



## Parks CIP Project Status Report

### March 2026

The Capital Projects Team continues to make progress on park planning efforts and improvement projects. This report features projects that have reached new milestones since the last report.

#### Awards and Recognition

The Eastgate Pedestrian Pathway was recently recognized with an award from WRPA for “Trails - Population Over 100K Spotlight.” The project, completed in 2024, provides direct, ADA-accessible pedestrian access from SE Newport Way to South Bellevue Community Center.



#### BelRed Neighborhood Park Master Plan

The city is planning a new neighborhood park at 12525 NE Spring Blvd. The park master plan will help guide the design and construction of this new 8-acre park in the BelRed neighborhood. A project kick-off update was shared with the Park Board in February. Community outreach will begin later this Spring.

#### Bellevue Airfield Park Planning and Design

The Airfield Park Master Plan, adopted by City Council in September 2024, includes a new aquatic facility, eight pickleball courts, a basketball court, a multi-use flex field, a children’s playground with multiple play zones, a splash pad, accessible picnic facilities, trails, and terraced lawns. The project was approved to use progressive design-build by the State’s Project Review Committee in February. An RFP to hire the design-builder will be issued this month. Once the design-build team is hired, design and permitting are expected through 2028, followed by construction in 2029-30.

#### Aquatic Center Design

The City Council-recommended aquatic facility concept for Bellevue Airfield Park is approximately 130,000 square feet and includes a 50-meter pool, deep-water tank, pools dedicated to therapy, lessons and



programs, leisure amenities, and dry-side community and support spaces. The project has been approved to use progressive design-build alternative delivery for preliminary design of the aquatics center. The department is actively exploring financial strategies for the aquatics center development including regional partnerships and philanthropic donations.

## Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2 Planning and Design

City Council directed staff to proceed with construction documentation and permitting to develop phase 2 of the park in Summer 2025. Park features will include the Meydenbauer Bay Park Gateway Plaza at Main and 100th Ave SE, additional parking, and an interim shoreline promenade expansion. The city is beginning the process to seek approval to use GCCM (General Contractor Construction Manager) alternative delivery for this project. GCCM allows the city to hire the general contractor during the design phase to utilize their construction and cost estimating expertise to create best value for the project. Design and permitting are expected to take approximately 3-4 years, followed by construction.

## Trail Projects

The city continues to expand and enhance the trail network, connecting open spaces and providing recreational access to the many natural areas and greenways throughout Bellevue. In preparation for an upcoming update to the Parks and Open Space Plan, staff are preparing a Trails Report that lays out strategic goals for the trail system.

## 2026 Renovation Projects

The 2026-2031 Renovation, Refurbishment, and ADA Accessibility Program Report has been completed. The report identifies projects to repair and renovate existing facilities and park amenities. 2026 projects include energy conservation projects; repairs to asphalt parking lots, sports courts, and irrigation and HVAC systems; deck repairs at the Bellevue Golf Course; siding repairs, kitchen remodel, and teen center upgrades at Crossroads Community Center; new play equipment and/or surfacing at multiple playgrounds; new climbing wall and electrical upgrades at South Bellevue Community Center; restroom and tennis court improvements at Enatai Neighborhood Park; and ADA barrier removal at multiple sites.

## More Active Projects

Park projects take time to implement, and the following projects continue to make steady progress.

- Trail Projects at Coal Creek, Forest Drive, Mercer Slough, 168<sup>th</sup> Ave Open Space, and Easttrail
- Park (re)development at Ashwood Park and Eastgate Commons
- Waterfront park projects at Clyde Beach Boathouse, Chism Beach Park, and new properties on Lake Sammamish
- Cricket Improvements at Robinswood Park
- Pop-up Off Leash Area Program



- Kelsey Creek Park Restroom
- Park Operations Facility
- Robinswood Park Playground

While there have been no major changes since the last Park Board meeting, please reference last month's report for the latest information. New updates will be shared when meaningful milestones are reached.

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Parks capital projects are also featured on the City's [Capital Projects Dashboard](#). This dashboard is updated quarterly. Click "Filter by Department" and select "Parks & Community Services" to see the department's active projects. Click symbols on the map or choose from the list of Active Projects to see project details.

Additional information on park projects can be found here: [Current Projects | City of Bellevue](#)