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Great Neighborhoods

Listening Session

October 10 and 13, 2018

- 1. Welcome & Introductions**
- 2. Ice-breaker**
- 3. Presentation**
- 4. Facilitated Discussions**
- 5. What was said**
- 6. Closing/What's Next**



GREAT NEIGHBORHOODS

NORTHEAST BELLEVUE

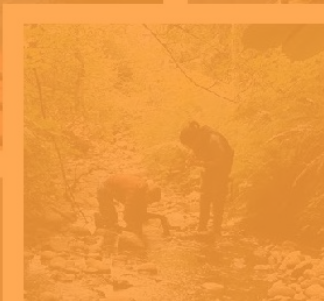
Presentation Topics

- 1. What is this Program?**
- 2. What should I know about the Plans?**
- 3. Why is it important for my neighborhood?**
- 4. How we get there**
- 5. What we have done and heard so far**
- 6. How to continue the conversation and engage further**

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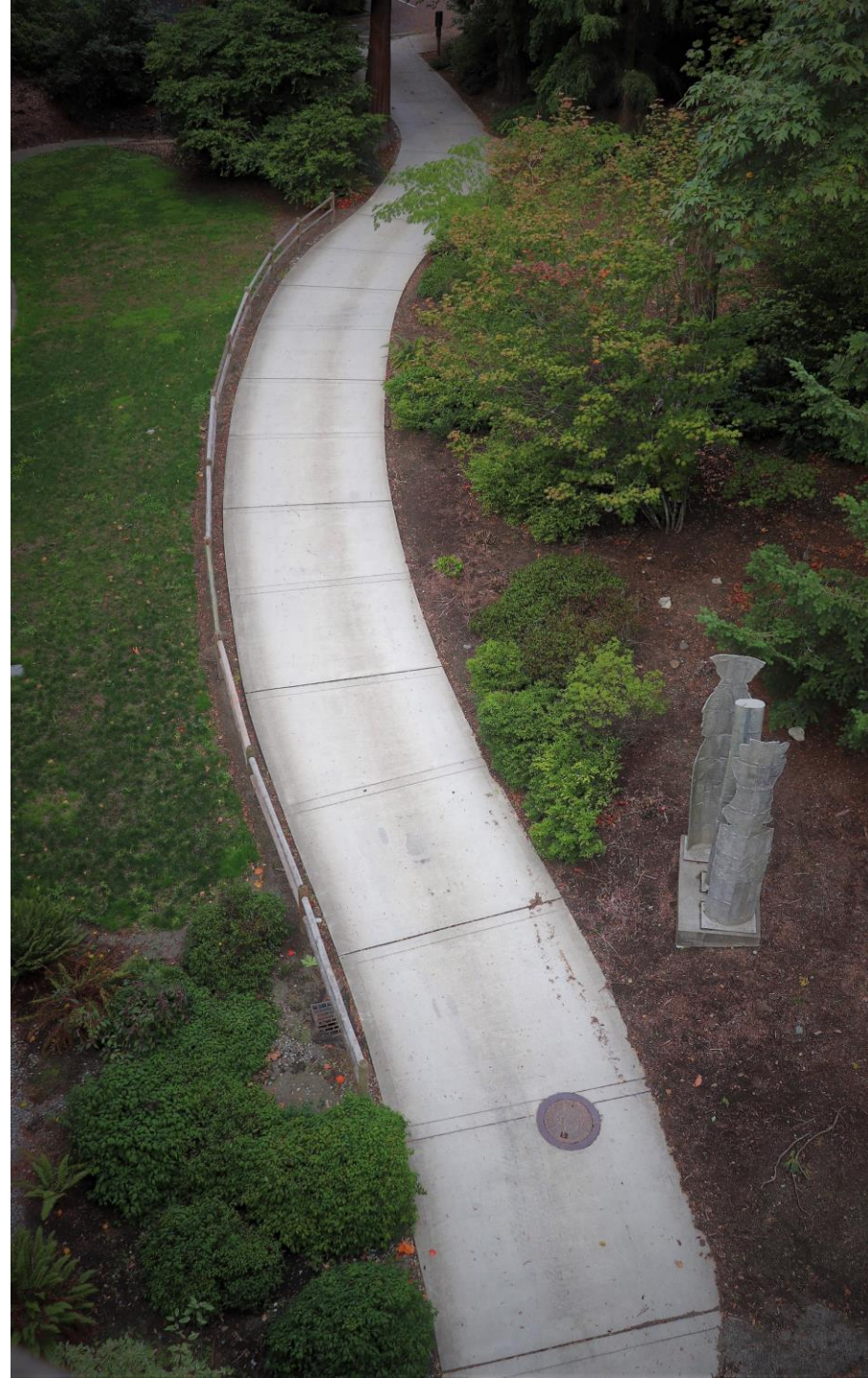
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WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM?



Neighborhood Area Planning Program

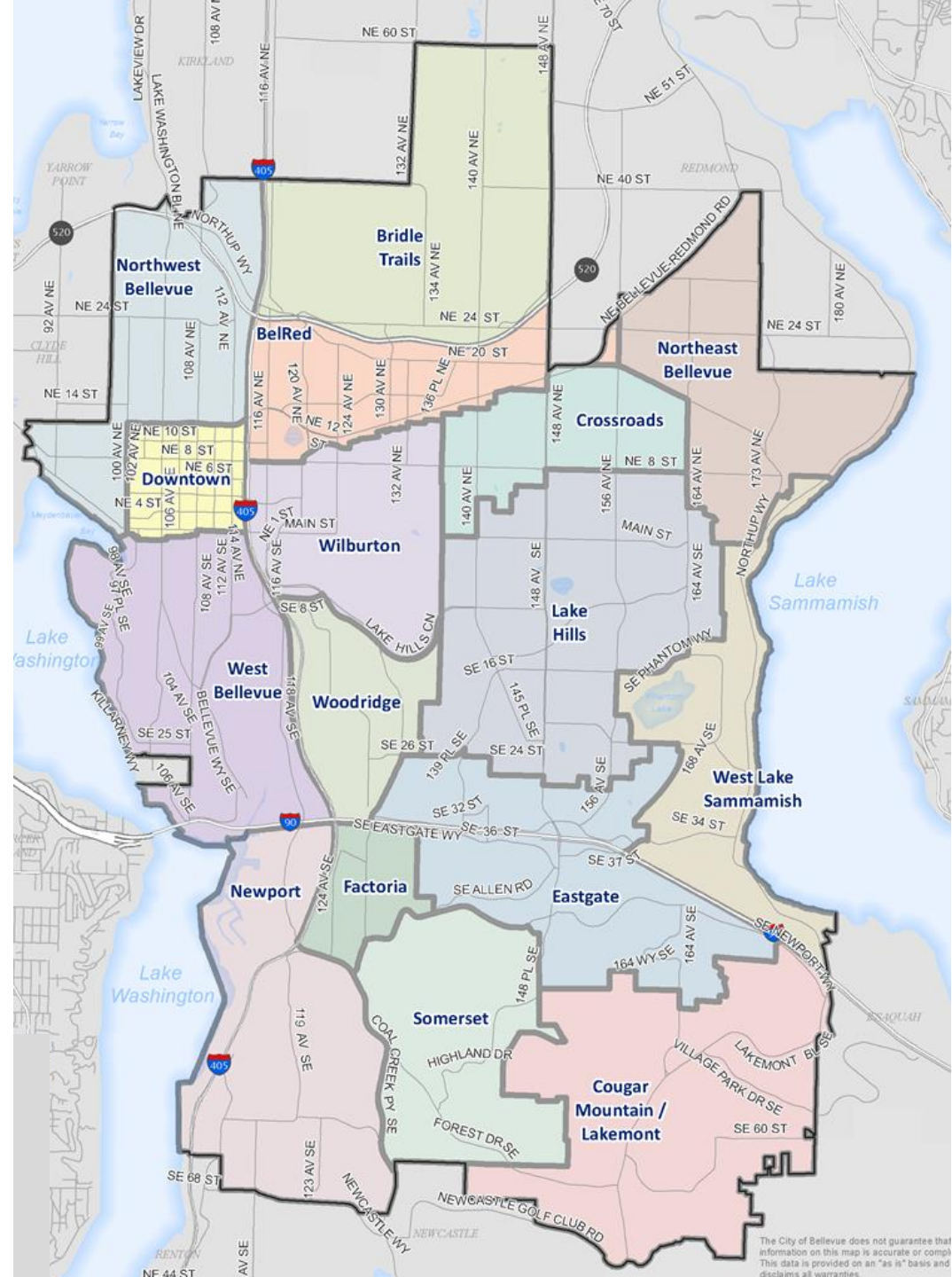
- **City-wide program kicked-off by City Council in August 2018 to update existing Plans**
- **Based on Comprehensive Plan**
- **Strategic, action-focused**
- **Ground-up community process**
- **Two neighborhoods per year**



16 Bellevue Neighborhoods

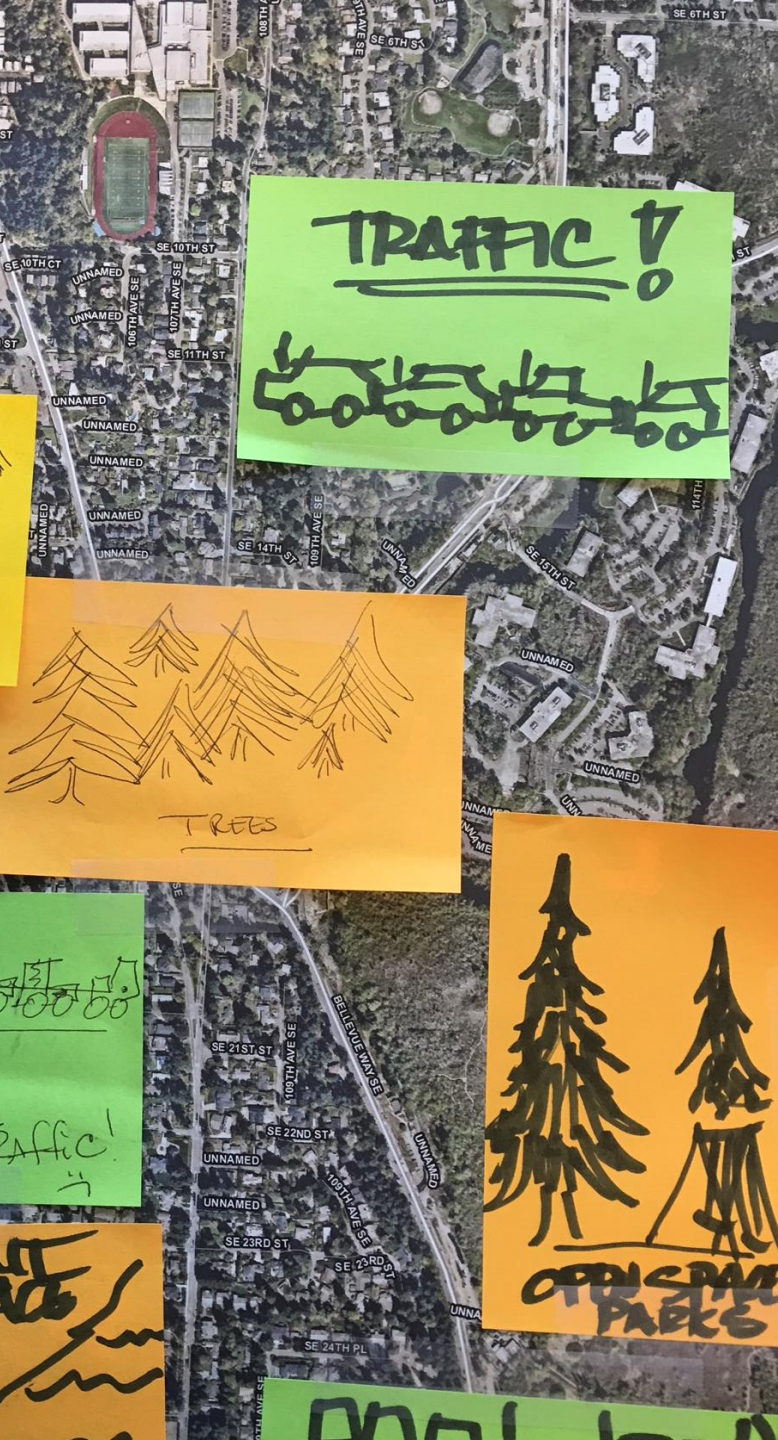
BELLEVUE IS A COMMUNITY OF DIVERSE AND VIBRANT NEIGHBORHOODS.

Bellevue residents live in a variety of distinctive, safe and attractive neighborhoods that provide amenities and opportunities for a high quality of life. The strong connections among neighbors contribute to these qualities and the ability of neighborhoods to respond to change.





WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT THIS PLAN?



What should I know about the Plan?

Each neighborhood will partner with the City to update the existing Plan

The Plans are issue- and action-focused, meaning the top priorities of the community will be identified and further analyzed for the most appropriate strategies and actions

What it is and is not

A neighborhood area plan does

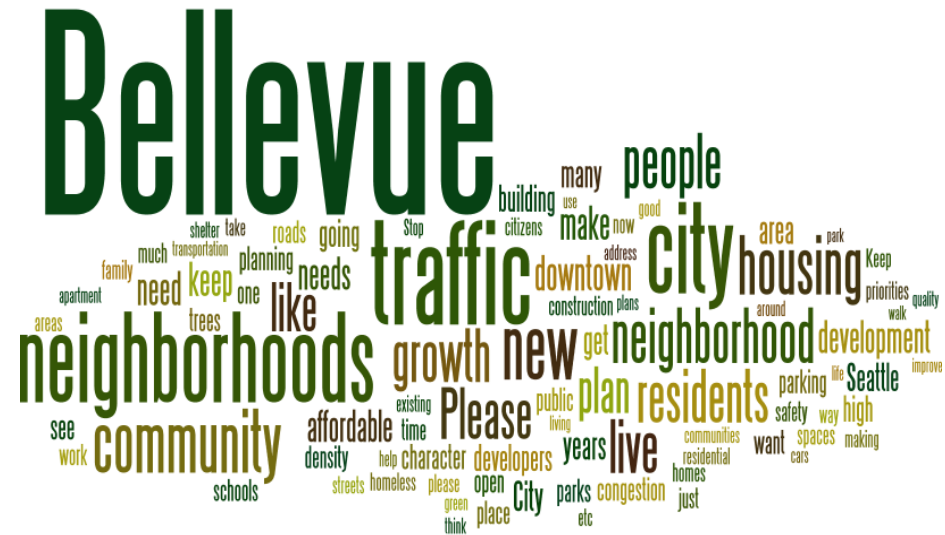
- Focus on neighborhood priorities
- Maintain consistency with the City's values and vision
 - City Council vision
 - Comprehensive Plan
 - Land Use Code

A neighborhood area plan does not

- Conflict with City-wide policy guidance or regulatory direction
- Result in actions that impact the entire city or region

What will it look like?

- Community profile
- Opportunities map
- Relationship to Comprehensive Plan
- Vision and strategies



Outcomes




- **Neighborhood-based strategies and actions**
- **Inform future Comprehensive Plan updates**
- **Sense of ownership**



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WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

This is our chance to...

-  **Identify and address important local issues, community concerns, opportunities, and ideas**
-  **Empower each other to identify opportunities and constraints then develop strategies and actions together to improve our neighborhoods**
-  **Think critically about the ways our neighborhoods function and their impacts on our lives**

And Importantly...

Through in-person and online engagement, we will identify the top priorities for our neighborhood

Therefore...

This is timely, relevant, and specific to our neighborhood's future.



HOW WE GET THERE

Great Neighborhoods Central Tenets

- **Be on the ground, in the neighborhoods**
- **Listen and have a conversation with the community**
- **Understand the community concerns**
- **Organic and home grown is important**
- **A partnership between the City and community**
- **Focus on opportunities and ideas**
- **Call to action to empower the neighborhood**

How we get there

Partnerships and firm commitment from both the City and the Neighborhood

Success depends on a collaborative relationship between the City and residents

Process

Phase 1

Discovery

Phase 2

*Develop and Refine
Strategies*

Phase 3

*Review and
Validation*

Phase 4

*City Review and
Action*



Share information and identify neighborhood priorities

“Let’s get to know each other and share what we know.”

Sept. – Jan.



Strategic solutions and initiatives

“Let’s develop our plan for the future.”

Feb. – Apr.



Share initiatives and resolve issues

“Help shape our recommended plan.”

May – June



Legislative process, hearings and action

“Share your thoughts about the draft plan with Planning Commission and City Council.”

Sept. – Dec.



WHAT HAVE WE DONE AND HEARD SO FAR?

Neighborhood Engagement

September Soft-Launch

- 2 Farmers Markets
- 1 Neighborhood Walk
- 1 Pop-up office
- 2 Small group meetings

123 members of the public engaged during 19 hours in the community



Neighborhood Engagement

Top 3 Issues identified so far:

1. Traffic
2. Neighborhood Character
3. Trees

Other issues identified:

- Walkability
- Housing
- Aging-in-place
- Sense of community
- Parks
- Open space



Neighborhood Engagement

June 12, 2018 - Neighborhood Forum

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSCDES R_ORI&feature=youtu.be



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HOW TO CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION AND STAY ENGAGED

Upcoming Next Steps

End of October – December

- Analyze input and report back to the community on themes
- Engagement will be in small-group settings and online

January – April

- Poll the community for priority themes
- Hold additional public meetings to refine the themes
- Collaborate on the development of actions and strategies to address the top priorities

May – June

- Develop a draft Plan
- Review and validate with community



Through December

- **Pop-up Offices**
- **Walking tours**
- **Neighborhood photographs**
- **Small Group Meetings**
- **Neighborhood events**
- **Schools/youth participation**
- **Meeting-in-a-box**
- **Arts and artists**
- **StoryCorps/TED talks**
- **Traditional media**
- **Others? Let Us Know!**





Great Neighborhoods

...it begins now!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

A SNAPSHOT OF NORTHEAST BELLEVUE

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Northeast Bellevue

10,500 persons

1,413 acres

**Diverse and
multilingual population**

**Balanced age
distribution**

18% renters

**94% single-family
homes**

