

# PARKS CIP PROJECT STATUS REPORT FEBRUARY 2023

## AQUATIC CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY

SplashForward is working to build organization capacity and inform fundraising feasibility to support aquatic needs. As directed by Council, City staff is working to update the Bellevue Airfield Park Master Plan to both hear the community's development preferences and to evaluate the impacts of an Aquatic Center on the site. Bellevue Airfield Park is the only, undeveloped City Park large enough to support the preferred Bellevue Aquatic Center concept. Please see Bellevue Airfield Park Master Plan Update for additional information.

## ASHWOOD PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Given vacancies in key positions across city departments involved and many competing city priorities, the Ashwood Park master plan update was delayed. We anticipate initiating work on this project and look forward to working with the Community to update the Master Plan in summer 2023.

## BELLEVUE AIRFIELD PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

In October 2021, Council directed evaluation of the Bellevue Airfield Park site as a potential location for a new Aquatic Facility. The Master Plan update process began in June 2022 and is anticipated to take approximately two years and will conclude with Council's adoption of an updated Bellevue Airfield Park Master Plan. Project information, surveys and regular updates are available on the City's project website throughout the duration of the project. Following the most recent community workshop on January 19th, staff shared community feedback with the Parks at the Parks and Community Services Board at their meeting on February 14, 2023. The Park Board unanimously recommended that City Council adopt the community preferred Bellevue Airfield Park Concept #2 with the following modifications adding picnic shelters and further evaluation of including pickleball court cover and full basketball court.

## BRIDLE TRAILS - NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARK ON 140TH AVE

Construction documentation and permitting work is complete. The project is out for Public Bid. Bid opening is scheduled for March 9 with an anticipated construction start in early May. Additionally, name suggestions for this new park are being sought on the City's project website. Staff is working to keep the Bridle Trails Community Club up to date on the project.

## DOWNTOWN PARK - NE GATEWAY CONSTRUCTION

The Gateway Plaza was opened to the public the first week of June 2021. Installation of the new public art sculpture began January 2023 and is anticipated to be complete in April. We look forward to celebrating the completion of the Downtown Park NE Plaza, and newest public

art piece enhancing the Grand Connection experience this Spring 2023.

## EASTGATE PARK ACCESS TO SOUTH BELLEVUE COMMUNITY CENTER

This project provides for a new ADA compliant pedestrian access from the Newport Way sidewalk/crosswalk to the South Bellevue Community Center. Construction of this project is anticipated to begin Spring 2023 when spring weather is dry enough to support hillside construction.

## ENATAI BEACH PARK – BOAT HOUSE ROOF RENOVATION

This publicly bid project included roof replacement and repair and replacement of damaged structural elements. Completion of the guard rail, large trellis beam, and painting is complete. This project is substantially complete with final punch list items in progress.

#### HEARING ACCESSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC SPACES

This project involves installing and updating hearing assistance systems in six park facilities: Work has been completed to expand hearing assistance services at North Bellevue, Crossroads, and Highland Community Centers, the Botanical Garden Gift Shop, and the Northwest Arts Center. Work at the Botanical Garden Visitor Center has just been completed.

## MEYDENBAUER BAY PARK PHASE II DESIGN

The initial objective of the Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase II Design project is to determine the scope of work to be included in this next phase of development. The City has issued an architectural and engineering request for qualifications and contract negotiations are underway. Staff is looking forward to working with the Community spring 2023 to help inform our next steps towards realizing the Meydenbauer Bay Park Master Plan, and implementation principles.

## NEWPORT HILLS WOODLAWN PARK

The Newport Hills Woodlawn Park grand opening celebration was held on Oct. 15 with an estimated 400 residents attending. The Park is officially open and final SE 60<sup>th</sup> frontage improvements will be complete in early March. The fenced off-leash-area will remain closed until the grass is fully established – estimated spring 2023.

#### NEWPORT HILLS PARK TURF REPLACEMENT

This project involves the removal and replacement of the existing synthetic turf in the soccer and baseball field and fencing repairs and improvements. Work is scheduled to begin in early July and be complete by September.

#### PARK OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY

As part of a City-wide initiative, staff is working to inform the design and development of a new park operation & maintenance facility. The design team led by ARC Architects is currently working on program development, assessment of staff needs and site capacity.

## **ROBINSWOOD PARK – PLAY EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT**

This project includes the design and installation of new playground equipment and fall surfaces in both play areas for ages 5 - 12 years old. New playground equipment will meet current ADA requirements. Work is expected to be complete by summer of 2023.

## ROBINSWOOD TENNIS CENTER EXTERIOR SIDING REPLACEMENT

The 1988 Robinwood Tennis Center exterior siding has damage from weather, birds, and other critters. Siding that is more resistant to damage by wildlife has been chosen. Unfortunately, installation pricing came in over-budget. The project will be prepared for public bid and deferred to 2023.

#### PARK & NATURAL AREAS 2008 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: Identified as a potential Aquatic Facility site, a Master Plan update is in process.
- Botanical Garden Projects:
  - Ravine Garden: Project complete.
  - Visitor Center: Project complete.
- Neighborhood Parks:
  - Bridle Trails/140<sup>th</sup> 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 Acquistion is partially complete.
- Surrey Downs Park Development: Project complete.