

Does Your Neighborhood Have an Organized Association or Group?



If you do, the City wants to make sure we have up-to-date contact information so we can keep you informed of City projects and events. The City has no formal requirements to form a

neighborhood association or community club. All you need is the willingness of neighbors to organize and provide contact information. It's a great way to have neighborhood communication, events and keep up-to-date on neighborhood issues.

All neighborhood associations and community clubs should submit the registration form annually: http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Neighborhoods/mc325A_Neighborhood_Assoc_Registration_form.pdf. Please be sure that your association's information is up-to-date! By submitting this form, your group will be included on the City webpage so that residents in your area will know how to connect with you.

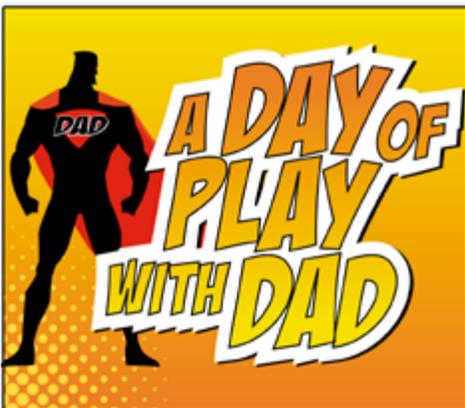
And new this year...

City recognized Neighborhood Associations and Community Clubs are invited to use one of our wonderful indoor parks facilities once per year, with no fee. Facilities use can be booked up to 60 days prior to an event. There is no room rental fee, but if use is after hours, a room monitor will be required. This is a great chance for a community gathering during the evening or rainy time of year.

But I don't think my neighborhood has an association or community club...

If you and a group of neighbors are interested in organizing a neighborhood association, your neighborhood liaison can assist you. Our staff can provide step-by-step guidance, help with an initial mailing, kick-off event and staff resources. Just give us a call!

For more information on organizing a neighborhood association, registering your current association, or booking your complimentary parks facility, contact Neighborhood Outreach, 425-452-6836 or neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov.



A Day of Play with Dad

Saturday, June 17th 8:30am-12pm | South Bellevue Community Center

Celebrate Father's Day by inviting dad to a delicious pancake breakfast and then challenge him to fun family adventures.

Ascend the climbing wall, scale the vertical

play pen at the Bellevue Challenge Course, play disc golf, and finish the morning with a scavenger

hunt through Eastgate Park. Moms and siblings are welcome too. \$8.00/person, free for age 3 and under. Registration is required. Register at: <http://parksreg.cityofbellevue.org> (Course #117948) #SBCCsuperdadt South Bellevue Community Center

For more information, please call 425-452-4240 or email sbcc@bellevuewa.gov

Eastside men's shelter update, possible action on June 5



The City Council could take action on siting the proposed Eastside men's shelter and supportive housing project during its June 5 meeting. The briefing is expected to take place

during the council's regularly scheduled study session between 6 and 8pm. The meeting is open to the public and will be shown live via Bellevue Television on cable channel 21 and streamed online at www.BellevueWA.gov

The June 5 meeting is direct follow-up to the council's April 17 discussion on the proposal. At that time, councilmembers voted 4-to-3 to give preliminary approval on siting the proposed Eastside men's shelter and supportive housing project at the Eastgate Public Health Center site, located at 14350 SE Eastgate Way, while considering the viability of two other sites. These sites include:

- Lincoln Center, 515 116th Ave. NE: a city-owned facility where a portion of the southern office building is the current interim site for the Eastside Winter Shelter.
- Sound Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility: East, located along 120th Avenue Northeast and just north of the future Spring Boulevard, in the BelRed area. A large portion of the site is required for the maintenance facility, with future transit-oriented development planned for the location after construction of the facility is complete and any remaining property is determined to be surplus.

More details about the proposed shelter and supportive housing project are available on the <http://cityofbellevue.hosted.civillive.com/city-government/departments/community-services/human-services/homelessness-in-bellevue/permanent-mens-shelter/>. Residents are encouraged to share their comments by sending an email to: EastsideMensShelter@bellevuewa.gov.

Downtown Park Grand Opening Celebrates Completed Circle and New Playground

Wednesday, June 28, 3-6pm

Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th St, Bellevue

The southern half of Bellevue's iconic Downtown Park will reopen June 28 following construction of both the last segment of the circular promenade and a play area for people of all abilities. A community celebration at the park



will feature a ribbon cutting at 3:30pm, June 28 along with activities, live music and food trucks.

“Finishing the circle completes the 35-year vision of beloved Downtown Park,” said Mayor John Stokes. “We invite you to come to the grand opening to enjoy the finished walkway and to play in the universally accessible playground.”

In addition to completing the circular canal and tree-lined promenade, the work included creation of a “grand entrance” and water feature at the south end of the park.

The play area was expanded to include an “Inspiration Playground” through a partnership with the Bellevue Rotary. The new space includes tactile sculptures that encourage touching and climbing and an interactive music plaza that allows users to create and respond to sound.

Featuring a central “Whimsy Plaza” with a fanciful tree sculpture, the playground will be open to everyone with unique play opportunities for people with developmental and physical disabilities.

Wednesday, June 14, 6-7pm
Bellevue City Hall Room 1E-112,
450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue

If a 9-week introduction to the inner workings of City government sounds like it's for you, don't miss this information meeting to learn more about the Bellevue Essentials program. Bellevue Essentials is designed for emerging community leaders and those active in the neighborhoods are encouraged to apply.

A program overview will be followed by a panel of past graduates who will share their experiences and the evening will conclude with a question and answer session with program coordinator, Julie Ellenhorn and the panel.

35 exceptional individuals will be selected to learn, engage and participate hands-on with the current challenges and opportunities that Bellevue faces. If you or someone you know wants to be part of the 2017-18 class, the brochure and application can be found at <http://www.bellevuewa.gov/bellevue-essentials.htm>. For more information or to request a packet, contact Julie Ellenhorn at 425-452-5372 or jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov.



Levy Project Updates

First Neighborhood Levy Project to Break Ground in Crossroads

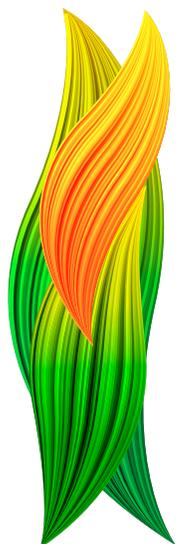
The first project funded by the voter-approved Neighborhood

Safety, Connectivity and Congestion levy – set to break ground this month – is really 360 mini-projects in one.

That's how many locations are scheduled for upgrades over the next few months in the Crossroads area with new sidewalk sections. It's the equivalent of about 1.75 miles of six-foot wide sidewalk.

The \$826,780 construction contract will pay for fixes to damage caused by tree roots, unevenness caused by erosion and other impacts. In addition to a better walking surface for pedestrians, the work ensures that sidewalks comply with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Crossroads is just one of 38 levy-funded transportation projects identified by the City



Council that are scheduled to begin construction in 2017 and 2018. To keep on schedule and realize efficiencies, the city's Transportation Department is adding staff and grouping similar projects.

Revenue from the Neighborhood levy will be used to reduce a lengthy backlog of work in several categories: projects to reduce neighborhood congestion, neighborhood safety projects, new bike facilities, new and enhanced sidewalks and trails, and technology for safety and traffic management.

The Neighborhood levy was one of two property tax measures endorsed by Bellevue voters last November. The other was a Fire Facilities levy. The Neighborhood levy, approved by 54 percent of voters, will raise \$140 million over 20 years (15 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value), or \$7 million per year. In addition to construction work, revenue from the levy will pay for related project costs such as planning, design, acquisition and public outreach.

Wilburton Neighborhood Levy Project will focus on Sidewalks

Because of nearby schools and parks in the area, neighborhood safety and connectivity is a major transportation goal. City engineers are working on the design of new sidewalks at three locations in the Wilburton Neighborhood.

The following roadways are planned for sidewalk improvements:

- **128th Avenue: NE 2nd Street - SE 6th Place:** Six-foot wide sidewalk on the west side.
- **NE 2nd Street: 124th Avenue NE - 128th Avenue NE:** Six-foot wide sidewalk on the north side
- **118th Avenue SE: SE 3rd Place – Main Street:** Six-foot wide sidewalk on the east side
- **128th Avenue NE and NE 2nd Street:** Traffic calming physical measures will be added

Project design will continue until this fall. Construction is anticipated to begin in early 2018.

The project is funded by the Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion levy, the Neighborhood Sidewalk Program, Neighborhood Traffic Program and the Major Maintenance Program.



TRAFFIC CORNER

City Kicks Off Meydenbauer Bay Park Construction

The city recently broke ground on the long-awaited Meydenbauer Bay Park, which will improve the connection between Bellevue's bustling downtown and its scenic Lake Washington waterfront.

With a quarter mile of waterfront, the 10-acre park considerably expands the current Meydenbauer Beach Park. A large public swimming beach, pedestrian pier, historic whaling building and new beach house will make the park a destination for residents and visitors.

"This project is a testament to the patience and tenacity of city leaders who wouldn't give up on their dream of increasing waterfront access and connections to the heart of our city," said Mayor John Stokes.

In 1987, Bellevue officials made acquisition of Meydenbauer Bay waterfront a major focus of the city's Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan. Between 1992 and 2007, the city acquired 12 properties along the bay to add to the land that King County transferred to Bellevue when the city was incorporated in 1953. The city purchased the Bellevue Marina in 1992.

In 2007, the City Council appointed a 13-member steering committee representing various neighborhoods and citywide interests to engage with staff and the public through the long-range planning process. A master plan was adopted in 2010.

Key elements of the project include:

- Relocation and expansion of the public swimming beach;
- Construction of a new beach house with restrooms and showers;
- A curved pedestrian pier and hand-carry boat launch;

- Pedestrian, pathways and picnic areas;
- Remodeling the historic Whaling Building to include accessible restrooms, a small meeting room and boat rentals.
- Shoreline restoration to improve ecological functions; and
- Parking and overlooks.

Meydenbauer Bay, the site of a small village in the early 1900s, has a rich history. From 1914 to 1952, the inlet was the off-season home to a whaling fleet that plied Puget Sound.

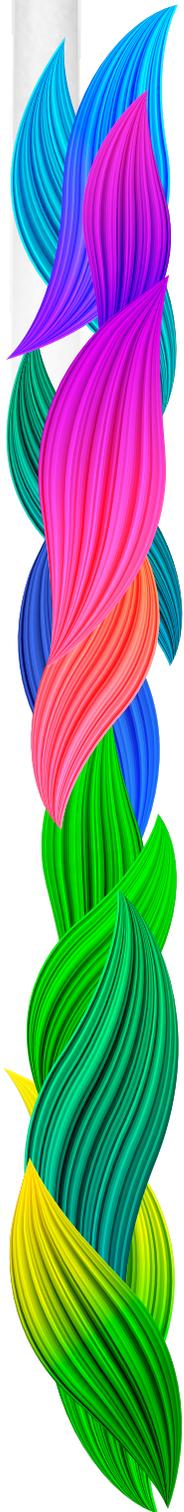
The new park responds to the community's long-held interest in additional public water access. Despite Bellevue's 14 miles of shoreline along Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish, total shoreline in public ownership is limited to approximately 1.6 miles, or 12 percent, with the majority along Lake Washington.

IMCO General Construction is working primarily west and northwest of 99th Avenue Northeast to connect with Meydenbauer Beach Park and expand the park space between Lake Washington Boulevard and the Meydenbauer Bay shoreline. Meydenbauer Beach Park will be closed during the project, and the Bellevue Marina will remain open. Construction is expected to be completed in late fall 2018.

Construction continues in June for a number of paving and roadway projects. The following locations serve a high volume of traffic so, if possible, **use an alternate route**, especially on 140th Avenue NE and 164th Avenue NE:

Lane or full road closures:

- **Northup Way Connection to SR 520 Trail:** Work continues on sidewalks, bike lanes and intersection projects east of I-405. Continue



to expect construction delay from 7am-4pm, Monday through Friday.



- **120th Ave NE, Stage 2: NE 8th St to NE 12th St:** Work continues on the retaining walls on the west side of the roadway. Please watch for electronic message boards indicating when work will need to be done in the NE 8th Street and 120th Avenue NE intersection to relocate the existing U-turn.
- **120th Ave NE, Stage 3: NE 12th St to NE 16th St:** Construction will continue on this project until the fall.
- **140th Avenue NE** between NE 8th Street and NE 24th Street will have roadway repaving work.
- **164th Avenue NE** between NE 8th Street and Northup Way will have roadway repaving work.

Besides City of Bellevue projects, here are some construction impacts related to East Link light rail:

South Bellevue

- **112th Ave SE south of Main St:** Intermittent lane and sidewalk closures to haul dirt from the south portal tunnel excavation project and for demolition of condos.
- **Bellevue Way:** Lane closures for utility work; sidewalk closure on eastside of Bellevue Way south of the closed Park and Ride up the “Wye” at 112th Ave SE. Weekend closures will occur, as well.
- **SE 4th Street:** Permanently closed.

Central Bellevue

- **Lane closures:** Expect lane closures on 110th Ave NE, NE 6th St., and 112th Ave. SE starting June. Full closure of a portion of 110th Ave NE for 9 months.
- **NE 2nd Pl from 110th Ave NE to 111th Ave NE:** Closed through 2018 for construction staging.

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- **Lane closures:** Expect lane closures on NE 20th Street, 130th Ave. NE, 132nd Ave NE, 136th Place NE, NE Spring Blvd. this month.

Please note: This list does not include the current lane closures due to private development projects being constructed in downtown Bellevue. For information about those projects, please refer to: www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Development%20Services/lu_MajorProjects.pdf

Construction Information Tools: To stay up-to-date about where construction has lane or full road closures, please use the following information tools:

- Electronic Message boards: Gives dates or times of upcoming lane or road closures.
- Real-time Traffic Map & Cameras: www.bellevuewa.gov/trafficmap
- Traffic Advisories webpage: www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic_advisories.htm
- Follow the Transportation Department on Twitter: @BvueTrans
- Capital Project (Interactive) Map: www.bellevuewa.gov/capital-projects-map.htm
- Sign up for email alerts on project webpages: www.bellevuewa.gov/transportation.htm



Boards and Commissions Meetings

(All meetings are in City Hall unless otherwise noted. Agendas are subject to change. You may confirm with Neighborhood Outreach the day before or day of the meeting. Or consult the City web pages listed below to download agendas.)

Bellevue Diversity Advisory Network

(6pm, Bellevue City Hall) Last Tuesday of each month
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/bdan.htm>

East Bellevue Community Council (6:30pm, Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd) First Tuesday of each month
<http://bellevuewa.gov/ebcc.htm>

Arts Commission

(4:30pm, 1E-109) First Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/arts_comm.htm

Environmental Services Commission

(6:30pm, 1E-113) First Thursday of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/environ_serv_comm.htm

Planning Commission (6:30pm, 1E-113) Second and fourth Wednesday of each month

http://bellevuewa.gov/planning_commission.htm

Transportation Commission

(6:30pm, 1E-113) Second Thursday of the month of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/trans_comm.htm

Human Services Commission

(6pm, 1E-113) First and third Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/human_serv_comm.htm

LEOFF 1 Disability Board

(6pm, Room 1E-118) First Tuesday of each month
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/leoff-1-disability-board.htm>

Library Board

(5pm, Lake Hills, Bellevue or Newport Way Library) The third Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/library_board.htm

Parks & Community Services Board

(6pm, 1E-113) Second Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/parks_board.htm

Network on Aging

(8:30am, 1E-113) First Thursday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm

Special Events Committee

(8:30am, 1E-112) Second Thursday of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/special_events_committee.htm

Youth Link Board

(6pm, 1E-120) Second Wednesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/youth_link_board.htm

Bellevue's Neighborhood Outreach Office offers a variety of programs and partnerships for neighborhood leaders and active residents. To learn more about citizen involvement opportunities and programs to enhance neighborhoods, please visit our website at <http://www.bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood-outreach.htm> or call 425-452-6836 or email: neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov

City Council <https://bellevue.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Day	Scheduled Meeting(s)	Location	Public Comment Opportunity
1st and 3rd Mondays except in August and December	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications
2nd and 4th Mondays except in August and December	6-10pm, Extended Study Session	Council Conference Room	6pm, Oral Communications
August - first Monday only	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications
December - first and second Mondays only	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications