 21- Sept. 1: noon-7 p.m.
Chism, Clyde, Enatai and Chesterfield: June 28-Aug. 24, noon to 7 p.m. (Chesterfield will be guarded from 2 to 5 p.m. only, and will not open on days of inclement weather.)
425-452-4444

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450 110th Ave. NE/P.O. Box 90012
Bellevue, WA 98009-9012

Service First (general information): 452-6800

City of Bellevue website: www.bellevuewa.gov

City Council Office: 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.

East Bellevue Community Council Meetings

East Bellevue Community Council: 1st Tuesday each month, 6:30 p.m.
Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.

Board & Commission Meetings

Call 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, 6:30 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: 1st and 3rd 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 (all city phone numbers use the 425 area code)

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

City Manager: 452-7228

Community Centers

Crossroads: 452-4874

Highland: 452-7686

North Bellevue: 452-7681

South Bellevue: 452-4240

East Bellevue Community Council: 452-6466

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

Simple permits, inspection requests: MyBuildingPermit.com

Application and inspection status: MyBuildingPermit.com

Code Compliance: 452-4570

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

Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd.

Fire & Emergency Medical

Emergency Only: 911

Business and Information: 452-6892

Inspection/Fire prevention: 452-6872

Human Resources: 452-6838

Job Line: 452-7822 or www.bellevuewa.gov

Information Technology: 452-4626

Marina Hotline: 452-4883

Neighborhood Mediation Program: 452-4091

Neighborhood Outreach: 452-6836

Parks & Community Services

Aging Services: 452-4200

Parks Information: 452-6885

Recreation Registration: 452-6885

Youth Sports: 452-6885

Ballfields: 452-6914

Picnics/Rentals: 452-6914

Park Maintenance: 452-6855

Human Services: 452-6884

Cultural Diversity: 452-7886

Probation: 452-6956

Recreation & Special Services Division: 452-6885

Planning & Community Development: 452-7892

Police

Crossroads Station: 452-2891

Factoria Station: 452-2880

Emergency Only: 911

Complaints and Information: 452-6917

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

Traffic Safety/Enforcement: 452-7658

Transportation

Administration/Information: 452-6856

Utilities

Administration/Information: 452-6932

Billing/Customer Service: 452-6973

Water, Sewer, Street, & Surface Water Maintenance and Emergency: 452-7840

Volunteering: 452-5375

Other Numbers (Not city government)

King County Animal Control: 206-296-PETS

Allied Waste/Rabanco: 425-452-4762 (recycling, yard debris, garbage)

Metro Transit/Sound Transit: 206-553-3000

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Canvassing door-to-door for pets



Working in collaboration with the City of Bellevue, representatives from Regional Animal Services of King County are going door-to-door in Bellevue to educate citizens on the benefits and requirements for licensing their pets.

With a license, your pet has a better chance of being reunited with you if they're lost, and he or she might even get a free ride home. Licensing fees also support local animal shelters, response for dangerous or nuisance animals and investigations of animal cruelty or neglect.

The canvassing will run on weekends only, through October

26, in the following neighborhoods:

- Bellevue Municipal Golf Course, between 140th Avenue Northeast and 148th Avenue Northeast;
- Tam O'Shanter Golf and Country Club area covering streets off of West Lake Sammamish Parkway Northeast;
- Crossroads area between 156th Avenue Northeast to 164th Avenue Northeast and Northeast Eighth Street to Southeast 16th Street;
- Vasa Park area from Southeast 24th Street to I-90 and 161st Avenue Southeast to 180th Avenue Southeast; and
- Newport Hills, Somerset and Lakemont.

Canvassers can issue temporary licenses to unlicensed pets, which allow 30 days for the purchase of permanent tags.

"The city, county and neighborhoods are working hand-in-hand to ensure we are getting the best combination of animal welfare, community safety and economic value possible," said Joyce Nichols, of the Bellevue City Manager's Office. "But to accomplish this, we need compliance with existing rules and regulations relating to pet safety and licensing."

King County pet license canvassers are easily recognized by county name badges, logo shirts, business cards and pet licensing documents.

Pet licenses are available at City Hall, Mini-City Hall at Crossroads, all QFCs in Bellevue or online at www.kingcounty.gov. Any major concerns or issues should be directed to Sandy Jones, King County pet license canvassing coordinator (206-205-6167 or sandy.jones@kingcounty.gov).



**Love your pet?
License your pet!**

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