



# City of Bellevue | Commendation

**Whereas:** Bellevue resident Jim McEachran was appointed to the Human Services Commission in May 2012 and again in May 2015, also serving as chair in 2015 and 2016; and

**Whereas:** During Jim's eight-year tenure, the commission reviewed over 400 applications for funding nonprofit agencies with the City Human Services Fund and the federal Community Development Block Grant and recommended allocations of these funds to the City Council; and

**Whereas:** Jim represented the Human Services Commission on a variety of citizen advisory committees focusing on affordable housing, future land use vision and public safety; and

**Whereas:** As one of the founders of the St. Andrew's Housing Group — now Imagine Housing — over three decades ago, Jim is a longtime advocate for the development of affordable and attainable housing in Bellevue; and

**Whereas:** Jim was appointed to the Affordable Housing Strategy Technical Advisory Group in 2016 for his expertise in housing and human services; and

**Whereas:** Jim participated in the development of the biennial Bellevue Human Services Needs Update which gives a snapshot of health and human services needs in Bellevue; and

**Whereas:** Along with Bellevue's human services manager, Jim provided mentoring to the City of Lynnwood as they developed their first Human Services Commission; and

**Whereas:** As one of the council-appointed Wilburton Citizen Advisory Committee members between 2017 and 2018, Jim helped develop a land use, urban design and transportation vision for this unique and welcoming new urban neighborhood in Bellevue; and

**Whereas:** Through his leadership, Jim has worked as an advocate to provide a high quality of life for all Bellevue residents.

Now, therefore, I, John Chelminiak, and on behalf of the Bellevue City Council, do, this 17th day of June, in the year 2019, hereby commend:

**Jim McEachran**

for his dedication and long-standing service to the Bellevue community.

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John Chelminiak, Mayor  
City of Bellevue