# CITY OF BELLEVUE NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FUNDED PROJECTS CURRENT STATUS As of February 24,2022

#### **EASTGATE/FACTORIA**

- Horizon Heights Streetlights: This project included the installation of three new streetlights in the Horizon Heights neighborhood. Each location required a new pole and LED streetlight, as well as connection to underground power. Project Manager: Jeremy Chin. Project completed: Summer 2018.
- Lattawood Park Lighting: This project included the installation of low-profile lighting along the trail in Lattawood Park to enhance pedestrian access and safety. Project partnered with Community Arts Program. Project Manager: Scott MacDonald. Project completed: February 2021.
- 152nd Avenue SE & 52nd Place SE Trail: This project installed a stairwell to improve the safety of, and access to, an existing trail connection from 152nd Place SE to 152nd Avenue SE. Project Manager: Chris Vandall. *Project completed: December 2016*.
- SE 38th Street Gateway Landscaping: This project removed blackberry shrubs and other vegetation along the north and south sides of SE 38th Street, between 150th Avenue SE and 154th Avenue SE. New shrubs and trees were planted, irrigation was installed, and existing sidewalks were cleaned along the south side of SE 38th Street. Along the north side of SE 38th Street, trees in poor condition were removed and replaced with new trees and shrubs, and trees in good condition were be pruned. Project Managers: Tom Kuykendall, Merryn Hearn. *Project completed: Fall 2020.*

## COUGAR MOUNTAIN/LAKEMONT

- Lewis Creek Park Wetland Buffer Enhancement: This project restored the degraded wetland buffer, east of the Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, and adjacent to the walking trail. The restoration included removing the existing, invasive vegetation and planting new, native plants. Project Manager: Rick Bailey Project completed: November 2018.
- Lakemont Boulevard SE Path: This project removed existing brush and vegetation along the east side of Lakemont Boulevard SE, between the Lewis Creek Park Trailhead and SE 62nd Street and created a six-foot wide concrete sidewalk for pedestrians. Project Manager: Dave Rendle Project completed: Summer 2019.

#### **WEST LAKE SAMMAMISH**

- West Lake Sammamish Flashing Crosswalk: This project installed a rapid rectangular flashing beacon (RRFB) crosswalk and additional streetlights on West Lake Sammamish Parkway, south of SE 26th Street, near The Little Store. This project included vegetation trimming to ensure adequate sight distance requirements. Project Manager: Olivia Aikala Project Completed: February 2018.
- **Northup Way Left Turn Lane:** This project will extend the left turn lane on Northup Way, at West Lake Sammamish Parkway, by modifying the existing median and lane configuration. Project Status: This project was absorbed into the Transportation Department West Lake Sammamish Project Phase 2.

#### NORTHEAST BELLEVUE

• 164th Ave NE Landscaping: This project will improve the appearance of the eastern side of 164th Avenue NE, between NE 8th Street and Northup Way, to support a more pleasant pedestrian experience. This project will provide landscaping in the existing grass ditch, between the street and the pathway, as well as the grassy strip between the pathway and the fence line. Project status: Project is tied to Department of Ecology grant funding. Project Managers: Tom Kuykendall, Kat Phillips Estimated Project completion: Fall 2022.

- Ardmore Playground Improvement: This project included toilet facilities, fencing and playground equipment modifications. The existing post and rail fencing around the playground were replaced with new black vinyl chain link fencing. The open entry to the play area was moved from the north side to the east side of the playground. In addition, a new playground sandbox with "digger" equipment was installed within the existing footprint of the playground area. The existing bouncers were replaced with a teeter totter. The clubhouse was replaced with a new rotating climber. These improvements were added to the scope of a planned project to replace the playground equipment. Project Manager: Lynde Wallick. Project Completed: Summer 2019.
- Ardmore Park Trail: This project provided a four-foot-wide, multi-use trail through Ardmore Park. The project included two wayfinding trail bollards and a 40-foot-long pedestrian bridge over the stream. The trail begins at the northeast corner of Ardmore Park, north of NE 26th Court and travels southwest until intersecting with the existing trail. This project brought an existing social trail into compliance with the City of Bellevue trail standards, as well as incorporated reforestation and habitat enhancement opportunities for community volunteer participation. Project Manager: Chris Vandall. Project Completed: Winter 2019.

## **BRIDLE TRAILS**

- From Re-Striping to NEW Sidewalk! NE 40<sup>th</sup> Street from 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 14500 block NE: This project will construct a sidewalk with planter strip on the north side of NE 40<sup>th</sup> Street from 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to approximately the 14500 block, filling in the missing gap. In conjunction with the sidewalk project, bike lanes will also be implemented along the NE 40<sup>th</sup> corridor. Other elements to be considered with this project will be speed radar feedback signs, a speed limit evaluation and a marked pedestrian crossing near 142<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE. This project is being made possible by utilizing the NEP funds that were voted in by the neighborhood in 2018, along with funds from the Transportation's Neighborhood Sidewalk Program and the Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity levy. Project Manager: Rebecca Lilliquist Estimated Project Completion: Summer 2023. (NEP funding \$75,750 + Transportation department budgets \$1,650,000)
- Cherry Crest Elementary Intersection Improvements: This project enhanced the three-leg intersection at 124<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and NE 32<sup>nd</sup> to encourage stop compliance and a safer pedestrian crossing condition. Project included the installation of a new streetlight on southwest corner of 124th Ave NE and NE 32nd Street and included the replacement of existing STOP signs with flashing STOP signs to enhance visibility. Crayon-themed crosswalk paint inside of existing north-south crosswalk was added. Project Manager: Jeremy Chin. *Project Completed: Summer 2020.*
- Cherry Crest Mini Park Improvements: This project will provide for various park improvements including General Improvements: Power washing of entire park site, refinish trellis at entry, repaint handrails and concrete wall letter blocks at picnic area, install a bike rack. Playground Area Improvements: Relocation and replacement of water fountain (and addition of pet fountain), replacement of play equipment and digger, replacement of poured-in-place surface at play area, removal of concrete letter blocks at play area and extend knee wall. Court Areas: Power wash courts, replace the basketball backboards and restripe court, replace the tennis court windscreen, restripe the tennis court & add striping for pickleball, refinish tennis court benches. Project Manager: Ernie Podaca. Estimated Project Completion: Fall 2022

# **NORTHWEST BELLEVUE**

Bellevue Way Landscape Enhancement: This project will provide for the beautification of the Bellevue Way streetscape on the west side of the boulevard that currently consists of common turf between curb and sidewalk and a mix of aging shrubs in right-of-way back of sidewalk. This project will remove the water inefficient turf, improve the soil and irrigation, and design and implement a landscape of plant combinations that would unify the streetscape of Northwest Bellevue. Opportunities on east side of Bellevue Way such as the Northtowne Park frontage will be researched for upgrades. Project Manager: Jay Gu. *Estimated design phase completion: Fall 2022.Estimated project completion: Fall 2023.* 

100th Ave NE and NE 18th St Raised Intersection: This project will install a raised intersection at 100th Ave NE and NE 18th St to improve visibility of pedestrians crossing the street and encourage motorists to drive at a slower speed. The raised intersection will include high visibility school crosswalks and enhanced street lighting to improve safety at this key connection point for students walking to and from schools located on 98th Ave NE. Project Manager: Daniel Lam. Estimated project completion: Summer 2023.

#### DOWNTOWN/BELRED

- NE 8th St Pedestrian Enhancements Over Interstate 405: This project will improve safety for pedestrians crossing the I-405 ramps along NE 8th St by marking crosswalks, adding rapid rectangular flashing beacons (RRFBs) and signalizing crossings at select locations. Existing concrete islands will be modified with shortened crosswalk lengths and vegetation. Excess pavement will be removed, and landscaping added to buffer pedestrians and improve the appearance of this important entrance into Downtown and BelRed. Since the overall project cost exceeds the funding allocation from NEP, other city programs will also support project implementation. Additional funding will be provided from the Enhanced ROW/Urban Boulevards (CIP CD-22) and Downtown Community Development Implementation (CIP CD-37) programs. Project Manager: Sara Haile. Estimated project completion Summer 2023.
- Downtown Park SE Corner Stairs: This project constructed a new stairway at the southeast corner of the park to allow access to the Promenade from the existing crosswalk. Park users were walking up the landscaped slope to enter the park, deteriorating the landscape. New stairs were constructed of concrete and include a metal handrail. Project Manager: Ken Kroeger. Project completed: Spring 2021.

#### LAKE HILLS

- Bat Houses at Lake Hills Greenbelt: This project will install a series of bat houses (2-5) along the Lake Hills Greenbelt trail system. Bats provide many benefits including: (1) Bats are a vital part of the ecosystems in which they live. (2) Many are considered "keystone species" because so many other plants and animals depend on them for survival. (3) Bats are predators of night-flying insects such as mosquitos, moths, beetles, and flies. Bat droppings are one of the world's best fertilizers. Also received Amazon funding. Project Manager: Jammie Kingham. *Estimated project completion: Fall 2022.*
- Wetland Improvements at Phantom Lake Park: This project will restore roughly two (2) acres of wetland buffer around Phantom Lake. Restoration will include removing invasive plant vegetation and planting native conifer trees and native shrubs to improve water quality and wildlife habitat. Project Manager: Jammie Kingham. Estimated project completion: 2022.
- Flashing Crosswalk at SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 156<sup>th</sup> Ave SE: This project will install a new marked crosswalk and a new push-activated flashing crosswalk over 156th Ave SE at SE 4th St. A new concrete bus pad will be added at existing northbound bus stop. Project will require clearing shrubs and reconstructing curb ramp on east side of the street. Project Manager: Ellen Webster. Estimated project completion: Fall 2022.

- NE 6<sup>th</sup> Wetlands Improvements (South side of NE 6th St between 148th Ave NE and 150th PI NE): This project will improve Kelsey Creek wetland habitat by removing invasive vegetation and replanting with native trees and shrubs. The focus of this project will be to introduce suitable conifer tree species within the existing tree canopy that is currently dominated with short lived, deciduous, pioneer tree species. This increase in biodiversity will provide functional lift of the existing wetland ecosystem. Project Manager: Rick Bailey. Estimated project completion: December 2022.
- Main Street Median Landscape Refurbishment: This project will include landscape renovation and beautification to the medians on Main Street between 140th Ave NE and 156th Ave NE. This project will replace the existing landscaping where practical, with plant selection to specifically avoid sight distance problems and enhance neighborhood character. Existing trees will remain in place. Actual areas to be renovated will be determined after investigation of the site and any determination of future impacts to the area. Irrigation will be upgraded to a more efficient system to further water conservation goals. Project Manager: Tom Kuykendall. Estimated project completion: Fall 2022.

# Robinswood Park Adult Exercise Equipment

This project added six pieces of adult exercise equipment like those at Wilburton Park Play Area. Project included curbing and surfacing. Project Manager: Ernie Podaca. *Project completed: March 2021.* 

#### **CROSSROADS**

# NE 8th Tree Replacement

Location: NE 8th from 136th Ave NE to 164th Ave NE

This project will replace the missing or dying flowering pear trees on NE 8th. This project will use a phased approach of tree replacement over the course of a few years using a mixture of attractive street trees known to thrive in our area. New irrigation systems will be installed to replace the current older system. Project Manager: Tom Kuykendall. *Estimated project completion: Fall 2023.* 

# 148th Avenue NE Beautification

Location: 148th Ave NE between NE 8th and BelRed Road

This project would provide for the beautification of 148th Ave NE on both sides of the road between the curb and the sidewalk. This project would focus on improvements to the areas adjacent to the road by removing degraded water inefficient grass, improving soil conditions, and designing and installing plant combinations. Plants would be chosen for their attractiveness, low maintenance and reduced water use. Project Manager: Tom Kuykendall. *Estimated project completion: Fall 2022.* 

#### 140th Ave NE and NE 14th St Street Light

This project will install a new PSE-owned and maintained LED streetlight on the Southeast corner of 140th Ave NE and NE 14<sup>th</sup> St over the existing crosswalk. On-going electricity costs will be paid for by the city. Project Manager: Max Scheideman. *Estimated Project completion: Spring 2022*.

# **WILBURTON**

## Wilburton Corner Street Lighting

This project will install new LED streetlights on existing PSE utility poles at select intersections of neighborhood streets in the Wilburton area. Up to six (6) new streetlights will be installed. Ongoing electricity costs will be paid for by the city. **Project Manager:** Max Scheideman *Estimated project completion: Summer 2022.* 

#### Wilburton Hill Park Ivy Out

This project will involve the removal of non-native English ivy (Hedera helix) from natural forested areas within Wilburton Hill Park. The scope of work will involve removal of English ivy from the forest floor and removal of ivy growing up existing native trees. Although ivy will be the primary target, other non-native invasive weeds such as hawthorn, Himalayan blackberry and periwinkle will also be removed. All the

areas impacted by the removal of invasive weeds will be replanted with native trees and shrubs that are suitable for site conditions. The new plantings will be watered and maintained by city staff until they are established and self-sustainable. This project will result in a more diverse and healthy forest ecosystem at Wilburton Hill Park that will enhance wildlife habitat and improve ecosystem functions. Project Manager: Rick Bailey *Estimated project completion: December 2023.* 

# Kelsey Pollinator Interpretive Display at Kelsey Creek Park

This project will create a living, interactive interpretive exhibit at Kelsey Creek Farm. The exhibit will include an observation hive, interpretive signage, and possibly incorporate installation of non-stinging mason bee nests in the park. Bees are excellent pollinators and essential for life on earth. Bees alone are responsible for about one-third of the food we eat. Agriculture is highly dependent on honeybees. Honeybee populations have been in decline for the past decade Project Manager: Jammie Kingham *Estimated project completion: Spring 2023* 

#### **WEST BELLEVUE**

# Chism Beach Park Invasive Vegetation Removal & Native Planting

This project will remove non-native invasive vegetation from natural forested areas within Chism Beach Park. The scope of work will include removal of English ivy, Himalayan blackberry, English Holly, English Laurel, and other invasive vegetation from the forest floor. All the areas impacted by the removal will be replanted with native trees and shrubs that are suitable for site conditions. The new plantings will be watered and maintained by city staff until they are established and self-sustainable. This project will result in a more diverse and healthy forest ecosystem at Chism Beach Park that will enhance wildlife habitat and improve ecosystem functions. **Project Manager: Rick Bailey Estimated project completion: Fall 2025** 

#### Street and Stair Lighting to South Bellevue Light Rail Station

SE 28th St between 108th Ave SE and 110th Ave SE; SE 28th PL east of 110th Ave SE; Stairs Lighting from 11400 blk of SE 28th PI to 2800 blk of 112th Ave SE

This project will add street and stair lights between 108th Ave SE and the South Bellevue Light Rail Station. The cost will include and is not limited to electrical design, construction of light foundations, connections to existing electrical service, installation of new conduit and wiring, any necessary overhead work, and trenching. This project will require further evaluation by city staff to determine exact locations with available right-of-way, available electrical infrastructure, and feasibility. This project will consist of installation of up to two (2) new LED streetlights on existing PSE utility poles and one (1) new LED streetlight on a new PSE utility pole. The project will also include installation of up to five (5) new pedestrian-scale poles and LED light on the stairs between SE 28th PI and 112th Ave SE. Stair lights will be placed in city right-of-way and require adjacent homeowner approval. **Project Manager: Max Scheideman Estimated project completion: Spring 2023.** 

## West Bellevue Gateway and Streetscape Improvements

West Bellevue gateways and median including 108th Ave SE, Bellevue Way SE

This project will involve landscape renovation and beautification to medians and gateway locations near the Surrey Downs and Bellecrest neighborhoods. Work will focus on area currently landscaped gateways and medians that have plants that are approaching lifecycle replacement age missing or in poor condition and have a potential to remove invasive English ivy. Actual areas to be renovated will be determined after investigation of the sites and determination of opportunities and priorities. Where practical, irrigation will be upgraded to a more efficient system to further water conservation goals.

Plants will be chosen specifically to avoid sight distance problems and enhance neighborhood character. **Project Manager: Tom Kuykendall Estimated project completion: Fall 2023** 

## Additional Benches in Surrey Downs Park

This project will add three (3) new cedar benches along the park's pathways that will match the existing wood benches in size (approx. 72" in length). Benches will be placed on new 4-foot by 7-foot concrete pads. **Project Manager: Ernie Podaca Estimated project completion: September 2022** 

## WOODRIDGE

# Woodridge Trail Enhancements

Woodridge/ McTavish Trail

This project will include installation of trail drainage to help with trail water issues in the winter. Trail surfacing for the entire system. The addition of a bike rack and gravel pad at the SE 13th trailhead. The installation of Mutt Mitt dog waste stations and a trash receptacle at each trailhead and the installation of trail bridge deck grip plates to all bridges in system to alleviate the potential for slippery surfaces during the winter rainy season. **Project Manager: Chris Vandall Estimated project completion: Fall 2023** 

# Woodridge SE 8th Gateway Entrance Landscaping

121st Ave SE from SE 8th St to SE 10th St

This project will provide new landscaping along 121st Ave SE between SE 8th St and SE 10th SE, with emphasis around the Woodridge Entrance sign. The plantings will replace aging, dead and dying plants, fill in missing locations, and replant in areas impacted by construction. The existing irrigation system will have minor updates to include water conserving technologies. **Project Manager: Tom Kuykendall Estimated project completion: Fall 2023** 

## Richards Creek Open Space Invasive Vegetation Removal & Native Planting

Richards Creek Open Space, 1640 Richards Rd

This project will involve the removal of non-native invasive vegetation from natural wetland areas within Richards Creek Open Space. The scope of work will involve the removal of non-native invasive vegetation from the Richards Creek riparian buffers. All the areas impacted by the removal of invasive vegetation will be replanted with native trees and shrubs that are suitable for site conditions. This project will result in a more diverse and healthier wetland ecosystem that will enhance wildlife habitat and improve ecosystem functions. **Project Manager: Rick Bailey Estimated project completion: Fall 2024** 

# Residential Street Lights at three selected locations

SE 16th PI between 121st Ave SE and 123rd Ave SE, 121st Ave SE between SE 15th St and SE 16th PI and 127th Ave SE between SE 20th PI and SE 23rd St

This project will install up to three (3) new PSE owned and maintained LED streetlights within the street limits detailed in the locations above. The new poles will reside in City of Bellevue right-of-way and light public streets. City of Bellevue lighting engineer will determine exact streetlight placement based on available right-of-way, available power, and relation to underground utilities. New streetlights require adjacent homeowner approval prior to installation. Project costs will include new poles, new LED

streetlights, all necessary trenching and wiring, and property restoration. All work will be conducted by Puget Sound Energy. **Project Manager: Max Scheideman Estimated project completion:Spring 2023.** 

# **NEWPORT & SOMERSET**

NEP is in neighborhood areas in 2022

# **AMAZON FUNDED PROJECTS (3)**

Three additional projects will be funded by Amazon: Crossroads Art, NE 8<sup>th</sup> Children's Tiles and Bel/Red Mini Off-Leash Dog Park.