

# neighborhood news



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Bellevue neighborhoods

## Bellevue Essentials

### Everything You've Always Wanted To Know About Bellevue

*Deadline August 1,  
9-Week Course begins September 27*

Bellevue Essentials is now recruiting the Class of 2017. Bellevue Essentials is a 9-week introduction to the inner workings of City government. 35 exceptional individuals will be selected to learn, engage and participate hands-on with the current challenges and opportunities Bellevue faces.

If you have a desire to deepen your knowledge of Bellevue city government and your own commitment to civic engagement, apply to be part of the 2017 class. Brochures and applications can be found at <https://planning.bellevuewa.gov/community-development/neighborhoods/classes-and-events/bellevue-essentials>. For more information, contact Julie Ellenhorn at 425-452-5372 or [jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov).



## Online Survey about Getting Around Bellevue

*Now through July 14*

When you're traveling around Bellevue, where do you get information about the best route? **Please tell us in an online survey, and we'll work to improve communications regarding road construction, detours and traffic incidents.**

Bellevue is experiencing a heightened level of public and private construction. East Link light rail construction, the Spring District development and downtown projects are in full swing, often causing travel disruptions and delays.

The survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/accessbellevue>, available through Friday, July 14, 5pm seeks feedback on how commuters coming to and from Bellevue get and prefer to receive traveler information. The survey explores use of and satisfaction with city communications tools, such as smartphone apps and social media, to push out traveler information for the Bellevue area.

Responses will help to inform the city on how it can improve availability, accuracy and timeliness of traveler information. Results from the survey will also help guide the development of the city's Intelligent Transportation Systems master plan, which will identify new technologies and systems to provide improved traveler information.

Responses to the survey are anonymous; however, respondents may indicate interest in participating in a focus group to be led by the city's Transportation Engineering Division by submitting an email and/or phone number.

The survey is a strategy that supports the Access Bellevue initiative <https://transportation.bellevuewa.gov/projects/east-link-light-rail/access-bellevue/>, which is a collaborative communications effort to keep the public informed about East Link light rail and surrounding construction occurring in Bellevue.

## Opening on Arts Commission

*Applications Due: July 14, 5pm*

The City Council is seeking candidates for a vacancy on Bellevue's Arts Commission. You can apply online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ArtCommission>

Made up of volunteers and appointed by the mayor with City Council concurrence, Bellevue's board and commission members serve four-year terms, offering their time and expertise to help shape Bellevue's future. Bellevue boards and commissions advise the council and conduct regularly scheduled public meetings.

The Arts Commission advises and makes recommendations to the council on matters of art with the goal of enhancing the cultural experience and raising the art consciousness of Bellevue. The commission advises on the city's Public Art Program, directs funding to arts organizations working in Bellevue and helps with cultural planning. The commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m.

Applicants must be residents of Bellevue. Residents of newly annexed areas are

particularly encouraged to apply. The City of Bellevue values diversity.

Community Service Applications can also be picked up from the City Clerk's Office, the Service First desk at City Hall, the Bellevue Regional Library, the Lake Hills Library, or Mini City Hall at Crossroads Shopping Center. A faxed copy may be requested by calling 425-452-6806.

Applications must be received by the City Clerk on or before 5 pm, July 14. In addition to the online form, applications may be submitted by any of the below listed options:

Hand delivered: City Clerk's Office, 450 110th Ave. NE

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 90012, Bellevue, Washington, 98009-9012

Fax: 425-452-5247

Email: [kroberts@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kroberts@bellevuewa.gov)

If additional information is desired about the role and responsibilities of this commission, please call Deputy City Clerk Karin Roberts at 425-452-6806.

## Bellevue College Community Conversations

*Wednesday, July 19, 7-8pm*

*Bellevue College Room L100,  
3000 Landerholm Circle SE, Bellevue*

Join Bellevue College Vice President Ray White to learn what's happening on Bellevue college campus, share your comments, and ask questions about growth, events, programs and more.

These informal conversations are designed to improve communication and create connections with the surrounding residential and business communities. There is no set agenda for the sessions, just open Q&A. We will begin in L Building lobby and may visit other sites or tour campus as appropriate. Parking is free in the evening. For more information, please contact Divya Nair at 425-564-5669 or email

[divya.nair@bellevuecollege.edu](mailto:divya.nair@bellevuecollege.edu)



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## First Levy Projects Includes New Bike Facilities and Improved Sidewalks

The voter-approved Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion levy is helping achieve improved walking and biking conditions three areas of the city this month.



In June, work was done to make sidewalk improvements throughout the Chevy Chase Neighborhood. Because it is the first project to be

finished using levy funds, the City is celebrating this major milestone with the Chevy Chase Community early this month.

By the end of the month, a pavement overlay project will add approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile of new bike lanes on SE Newport Way between SE 42nd Place and Lakemont Boulevard and on Village Park Drive between Lakemont Boulevard and 179th Avenue SE, due to levy funding. This will be a welcome safety addition to bicyclists in these neighborhoods.

## Construction Projects Update

Construction continues in July for a number of paving and roadway projects; however, one major one will be complete later this month — Northup Way Corridor. Stay tuned for a City event acknowledging this milestone.

Here are roadways affected by construction this month:

### Lane or full road closures:

- **Village Park Drive, between Lakemont Boulevard to 179th Avenue SE:** On July 6th, roadway grinding and repairs will begin, followed by paving and roadway striping the week of July 10 – 14. Bike lanes will be marked between SE 42nd Place and Lakemont Boulevard in both directions.
- **108th Avenue SE, between Bellevue Way to Main Street:** ADA curb ramp repairs will start in early July on 108th. In late July into August, the pavement overlay will replace the existing speed humps, install a new raised crosswalk near SE 3rd Street, and install “Sharrows,” which are shared bicycle legends on the roadway.
- **Northup Way Connection to SR 520 Trail:** Work this month will include roadway markings and rapid-flashing crosswalk signal activation. Expect construction delay from 7 am – 4 pm, Monday through Friday.
- **120th Ave NE, Stage 2: NE 8th St to NE 12th St:** Work will continue on the retaining walls on the west side of the roadway.
- **120th Ave NE, Stage 3: NE 12th St to NE 16th St:** Construction will continue until August.



## East Link Light Rail:

### South Bellevue

- Bellevue Way: Intermittent weekend lane closures through November.
- 112th Ave SE south of Main St: Intermittent lane and sidewalk closures.
- SE 4th Street/112th Ave SE: Permanently closed.

### Central Bellevue

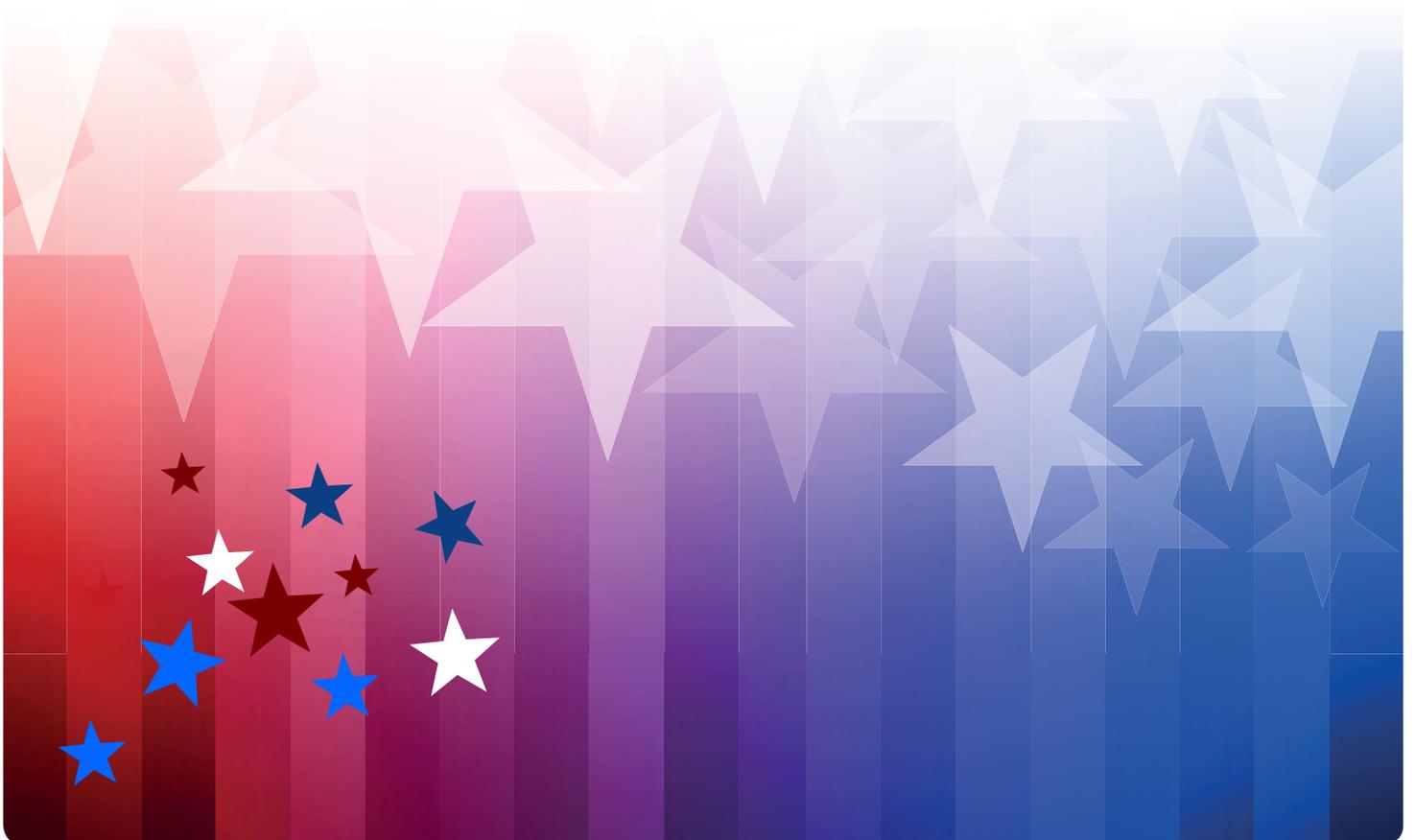
- Lane closures: Expect lane closures on 110th Ave NE, NE 6th St., and 112th Ave. SE starting June. Expect full closure of a portion of 110th Ave NE for 9 months.
- 114th Avenue NE cul-de-sac closed for approximately 2 years. Bicycle detour in place.
- NE 2nd Pl from 110th Ave NE to 111th Ave NE: Closed through 2018.

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- Lane closures: Lane closures on NE 20th Street, 130th Ave. NE, 132nd Ave NE, 136th Place NE, NE Spring Blvd.p

**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](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/trafficmap)
- Traffic Advisories webpage: [www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic\\_advisories.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/traffic_advisories.htm)
- Follow the Transportation Department on Twitter: @BvueTrans
- Capital Project (Interactive) Map: [www.bellevuewa.gov/capital-projects-map.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/capital-projects-map.htm)
- Sign up for email alerts on project webpages: [www.bellevuewa.gov/transportation.htm](http://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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](mailto: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   |

