



City of Bellevue | Commendation

Whereas: Mike Brennan has provided indispensable service to the City of Bellevue for 36 years, including 15 years as director of the Development Services Department; and

Whereas: After earning a bachelor's degree in construction management from Washington State University he started his career in Chelan County, joined the City of Bellevue in 1987 as a building plan reviewer, eventually becoming the building official; and

Whereas: Mike led Development Services when it was a division of Planning and Community Development before being named director of the Development Services Department when it was created in 2008; and

Whereas: Over his decades of service, Mike oversaw efforts to improve delivery of development services to customers. He worked to establish a coordinated line of business, guided the Development Services Improvement Initiative, led the department through building booms, co-founded MyBuildingPermit.com and the E-City Gov Alliance and ushered in changes in technology and paperless permitting that improved service delivery for Bellevue customers. Mike was active with the Washington Association of Building Officials and many industry and community organizations, including the Bellevue Downtown Association, Bellevue Chamber and Master Builders. He guided projects that will have lasting impact on the community – from the Downtown Livability initiative to East Link and Energize Eastside to the BelRed Rezone; and

Whereas: Mike created an environment of trust and respect among colleagues and staff throughout the city. Mike has stayed steadfastly dedicated to providing efficient, predictable, consistent and high-quality services in permitting and inspections. He has also supported, mentored and inspired hundreds of colleagues; and

Whereas: Mike will be missed for his sage counsel, honest and principled approach to leadership in addition to his Friday afternoon walk-about.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, and on behalf of the Bellevue City Council, do, this 24th day of April, in the year 2023, hereby commend:

MIKE BRENNAN

for his commitment to leadership and quality service to the Bellevue community that will be remembered by the many he worked with over his decades of service.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue