

Attachement A: Council Study Session July 11, 2016

Council directed staff to pursue community feedback about a potential new voter-approved revenue to address both the fire facilities and the acceleration of transportation neighborhood safety and connectivity.

Attached is the public feedback obtained from:

- The on-line survey as of July 1 (the survey remains open for further responses);
- The public open houses held on June 28, 29, and 30, including all comments received;
- The Transportation Commission Report; and
- A reprint of the Council powerpoint from July 5.

This information is a reprint of the data presented to Council on July 5.



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Web Survey
City of Bellevue
June 14th – July 1st, 2016
N=456, MoE: ±4.6 percentage points
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Since 2014, the Bellevue City Council has had an ongoing discussion about the city’s ability to fund the long list of capital projects needed to serve the entire community. Despite current initiatives to prioritize and strengthen Bellevue’s infrastructure, forecast data show a significant funding gap. The Bellevue City Council is presently considering two measures that could appear on the November 2016 ballot. These measures would fund important neighborhood transportation and fire facility projects. The City of Bellevue is interested in learning more about how Bellevue residents feel about these measures.

Your answers are completely confidential, we will not share your name or email address, and your answers will be anonymized with everyone else who takes this survey. Thank you for your willingness to offer your opinions.

1. Do you identify as:

Male	47%
Female	52%
Other	<1%

2. Do you feel that things in Bellevue are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

Right Direction	52%
Wrong Track	29%
Don't Know	20%

3. What do you think is the most important problem facing Bellevue today? **[OPEN-ENDED] [SINGLE RESPONSE]**

Traffic/Congestion	36%
Growth/overdevelopment	22%
Transportation/public transportation	11%
Affordable housing	6%
Infrastructure	4%
Crime	4%
Cost of living	1%
Homelessness	1%
Schools	<1%
Nothing/no problems	1%
Don't Know/refused	4%
Other	8%

4. What do you think is the most important problem facing Bellevue today? **[OPEN-ENDED] [MULTI-RESPONSE]**

Traffic/Congestion	43%
Growth/overdevelopment	27%
Transportation/public transportation	16%
Infrastructure	9%
Affordable housing	9%
Crime	6%
Cost of living	2%
Homelessness	2%
Schools	2%
Nothing/no problems	1%
Don't Know/refused	4%
Other	12%

The Bellevue City Council is considering two ballot measures for the November 2016 election.

[BEGIN RANDOMIZE]

5. The Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity measure is focused on transportation and would fund construction of neighborhood sidewalks, paths, and safe routes to school throughout the City to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety, and connect more neighborhoods to each other, to parks, and to schools. This measure would increase regular property taxes, allowing collection of up to \$5.5 million in additional taxes per year over 20 years. The 2017 tax limit would be 12.5 cents per \$1,000 dollars of assessed value. This measure would cost the owner of a \$640,000 home, the average home value in Bellevue, about \$80 per year. Knowing this, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose this measure?

Strongly Support	45%	→ 69%
Somewhat Support	25%	
Somewhat Oppose	11%	→ 26%
Strongly Oppose	16%	
Undecided/Don't Know/No answer	5%	

6. The Fire Facilities and Emergency Response measure concerns funding for relocating and modernizing fire department facilities in Bellevue. This measure would authorize Bellevue to replace, remodel, or seismically strengthen fire stations throughout the city. This measure would increase regular property taxes, allowing collection of up to \$5.5 million per year in additional taxes over 20 years. The 2017 tax limit would be 12.5 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. This measure would cost the owner of a \$640,000 home, the average home value in Bellevue, about \$80 per year. Knowing this, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose this measure?

Strongly Support	35%	→ 71%
Somewhat Support	36%	
Somewhat Oppose	12%	→ 23%
Strongly Oppose	11%	
Undecided/Don't Know/No answer	6%	

[END RANDOMIZE]

7. Which of the following measures do you think should be a higher priority;

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 1 THRU 2 AND 3 THRU 4]

Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity	33%
Fire Facilities and Emergency Response	27%
Both	25%
Neither	9%
Undecided/Don't Know/No answer	5%

Using a scale of excellent, good, only fair, or poor, please rate each of the following.

SCALE:	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	Don't know	Prefer not to answer	Positive	Negative	Net Positive
8. the job the City of Bellevue government does overall	13%	49%	19%	8%	9%	2%	62%	27%	35%
9. the job the City of Bellevue is doing using tax dollars responsibly	10%	36%	25%	12%	17%	2%	45%	36%	9%

Below is a list of neighborhood transportation priorities that could be funded in the City of Bellevue. Please rank each item as high, medium, or low.

SCALE:	High	Medium	Low
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[RANDOMIZE]

10. New sidewalks and trails: Building more sidewalks; more sidewalks and crosswalks connecting neighborhoods throughout Bellevue to improve pedestrian safety	41%	35%	24%
11. New bike facilities: Building more bike paths separated from traffic	29%	26%	45%
12. Sidewalk and trail maintenance enhancement: Making sidewalks and paths safer for pedestrians; increasing maintenance of the sidewalks and trails we currently have	35%	46%	19%
13. Neighborhood safety: Implementing traffic calming measures designed to slow down traffic in areas where there is high foot traffic, to increase safety for drivers, walkers, and bicyclists; addition of downtown midblock and other crosswalks; investing in safe walking and biking routes to school for students at every public school in Bellevue	58%	29%	13%
14. Enhanced technology for safety and traffic management: Investing in transportation technology to reduce congestion and improve safety on Bellevue roads	53%	33%	14%
15. Reducing congestion: For residents entering and leaving neighborhoods.	55%	32%	14%

[END RANDOMIZE]

Below is a list of fire facility priorities that could be funded in the City of Bellevue. Please rank each item as high, medium, or low.

SCALE:	High	Medium	Low
[RANDOMIZE]			
16. Remodel outdated stations: Remodeling, expanding, or replacing fire stations in Bellevue	27%	46%	27%
17. Existing station upgrades: Implementing needed existing upgrades in fire fighting facilities in Bellevue	42%	42%	16%
18. Improve facility locations: Aligning facilities so as to better serve Bellevue communities.	25%	48%	26%
19. Seismic upgrades: Upgrade facilities to ensure that every fire station in Bellevue meets seismic standards to withstand a major earthquake and provide first response in any emergency.	54%	32%	14%
20. Establish a new downtown fire station: So the fire department can meet response time standards	35%	40%	26%

[END RANDOMIZE]

DEMOS. And finally, a few questions for statistical purposes only.

21.	Do you own or rent your apartment or home?		
	Own/buying	87%	
	Rent/lease	11%	
	Don't Know/Refused	2%	
22.	How often do you use a bicycle to get around?		
	Every day	5%	
	A couple times a week	10%	→ 19%
	Once a week	4%	
	A couple times a month	7%	
	A couple times a year	17%	→ 24%
	Never	56%	
	Don't know	<1%	
23.	How often do you use an automobile (Car/Truck/SUV) to get around?		
	Every day	75%	
	A couple times a week	18%	→ 96%
	Once a week	3%	
	A couple times a month	2%	
	A couple times a year	1%	→ 3%
	Never	1%	
	Don't know	<1%	

24.	How often do you use transit (Bus/Light Rail/Sounder) to get around?		
	Every day	10%	
	A couple times a week	8%	→ 21%
	Once a week	3%	
	A couple times a month	13%	→ 46%
	A couple times a year	33%	
	Never	32%	
	Don't know	1%	

25A. What year were you born? **[DROP DOWN] [IF REFUSED, Q25A=9999]**

25B.	Are you... [DROP DOWN]	
	18-29	3%
	30-39	15%
	40-49	25%
	50-64	34%
	65 or over	20%
	Prefer not to answer	2%

26. What is your zip code? **[TEXT BOX W/ ZIP CODE VALIDATION]**

98004	25%
98005	18%
98006	21%
98007	9%
98008	19%
Other	7%

27.	Do you live in Bellevue?	
	Yes	92%
	No	8%

FINISH. Thank you very much for completing this survey and have a good day.

Council Briefing
Potential Neighborhood Safety Ballot Measures
Open House - Community Input
SUMMARY - June 28, 29 & 30, 2016

At the request of Council, staff held three Open Houses (June 28-30) to receive community input on potential ballot measures to more timely fund Fire Facilities and Transportation Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity projects. Following is a summary of the input received from the community at each Open House and as an aggregate:

Summary of Input Received	
Estimated Attendance:	75
Number of Community Input Forms Received:	47

<i>Fire Facilities and Emergency Response</i>	% Indicating High Priority	% Indicating Medium Priority	% Indicating Low Priority	TOTAL # OF VOTES
Remodel Outdated Stations	54%	37%	10%	41
Existing Station Upgrades	44%	49%	8%	39
Seismic Upgrades	74%	21%	5%	42
Improve Facility Locations	36%	38%	26%	39
Establish New Downtown Station	67%	24%	10%	42

<i>Transportation - Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity</i>	% Indicating High Priority	% Indicating Medium Priority	% Indicating Low Priority	TOTAL # OF VOTES
Neighborhood Safety	65%	33%	2%	43
New Sidewalks/Trails	53%	26%	21%	43
New Bike Facilities	24%	32%	44%	41
Sidewalk/Trail Maintenance	36%	43%	21%	42
Enhanced Technology for Traffic Management	48%	45%	7%	42
Reducing Neighborhood Congestion	63%	29%	7%	41

OPEN HOUSE COMMENTS - June 28, 29 & 30th, 2016

At the request of Council, staff held three Open Houses (June 28-30) to receive community input on potential ballot measures to more timely fund Fire Facilities and Transportation Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity projects. The following are the comments received verbatim from all three open houses:

COMMENTS RECEIVED REGARDING: Do you have comments regarding a possible ballot measure for FIRE FACILITIES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE?

Could there be help given by helicopter facilities for getting water from the lakes on either side of Bellevue for fighting large fires?

New fire station is top priority then seismic upgrades.

Please redirect funding from the Tateuchi Center to fire safety improvements, and then use the savings from Tateuchi to decrease the cost of the fire ballot measure.

Good idea.

The needs sound reasonable, but I think the downtown region (Developers) should be contributing more to the downtown station.

Currently doing a very good job.

Not at this time.

I think that it would be important to provide seismic upgrades, the Fire Facilities & Emergency Response Department is a very important part of our community.

I think that improving the fire stations is a priority to enhance the safety of residents.

I think it is important to provide seismic upgrades. I only rated Downtown station so low because it is not the area I live, but I think it is important too.

It's important to provide time essential medical service as it consists of 75% of Emergency calls/response by fire dept.

I support these capital improvements to make our city safer. I am willing to pay more in taxes or approve bond issues.

IF on a ballot I would vote YES!

Go for it.

This is welcome and long overdue. If anything, my criticism of process is one related to communication; the need for a downtown location is evident, but only if the implications of having rapid high-rise response is made clear, currently it isn't. Illustrating this is important and better data visualization is needed here.

Separate ballot for fire station need? Funding for new downtown station paid for by developers, owners of housing units (landlords) property owners initially.

Separate the ballot measures.

I appreciate the efforts to keep our fire services up to date to serve the city's needs.

Separate Fire measure from Transportation Traffic. Increase developer assessments to cover new construction.

Fire station improvements/new needs to be on a separate ballot measure. Higher developer assessments need to put in place to build a new fire station downtown.

Prior to November, voters need to know what is in the current CIP, as opposed to what would be funded by the levy - BIG PICTURE

Can some of the maintenance costs come out of the operation budget?

Our fire stations need to be prepared for earthquakes.

There are impact fees for transportation why not fire? Development should be paying their share.

Are developers paying sufficient/reasonable impact fees for the height of their buildings since that makes the difference in response times?

I agree we need a new downtown fire station. I do not want it built in Ashwood Park.

We would love to have an improved fire & emergency system!

****In reference to "Existing station upgrades" < What does this mean? **In reference to "Improve facility locations" < What does this mean? *COMMENTS: Like for new transportation capital facilities. Council should consider a Fire Facilities Impact Fee. This would shift some of the cost burden of a new downtown station to new development - growth help pay for impacts of growth.**

I hope we do get a ballot measure for these very important issues.

No.

SEPARATE THE ISSUES! #1 MEASURE: FIRE #2 MEASURE: TRANSPORTATION #3 MEASURE: BIKE & TRAIL

COMMENTS RECEIVED REGARDING: Do you have comments regarding a possible ballot measure for TRANSPORTATION NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND CONNECTIVITY?

It needs to pass.

Transportation Safety is easy if we are willing to slow cars & give real priority to people walking & biking. Diverters, stop signs. Make walking & biking Safe & and pleasant & people will have options. That's much cheaper than trying to accommodate cars.

You guys do a real good job! - Trees trimmed, sidewalks, fixed, available pedestrian signals.

New sidewalks & trails for Lake Samm S.E. Slow down on W. Lk Samm (response to Enhanced technology for traffic management). High Traffic 8-10Am & 4-6 PM too many cars (response to Reducing neighborhood congestion) 10A-12N not many cars but lots of speeders.

Possible ballot measure to include the suggestion for local neighborhood shuttle bus type transportation to facilitate movement of people from homes/neighborhoods to transit stations, shopping malls, etc.

W Lake Area - How will the "Iron Triangle" (Bel Red Rd, 156th & 24th) fare in the future with all the new high density development in the area. I've seen private ambulance drivers sitting in the ambulance waiting for the next accident. Is Redmond in on any planning?

NEEDED

****Comment regarding Neighborhood safety:** Skateboarding on our streets. We have a steep hill that attracts skateboarders. We have elderly neighbors who back out of driveways. We don't want to kill a skateboarder nor do we want elderly people trying to deal with a tragic accident. The problem is increasing, teens are seeing role models. We fear that one day someone will get seriously injured.

***Question:** Is the trail at Hilltop a private or public trail since the area was annexed into Bellevue in 2012?

Please place a higher priority on safety improvements than on new amenities. Also, please expand police enforcement of jaywalking and noise laws.

Cars are the primary transportation system for Bellevue.

I like the proposals a lot. Would also like to see a program looking at high volume intersections like 148th and Main where peds and traffic interact a lot.

34th between 162 & 164 needs a sidewalk for safety & a crosswalk at the bus stop. There is no crosswalk between WLSPW (West Lake Samm PW) & Eastgate Way on 34/35th. It is a "major" road for Police, Fire, EMT for much of WLSPW & they go by "Fast"

Specifically W. Lake Sammamish Pkwy to 162nd Pl SE via SE 34th & SE 35th Place - Crosswalks @ 164th St & possibly other intersections. Safety - it is impossible to walk and get across the street.

I think it is very important to provide new sidewalks, trails & crosswalks. I recommend thinking of a possibility of putting a crosswalk on Newport Way near the Bellevue Community Center, I think it is important. I have seen many pedestrians trying to cross Newport Way to get to the Community Center.

On Allen Rd. around Tyee, it is very unsafe for kids to walk to school especially after school when walking home or to the library. There are no sidewalks & speed limits aren't that enforced. For instance, I walk to school (I attend Tyee) & I feel like walking on the side of the road is pretty scary especially with big buses coming right past me. I feel it is important for a new sidewalk so that all the kids that walk to school or to the Newport Way Library for many years to come may walk safely. On SE Newport Way to get to the community center there currently is no crosswalk which would help a lot.

I think neighborhood safety is increasingly important since it will help reduce accidents.

I support these capital improvements to make our city safer. I am willing to pay more in taxes or approve bond issues.

Be sure you are asking for ENOUGH to cover multiple projects (esp. those not currently planned). Want 150th SE sidewalks between SE 46th & SE 49th high traffic, blind corners, & lots of people pushing strollers & walking dogs.

Hope this is on ballot, would love to see the above implemented. I would vote YES.

Skateboarders: We have quite a few skateboarders (young and old) on our hill and we know that there is a Bellevue City Ordinance that rules against skateboarding in our neighborhood. We have contacted the police department on their non-emergency numbers to report the skateboarders. One time a police officer came after the call to check but the skateboarders were already gone. Our hill is quite steep and there are a lot of curves with blind spots. I am scared that one of these days one of us who lives in the neighborhood would hit the skateboarders and injure them badly. Is there anyway we can let the Bellevue residents know about the ordinance? Is there a way we can get the support from our police department? Will it be helpful if we can put a sign at the entrance of our neighborhood to warn skateboarders about the ordinance? Hilltop Trail: Is the Hilltop trail public or still private? A few of us walked the trail and have been told by the Hilltop residents that it is a private trail and that we were trespassing.

Keep up with technology. Maintain what you build.

This is good and welcome. What would help with communication on a general election ballot is clarify about the benefits of the smart cities initiative; right now it sounds technical and officious.

Separate ballot measure from fire ballot

Separate congestion as a ballot measure by itself.

Please separate this from the fire measure.

Look at phased approach.

In addition to sidewalks & bike paths, we need investments in major/minor arterials, which provide neighborhood access/egress & congestion relief.

All 6 issues can and should be addressed by comprehensive redesign and reconstruction of NE 108th Ave from 12th Street to 24th (24th from 112th also needs to be addressed as a major thoroughfare) with many of the same issues and opportunities. My recommendation in summary: Redesign and reconstruct 108th as a linear park with "18' skinny street" & necessary wide streets to accommodate periodic transportation needs, ie. busses, moving trucks, city service vehicles, etc. Design and install proper sidewalks and do not do anymore "band aid" changes on 108th or anywhere else. Thank you - Keith Stevenson -

This long proposal needs significant roadway capacity projects included in a significant way.

Improving the bike and sidewalk facilities will help people with mobility issues.

This measure really will make an impact quickly. I support this measure and am glad to see the City looking at the future.

Crossing Downtown streets can be hazardous. I would like to see safety improvements at the intersections along N.E. 8th St. & 110th Ave NE & 108 Ave. N.E.

New constructions cause traffic too.

Fix the rail corridor by 108th Ave (near South Kirkland Park & Ride) so that path is lit, no railroad tracks, & a surface appropriate for bicycles. - Upgrade traffic signal timing to allow a driver to hit a series of green lights, almost never happens in Bellevue.

Do the most possible with the money we have and do the cost effective, smaller projects.

Reducing congestion all over is a very high priority to me. Please stop putting yellow curbs in the middle of our intersections all over town.

I would like to hear how efficiently COB uses these funds: In other words, what will be the administrative costs that are used to execute the projects? Are you constantly improving your execution of projects? What are your successes?

SEPARATE SIDEWALK & TRAIL. LOOK WITH VISION FOR THE FUTURE!



Transportation Commission

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Date: June 27, 2016

To: Mayor John Stokes and Councilmembers

Subject: Potential 2016 Transportation Levy

As indicated in our May 12, 2016 communication to the Council (Preliminary 2017-2023 Capital Funding Priorities), we commend the City Council direction and staff efforts to investigate potential new funding strategies and cash flow mechanisms (specifically a voted levy and/or Transportation Infrastructure and Finance Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan). We appreciate being tasked by the Council to provide feedback on the Council's identified themes for a potential Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity levy.

As an overall message, the Commission would like to convey our support for new resources that will help Bellevue keep up with the demand for all modes of transportation, and to ensure adequate maintenance of existing facilities. Below you will find our recommendation for five (5) thematic levy funding categories – not intended to be in any prioritized order.

A. Capital Maintenance Program Enhancements

As indicated in our May 12 Funding Priorities transmittal, it is of vital importance that the City continue to adequately maintain its capital investments. Dramatic growth in the city creates new and increased demands on the existing transportation system which in turn requires additional maintenance. Deferred routine maintenance has proven to cost agencies significantly more in future dollars when infrastructure reconstruction or full replacement may be required. For this reason we strongly encourage enhanced funding for two of the City's important capitalized maintenance programs, Street Overlays (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1) and Major Maintenance (CIP Plan No. PW-M-19). For Overlays, we encourage this enhancement be focused toward local streets which have been given a second tier priority to arterials in the program since 2010.

B. Neighborhood Safety Program Enhancements

We believe an enhancement to existing programmatic investment in this category can leverage significant safety benefits across the City. The Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program (CIP Plan No. PW-M-7) is constrained in its breadth and effectiveness by the limitations of capital allocations and staffing resources to address a backlog of neighborhood-identified traffic safety and management priorities. Other existing programs including the Minor Capital Programs for Traffic Operations, Signals & Lighting, and Collision Reduction (CIP Plan Nos. PW-M-2 & 20 and PW-R-46) could do more to enhance safety in a Vision Zero environment through additional mid-block crossings, enhanced crossings at signalized intersections, and focused attention on high-collision locations.

C. Sidewalk/Pathway and Bikeway Connectivity

Many ongoing capital programs and discrete projects systematically enhance the connectivity and safety of our transportation system, especially for non-motorized users. We believe funding for a significant enhancement to programs such as the Neighborhood Sidewalks Program (CIP Plan No. PW-W/B-76) and Pedestrian & Bicycle Access and Connections Program (PW-W/B-56) should be a priority for inclusion in a voted levy. These programs are currently unable to maintain their established work programs under the pressures of increasing public requests and project costs.

For bicycle system connectivity, again referencing our May 12 communication, we believe a significant investment in a new Bicycle Rapid Implementation Program (BRIP) is a priority and will help to meet the goals of the 2009 Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan. The BRIP would implement at least two complete and integrated North-South and two East-West priority bicycle corridors that connect the city limits and will install automated data collection systems to measure pedestrian and bicycle usage on a continual basis. BRIP emphasizes physically separated bicycle facilities intended to minimize conflicts between roadway users.

D. Neighborhood Traffic Congestion Solutions

While we understand roadway capacity projects often turn into high-cost solutions to traffic congestion at a specific intersection or along a corridor, we believe that targeted vehicle capacity projects can reduce travel time and relieve stress for residents commuting to or from home, work, shopping or recreational activities.

E. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) & Advanced Technology

We believe an enhancement to the Transportation Department's ITS Plan Implementation program (CIP Plan No. PW-R-156) will go a long way toward advancing strategies such as travel time information and parking availability applications that inform the traveling public in "real time" leading to reduced trip making and/or shortened trip distances. This investment may also better position the City of Bellevue to benefit from new technologies under development and early implementation, including systems to accommodate automated vehicles.

We will attend the City Council meeting on July 5 to provide comments on behalf of the Transportation Commission during the Regular Session agenda item 5: Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions.

Thank you for considering our recommendations and for the opportunity to serve you and the community on the Transportation Commission.

Sincerely,

Janice Zahn
Chair, Bellevue Transportation Commission

Vic Bishop, Vice-Chair
Bellevue Transportation Commission

Long Range Financial Planning

JULY 5, 2016

Toni Rezab – Interim Finance Director
Bob Hyde – Deputy City Attorney
Mark Risen – Fire Chief
Ron Kessack – Transportation Assistant Director
Mark Poch – Transportation Assistant Director

Tonight's agenda and purpose

No Action tonight

Upcoming potential council actions

Provide a summary of the feedback from the public engagement plan:

- Open Houses held June 28, 29, and 30
- On line survey (results as of July 1)
- Transportation Commission

Background

May and June – Sustained review of the long range financial capital plan. Narrowed to three areas with a public engagement plan:

- Mobility in BelRed (*through TIFIA Loan*)
- Fire Long Range Facilities
 - Remodel, Upgrade, Build Station 10, Seismic, Improve facility locations
- Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity
 - Neighborhood traffic safety, New sidewalks/trails, New bike facilities, Maintenance, Enhanced technology, Reduce neighborhood congestion

Next Steps

Timeline:

July 5 – Council Update – Summary of feedback from open houses, on line survey, and the Transportation Commission

July 11 – Direction on whether to continue to move forward with a voter approved ballot measure(s) for the November election, if yes, then also the rate, composition, and structure of the measure(s).

July 18 – Based on direction from July 11

July 25 – Earliest date of potential Council action

Potential Council Actions

If Council chooses to place measure(s) on the ballot, there are two actions:

- Adopt an ordinance – ballot language and explaining that measure
- Appoint pro and con committees that will prepare statements in favor of and in opposition to that ballot measure

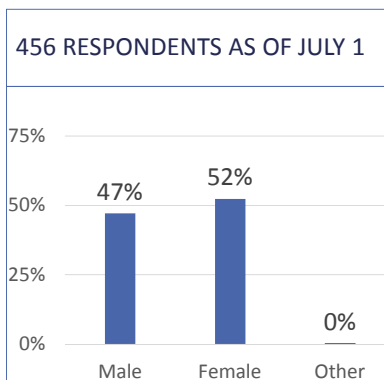
In order to be prepared for potential Council action, staff will ask members of the public to volunteer for potential pro and con committees.

If no action is taken, the committees will be disbanded.

Summary of Public Engagement as of July 1

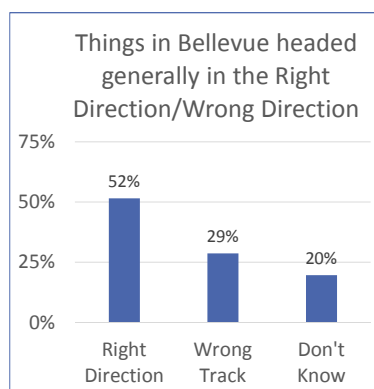
On Line Survey Interim Results

Opened: June 14
 Results: July 1 – 9am
 NextDoor, Twitter, Facebook, City of Bellevue Home page, resident mailer, and the open houses.

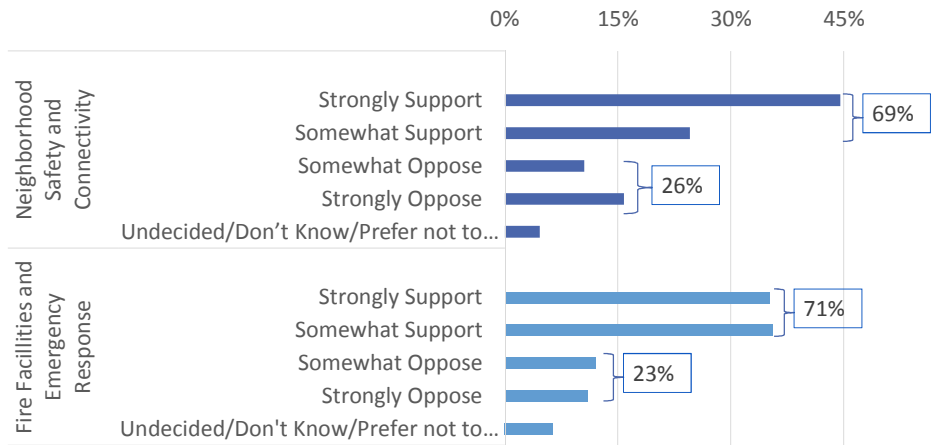


Overview Questions

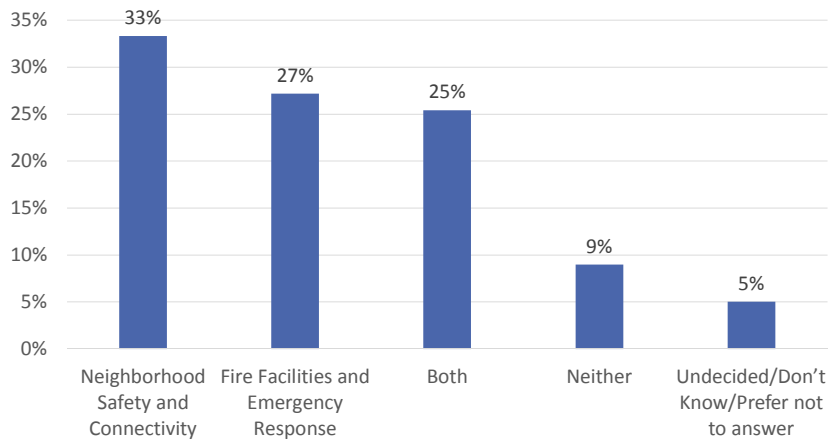
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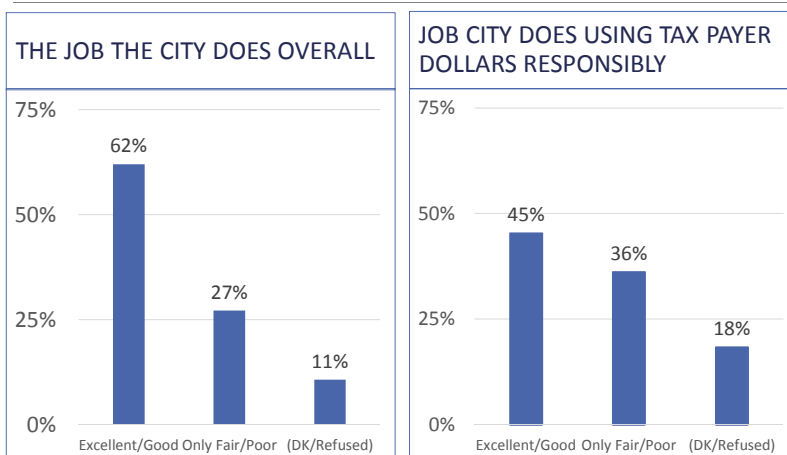
Council is considering two measures:



Which measure do you think should be a high priority?



Overall City Questions



Open Houses

- Locations and Dates:
 - June 28th – Bellevue Youth Theater
 - June 29th – South Bellevue Community Center
 - June 30th – City Hall
- 75 attendees
- Feedback options:
 - Community input card
 - On-line survey

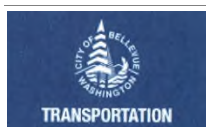


Feedback by Open House & On-Line Survey



Fire Facilities and Emergency Response	Open House Input Form (n = 39-42)	On-Line Survey (n = 456)
	% Indicating High Priority	% Indicating High Priority
Seismic Upgrades	74%	54%
Establish New Downtown Station	67%	35%
Remodel Outdated Stations	54%	27%
Existing Station Upgrades	44%	42%
Improve Facility Locations	36%	25%

Feedback by Open House & On-Line Survey



Transportation - Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity	Open House Input Form (n = 41-43)	On-Line Survey (n = 456)
	% Indicating High Priority	% Indicating High Priority
Neighborhood Safety	65%	58%
Reducing Neighborhood Congestion	63%	55%
New Sidewalks and Trails	53%	41%
Enhanced Technology for Traffic Management	48%	53%
Sidewalk and Trail Maintenance	36%	35%
New Bike Facilities	24%	29%

Transportation Commission

- Commission Chair Janice Zahn
- Commission Vice-Chair Vic Bishop

Next Steps

Timeline:

July 5 – Council Update – Summary of feedback from open houses, on line survey, and the Transportation Commission

July 11 – Direction on whether to continue to move forward with a voter approved ballot measure(s) for the November election, if yes, then also the rate, composition, and structure of the measure(s).

July 18 – Based on direction from July 11

July 25 – Earliest date of potential Council action