

Inclusive Innovation Forum

Updates and Resolution

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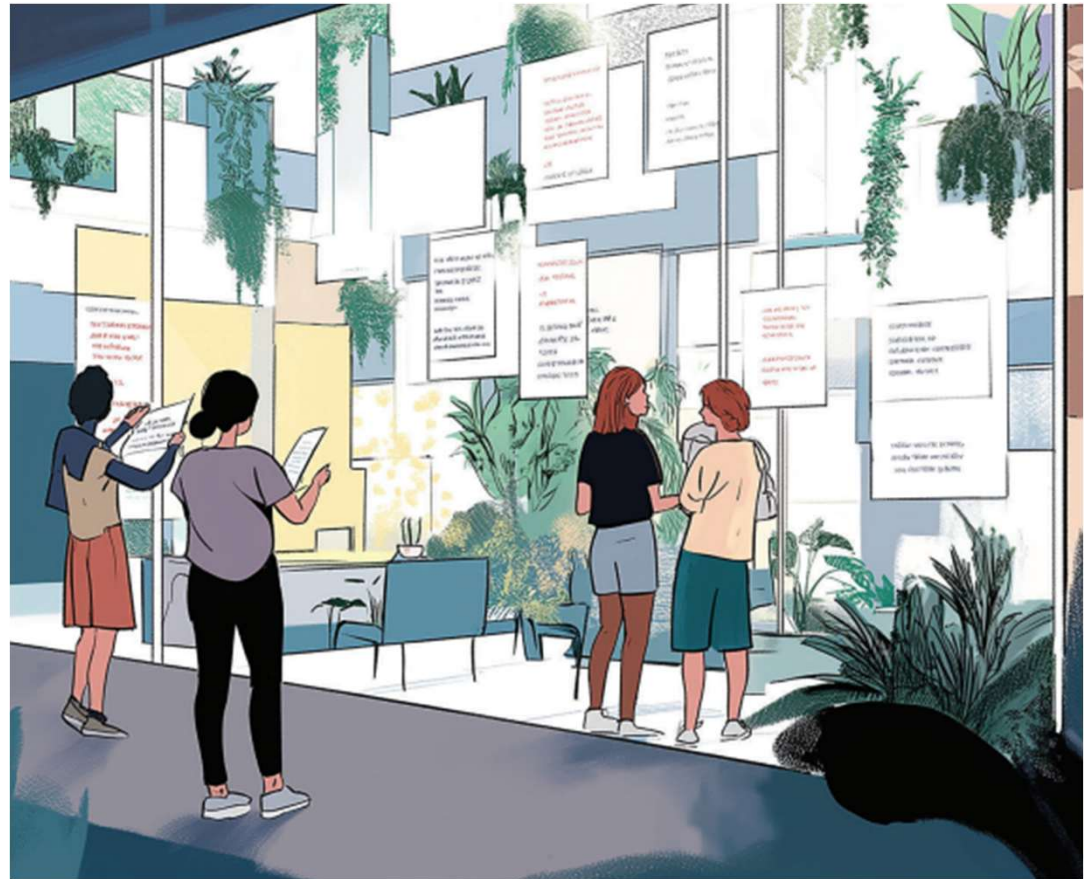
Direction

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Agenda

1. Background
2. Sub-team Priorities
3. Resolution
4. Next Steps



Background: Council Vision

Innovation is an integral part of our community. We embrace and support innovation in all aspects of our community – systems, institutions, businesses, schools and government. This innovative spirit is crucial to Bellevue's success.

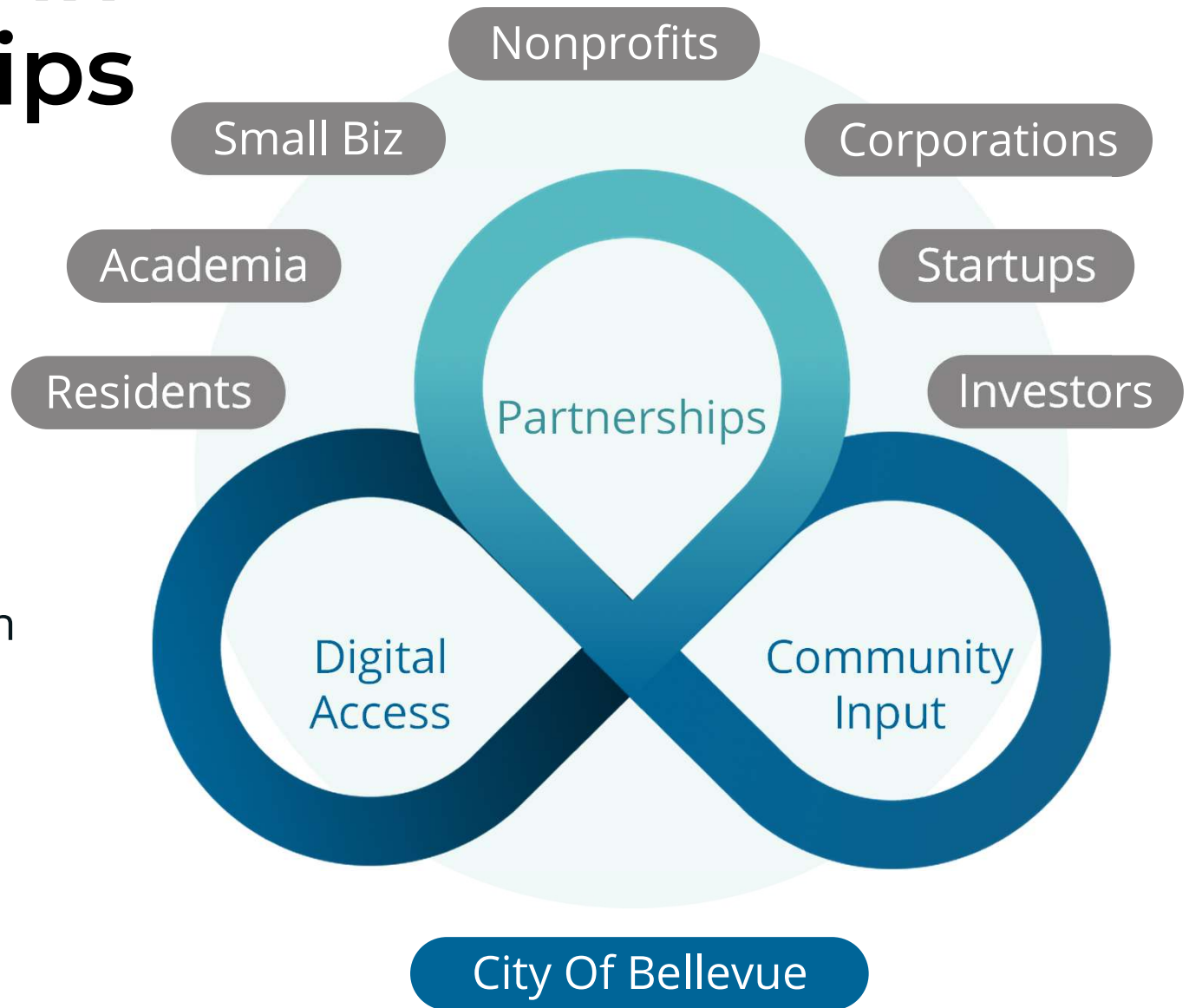


Background and Engagement



Grounded in Partnerships

The City of Bellevue is launching a partnership ecosystem to **grow collaboration and beneficial relationships** between startups, non-profits, corporations, investors, academia, and residents



Sub-team Priorities

- Building short- and long-term goals
- Developing work plans and performance indicators to track progress

Support and
enhance
digital equity

Augment
policies and
priorities

Grow thriving
innovation
ecosystems



Digital Equity

Support and enhance digital equity priorities

- Baseline information on needs and data
- Free technology support
- Basics classes
- Access to technology
- Free and low-cost connectivity
- Training and education partnerships for job readiness



Augment Policies and Priorities

Augment policies and priorities to drive innovation in city services

- Draft innovation framework
- Make it easier to test/grow innovative ideas with the city
- Ensure city policies support equitable technology development
- Advise on emerging technology policy (AI, Privacy, Smart Cities)



Thriving Innovation Ecosystems

- Act as a connector for city/community challenges and technology
- Enhance Bellevue's ability to test and support innovative ideas
- Create a neutral space to test ideas and bring partners together
- Partner with educational institutions to support student learning, small businesses
- Support small businesses and start-ups



Draft Resolution



Draft Resolution Supports City and Innovation Forum Goals



Framework for partnerships

Establishes a model for testing and vetting ideas



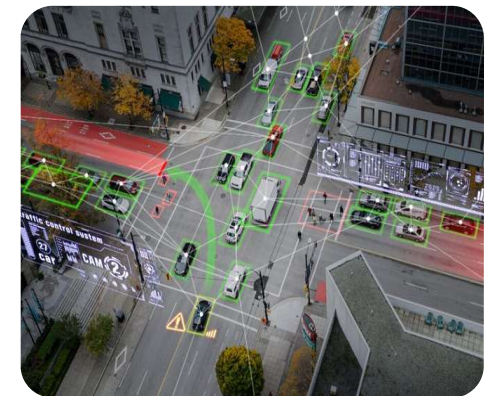
Business Incubator

Enables a path for start-ups and small businesses



City Services Innovator

Supports piloting innovation in city services



Draft Resolution: Framework for Innovative Collaboration



Goals and Principles

- Foster sustainable innovation
- Improve city services
- Ensure community engagement



Design Partnerships

Design partnerships help Bellevue test, evaluate, and demonstrate new, unproven solutions.



Draft Resolution: Framework for Innovative Collaboration



Partnership Framework

Alignment with city priorities

Feasibility and scalability

Community impact

Resource and staff requirements



Partnership Implementation and Success Metrics

Establishes selection process

Outlines performance indicators

Implements evaluating success and viability



What's Next?

Tomorrow: Inclusive Innovation Forum

June 4, 2025: 6-8 pm

Register: bellevuewa.gov/innovationforum

Civic Innovation Challenge

This challenge seeks to increase design partnerships to test innovative ideas.

Civic Innovation Day: Fall 2025

Bring together community, public sector, and innovative technology, to test, learn, grow, and support small businesses.





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