

PARKS CIP PROJECT STATUS REPORT FEBRUARY 2025

AQUATIC CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY

SplashForward is working to build organization capacity and inform fundraising feasibility to support aquatic needs. On September 17, 2024, the Council adopted the Bellevue Airfield Park Master plan, that includes a new aquatic facility. Development of the new aquatic facility will be dependent upon partners and fundraising. *Please see Bellevue Airfield Park Master Plan Update below for additional information.*

ASHWOOD PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Work continues to update the 1990 Ashwood Park Master Plan. Staff introduced the project to the Parks & Community Services Board at their March 2024 meeting. The third community meeting was held virtually on December 4, 2024. Staff shared public outreach, design alternative. Community feedback via an online survey will close January 6th. We look forward to updating the Parks & Community Services Board and seeking their recommendation of a preferred Master Plan at their February meeting.

BELLEVUE AIRFIELD PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

In October 2021, the Council directed an update of the Bellevue Airfield Master plan and evaluation of the Bellevue Airfield Park site as a potential location for a new Aquatic Facility. The Master planning process began in June 2022. On April 3, 2023, Council endorsed the community supported and Parks & Community Services Board recommended master plan and directed staff to complete environmental review. Environmental review per the State Environmental Policy Act was completed and Council adopted the Bellevue Airfield Park Master Plan at their September 17[,] 2024, meeting. The environmental review received no appeals.

KELSEY CREEK PARK BATHROOM

The Park restroom building that provides service to the picnic area, playground and farm events needs to be replaced. The restrooms were built in the early 1970's and are located in the Kelsey Creek floodplain. Work has begun to evaluate relocation and conceptual design options of the facilities. Survey and wetland delineation were performed in the Spring 2024 to assess location options. Staff will work to share information with park neighbors once plans are developed.

MERCER SLOUGH - FARM STAND

The Farm Stand at Mercer Slough replacement project is part of the Sound Transit mitigation for the light rail project. The new farm stand is a two-story building that has been designed as a

produce display/sales building with public restrooms. Construction has been completed, building occupancy approved and only minor punch-list and contract closure items are needed to conclude the project. The new farm stand is open and fresh produce is available. Warranty issues are being addressed as they occur.

MERCER SLOUGH - WINTERS HOUSE

The Winters House was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1992. The building was closed to public use in 2016 to allow for Sound Transit light rail construction along Bellevue Way and was recently released back to the City of Bellevue. Wiss, Janney and Elstner Associates, Inc. conducted an Architectural/Engineering conditions assessment to inform the needed restoration and costs to return the Winters House to its operable historic condition. Design and permitting work are underway.

MEYDENBAUER BAY PARK PHASE II DESIGN

The initial objective of the Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase II is to determine the scope of work to be included in this next phase of development. The Berger Partnership team is working with city staff and the community to help inform our next steps towards realizing the Meydenbauer Bay Park Master Plan, and implementation principles. Community outreach to build project awareness and invite participation began in the summer of 2023. A community webinar was held on Nov. 7 to share survey results, revised designs, and project phasing preferences. Staff shared an update with the Parks & Community Services Board at their January meeting and look forward to updating the City Council this spring.

PARK OPERATIONS FACILITY

As part of a City-wide initiative, staff are working to inform the design and development of a new park operations facility. The design team led by ARC Architects has completed design development. Staff will be seeking Council approval of a contract to continue design, secure permits and provide bid documents on February 28, 2025

ROBINSWOOD TENNIS CENTER EXTERIOR SIDING REPLACEMENT

The 1988 Robinwood Tennis Center exterior siding has been damaged from weather, birds, and other critters. Construction documents and permitting are complete. The project is out to bid. Bids will be opened February 13, 2025.

NEW PARK IN THE EASTGATE NEIGHBORHOOD

Preliminary planning efforts have begun on the City's newest neighborhood park in the Eastgate Neighborhood. A contract for architectural and engineering services to help design the new park has been completed with GGLO, Inc. Staff shared the new park's public engagement plans, site and neighborhood information at the first community meeting. A survey to gather the community's park preferences is underway and staff is looking forward to the next community meeting in March to share survey feedback and the resulting park plan alternatives.

PARK & NATURAL AREAS 2008 - 2028 LEVY PROJECTS SUMMARY

- Synthetic Sports field at Wilburton Hill Park: Project complete.
- Synthetic Sports field at Newport Hills Park: Project complete.
- Lewis Creek Park Picnic Area: Project complete.
- **BYT Construction:** Project complete.
- Bellevue Airfield Park: The updated Park Master Plan was adopted by Council on September 17, 2024. Best alternative procurement and contracting processes are being evaluated to best support the first, and future phases of park design, permitting and construction.
- Botanical Garden Projects:
 - Ravine Garden: Project complete.
 - Visitor Center: Project complete.
- Neighborhood Parks:
 - Bridle Trails/140th Ave property acquisition: Project complete.
 - Bridle Trails Corner Park acquisition & development: Project complete.
 - Newport Hills Tyler/Patterson acquisition: Project complete.
- Downtown Park "Complete the Circle" Development: Project complete.
- Hidden Valley/Boys & Girls Club Partnership: Project complete.
- Lake Sammamish Neighborhood Park: Property Acquisition is partially complete. Work to permit the demolition of structures owned by the park is underway.
- Surrey Downs Park Development: Project complete.