

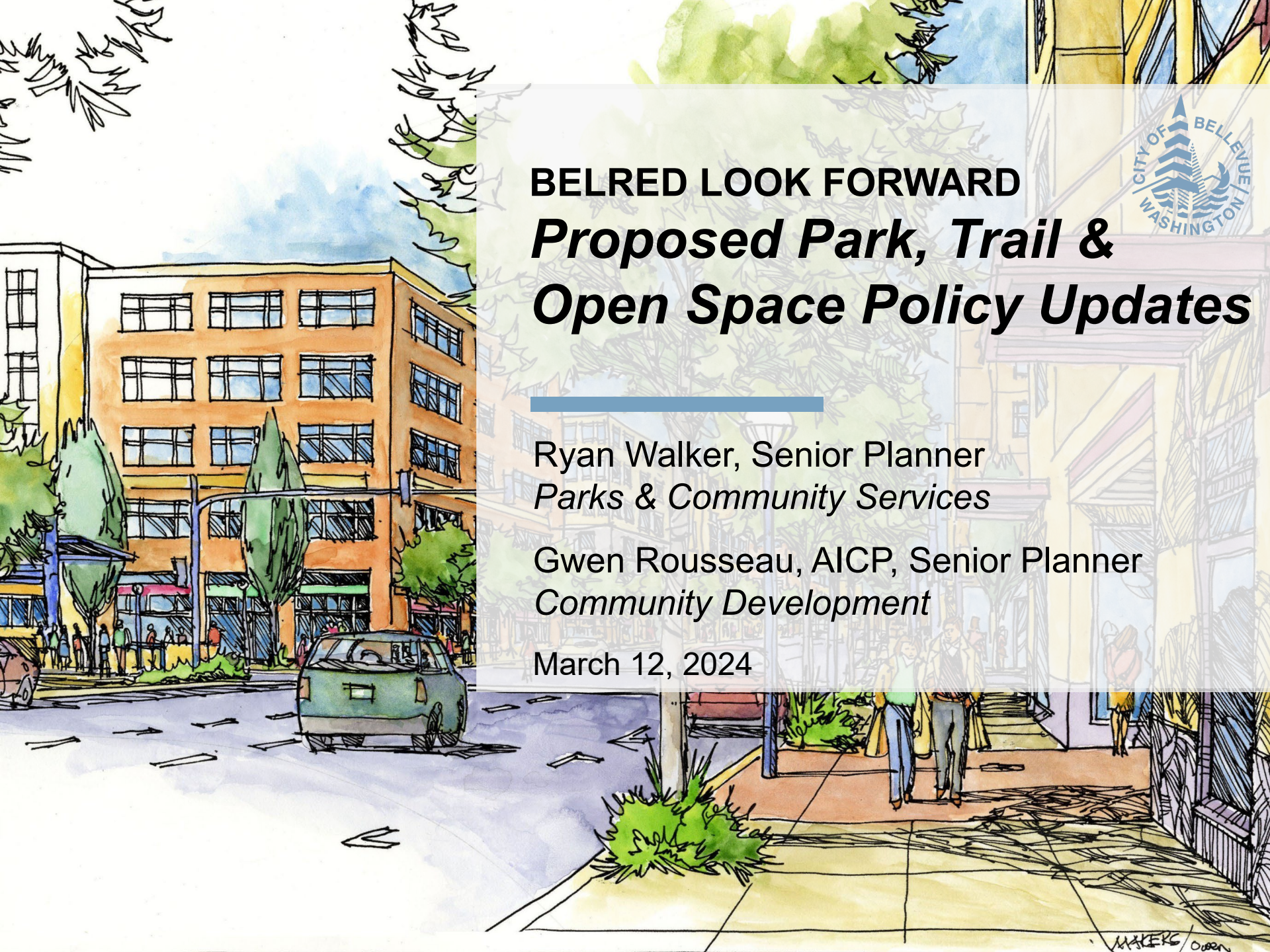


BELRED LOOK FORWARD ***Proposed Park, Trail & Open Space Policy Updates***

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Action Requested

- Review proposed park and open space policy amendments to the BelRed Subarea Plan.
- Approve recommendation for transmittal to the Planning Commission.



Agenda

- Overview
- Updates to Proposed Policy
- Discussion and Action



BelRed Look Forward

What?

- A planning process to update both policies and land use designations.

When?

- Part of the Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update launched in February 2022.
- Adoption by Council anticipated in Q3 2024.

Why?

- To reflect new information.
- To strengthen and clarify implementation strategies.
- To increase capacity for housing and job growth.



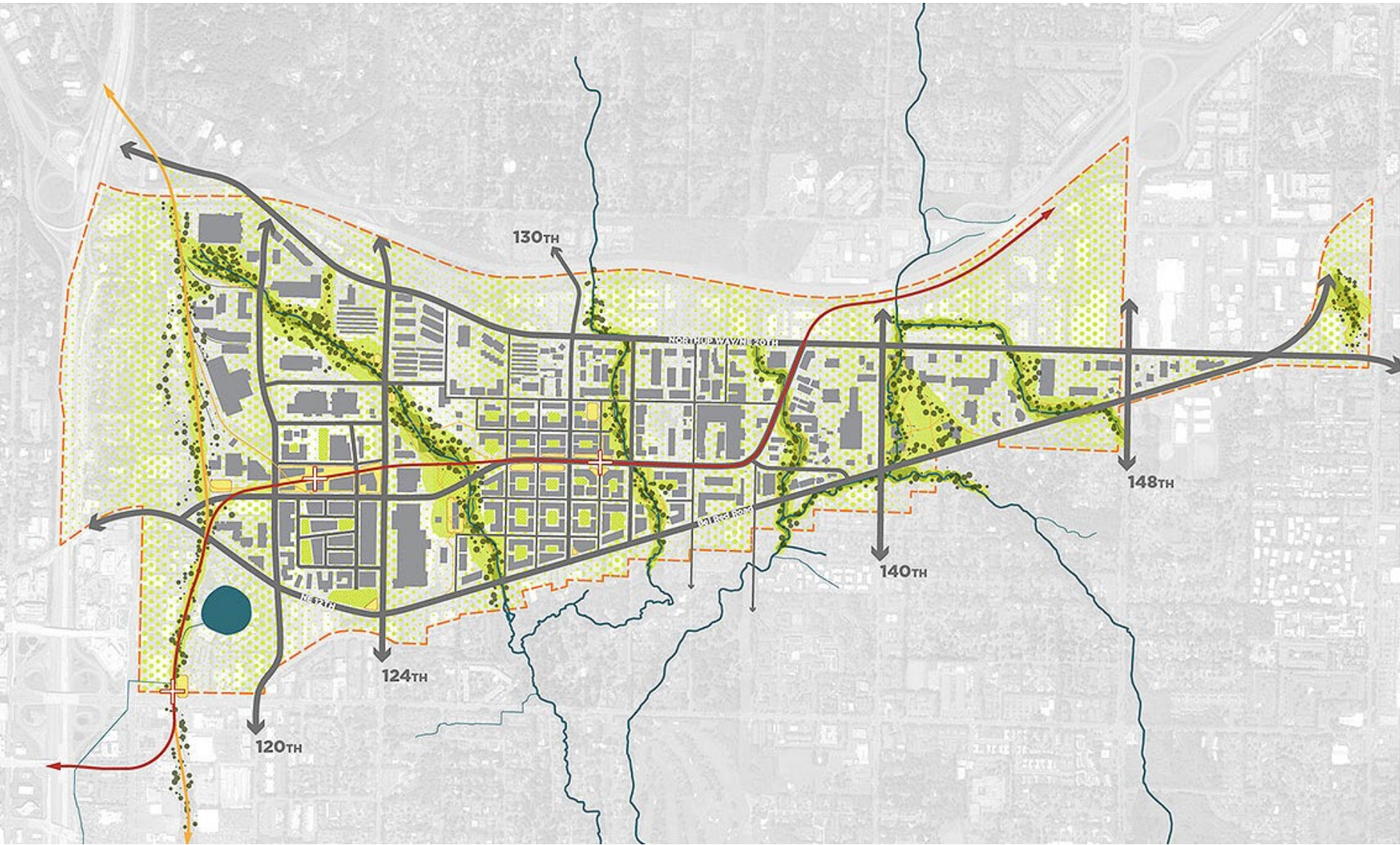
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE EXPANSION

BelRed Vision

A comprehensive, connected parks and open space system... System components will include:

- *Trails along stream corridors,*
- *Urban and natural open spaces,*
- *Community facilities,*
- *Community and neighborhood parks, and*
- *Cultural / arts features.*





Park Policy Move Highlights

- Streamline and clarify objectives.
- Ensure equitable and convenient access.
- Emphasize opportunities near creeks and NE Spring Boulevard.
- Highlight performing arts & community events opportunities.
- Emphasize natural resource benefits in acquisitions.
- Incorporate parks, recreation, and natural amenities into streets.
- Remove redundant policies covered in Volume 1.



Review of Board Feedback

- Incorporate connectivity in goal
- Articulate streams as organizing principle
- Streamline policy to reduce confusion
- Highlight wildlife corridors as part of habitat



Changes Addressed: Goal

Add language to stress connectivity.

Policy Number	Change
Goal	Recommendation: To provide for a diverse, functional, <u>and connected</u> collection of parks and open spaces that weave through BelRed offering residents, workers, and visitors convenient access to nature and a wide variety of recreational opportunities.



Changes Addressed: S-BR-53

Emphasize streams as an organizing principle for parks, trails, and open space. Remove specific stream references.

Policy Number	Change
S-BR-53	Recommendation: Use BelRed’s extensive network of stream corridors to inform the location and design of new neighborhood and community parks and to develop connectivity in the neighborhood through a series of adjacent, publicly accessible trails and natural corridors; initial emphasis will focus on the West Tributary and Goff Creek stream systems.



Changes Addressed: S-BR-60

Reference wildlife as a driver of parks and open space management.

Policy Number	Change
S-BR-60	Recommendation: Rehabilitate and manage riparian and upland park areas to protect <u>wildlife</u> habitat <u>corridors</u> and to restore natural functions.



POLICY REVIEW, RECOMMENDATION, AND ADOPTION TIMELINE

FEBRUARY

MARCH

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

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SEPTEMBER

PUBLIC REVIEW

KEY POLICY
MOVES

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES

ARTS

PARKS &
COMMUNITY
SERVICES

TRANSPORTATION

Note: A Land Use Code Amendment process will follow adoption of the CPA, with adoption anticipated in mid-2025.

PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION AND CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION

LAND USE

PKS & ENV

TRANS,
HOUSING,
URBAN
DESIGN,
ARTS

PC PUBLIC HEARING &
RECOMMENDATION

CITY
COUNCIL
ADOPTION



Next Step

Approve a recommendation on policy for transmittal to Planning Commission.



Sample Motion

Move that the Parks & Community Services Board recommend to the Planning Commission the proposed amendments to Parks and Open Space policies in the BelRed Subarea Plan, as presented in Attachments A and B to this memo.



Questions?

