

# **BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB**

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Serving our community since 1978

**Spring 2022** 

Join us on Zoom for the return of our member meetings 5/18 @ 7:00PM. **All Bridle Trails Residents Welcome!** 

### **LOCATION: Virtual**

go to **Zoom.US** and use Meeting ID: 864 0588 9786 **Passcode:** 405520

### AGENDA: Wed., May 18th

Welcome & Club Business Council Vision. Q&A 140th Park Update

**BelRed Happenings** Meet Bellevue Police North Sector Captain McKinney



The BTCC was founded in the 1978 by a group of BT residents. Through the decades, the BTCC continued listen to what residents think ought to be done, connect people with staff and leaders, and take action to do what is needed to steward our BT life. BTCC monitors city policies and ordinances that affect Bridle Trails. It is at the local level that residents are able to have the greatest affect in what matters to us in our daily lives.

Join the BTCC as we participate in the next decade of city planning, policy, budgets, safety, transportation, ending homelessness, and all other city services affecting us everyday.



Councilmember Jeremy Barksdale joins us to discuss what is instore for the new Council Vision and answer questions. The City Where You Want To Be. Bellevue welcomes the world. Our diversity is our strength. We embrace the future while respecting our past. City Council Vision guides the City of Bellevue's policy and budget. The 2022 updated vison will also guide that Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan) update, due by June 2024. The Comp Plan is the foundational policy document, guiding growth and development for the next 20 years. This plan is mandated by the State

as part of the Growth Management Act (GMA). Bellevue is a designated metropolitan job center and Downtown is an urban growth center. Bellevue's growth targets have been set. To achieve a 2:1 jobs/housing balance and the growth beyond existing capacity, is required, The City Council Vision will direct how and where that will take place.

|                    | Housing Units                      | Jobs                      |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Existing Inventory | 65,194                             | 155,031                   |
|                    | Net New Housing<br>Units 2019-2044 | Net New Jobs<br>2019-2044 |
| Target             | 35,000                             | 70,000                    |
|                    |                                    |                           |
| Existing Capacity  | 26,859                             | 117,241                   |

## **BELRED: OUR URBAN NEIGHBOR TO** THE SOUTH

2023 Brings Sound Transit live to BelRed with two stations: Spring District/120th Station and Bel-Red/130th Station What has other changes are on the horizon in BelRed? How does BelRed portray the urban nature of Bellevue's future? What can Bridle Trails expect as BelRed fills out?

The Spring district is focused on Offices but has some housing. The 130th St station is to be focused on housing. How will that affect the relationship with Bridle Trails and the places we love in BelRed?

The Bellevue Planning Department Staff will give us the highlights and answer questions at our 5/18 Zoom meeting.

### **SAFETY IN THE** NORTH SECTOR



Meet North Sector Captain Darryl McKinney! Do you have an issue affecting your Bellevue Bridle Trails neighborhood? Contact him. He is ultimate-

ly responsible for issues taking place in our sector.

Do not contact him report crimes or incidents in progress. To report a crime, please call 911 for emergencies or NORCOM non-emergency at 425-577-5656. You may also report many crimes online at MyBellevue Customer Assistance at bellevuewa.gov and scroll to the "B"



**RESERVOIR REPLACEMENT/BRIDLE TRAILS STATE PARK** 

The City water reservoir in Bridle State Park provides drinking water and fire protection to the Pike's Peak and adjoining neighborhoods. THe BTCC worked with the CIty over the years to develop a plan to limit vegetation removal and reduce construction damage due to the replacement project. Due to the concrete strike the construction was delayed. Construction resumed last week.and will be completed by the end of the year. There are some trail detours in BT State Park during construction. By January 2023, the reservoir will be a better facility from aesthetic as well as an operational standpoint.



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## CLIMBING TO THE NEXT PHASE: NAME THE PARK

We have been waiting for the new park on 140th for many years. After delays due to rising costs and covid, the good news is that the City will start construction in 2023. See the article below for background on the BT Corner Park and the 140th park. We will be working with the City to name the new 140th park so start thinking of names for the new park.

Many years ago the BTCC began to advocate for the use of City Park Levy funds for a park in the BT area. We began our search for land. The property on the corner of NE 24th and 134th came up for sale. The City purchased the land which, as of 2015, is the site of the BT Corner Park. The BTCC worked with Scott Vander-Hyden, City Parks Department, on the public outreach meetings and developing the design of the park. The goal of the BTCC was to keep the costs of the park low in order to save money for the purchase of more land in a different area.

Our plan to save money for more land acquisition was successful. A parcel of land on 140th came up for sale. The BTCC advocated for the purchase of the land even if there was not sufficient funds to develop the park. The City purchased the land which is adjacent to City owned wetlands. The BTCC once again worked with Scott VanderHyden to develop the plan and design for the 140th park. We waited for funds to be available for the construction of the park. Now our plans will be implemented. The park will have bathrooms, play structures and parking. The City will build a crosswalk across 140th to the park entrance. Scott VanderHyden will present information about the park at ourBTCC Zoom Meeting on May 18.

## BE A MEMBER! THE GOOD THAT WE DO TOGETHER SURPASSES WHAT WE CAN DO ALONE\*! ONLY \$20/YEAR!

Memberships dues typically cover the cost of business: meetings, website, printed materials, and contributes to the Bridle Trails Night Out. Most costs for BTNO are typically covered by our sponsors. Any donations (via donate button) are also highly appreciated.

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OR Fill out this form for your household and send your \$20 check to 6619 132nd Ave, NE #133 Kirkland, WA 98033. Thank you!

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## ALICE PRINCE ADVOCATE FOR BRIDLE TRAILS

Long time BTCC Board Member, Secretary, and Kirkland Representative passed away in December. Alice, who along with her husband Don, were founders of the Bridle Trails Park Foundation. Alice will also be missed by the Lake Washington Saddle Club. Alice was an advocate for the equestrian community, the Park, and trails, including the watching over Kirkland's horsekeeping preservation, The Pikes Peak Water Tower project, and Bellevue's Ped/Bike Plan. See link

https://www.bridletrails.org/alice-prince

## NEW MEMBER OF THE BTCC BOARD

We welcome Barbara Hughes to the BTCC Board in the Secretary position. Barbara lives off of 140th in the Brentwood Lane neighborhood. Barbara is a 20 year resident of BT, raising her family here and enjoying the natural beauty of BT. Barbara can be found chatting with neighbors and out walking her Labrador dog on the trails or in the State Park. We are pleased that Barbara has joined the BTCC Board. Thank you Barbara.

## THANK YOU, CO-PRESIDENTS

Thank you, **Laura Polt** and **Karin Morgan**, for your leadership as Co-Presidents for the last three years. Laura will remain a co-chair of the Bridle Trails Night Out. Both are now on the advisory board. Loretta Lopez and Pamela Johnston have taken on the Co-President role to steer us out of pandemic mode and reconnect as a community.

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 including the list of Board and Advisory Board members