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TO: Mayor Robinson and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: Award Recognition for the Mobility Implementation Plan

It is a pleasure to share the news that a major City of Bellevue transportation plan has been honored with another award recognizing innovative work to create a better mobility future for people in Bellevue.

The Governor's Smart Community Award (GSCA) recognizes outstanding efforts of local communities to create vibrant and livable communities by achieving the goals of the Growth Management Act. Previously, the Puget Sound Regional Council awarded the City a ***VISION 2050 Planning Ahead*** award for the MIP, presented to the Council on June 27.

Bellevue was awarded the ***2022 Smart Community Award*** for the Mobility Implementation Plan (MIP). Council adopted this plan on April 18 on the recommendation from the Transportation Commission. The award, in the category of Smart Projects, recognizes Bellevue's achievement in developing a plan that is an outstanding model for other local governments in Washington.

About the plan

The Bellevue MIP is a new performance measurement and prioritization system that aligns transportation investments with the City's land use vision. The MIP provides the platform for Bellevue to meet the multimodal future envisioned locally in the Comprehensive Plan in a way that implements the Growth Management Act, ensuring Washington state is a great place to live, work and play. The MIP identifies a suite of multimodal metrics and tools to build out a complete and connected transportation system to meet existing needs and expected growth.

The MIP coalesces more than a decade of work to develop policies and implementation strategies which clearly articulate how to build, maintain and operate the planned multimodal transportation system in support of four goals: Improve Safety; Consider Equity; Support Growth; and Improve Access and Mobility.

Thanks to the Transportation Commission, the Council and staff from multiple City departments for their input and direction. Kevin McDonald, AICP, Principal Planner in the Transportation Department, served as the project manager to this important work.