



Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

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Information

Review updates to policies
in the Parks, Recreation
and Open Space element
of the Comprehensive Plan





Agenda

1. Background
2. Recommended Policy Changes
3. Next Steps

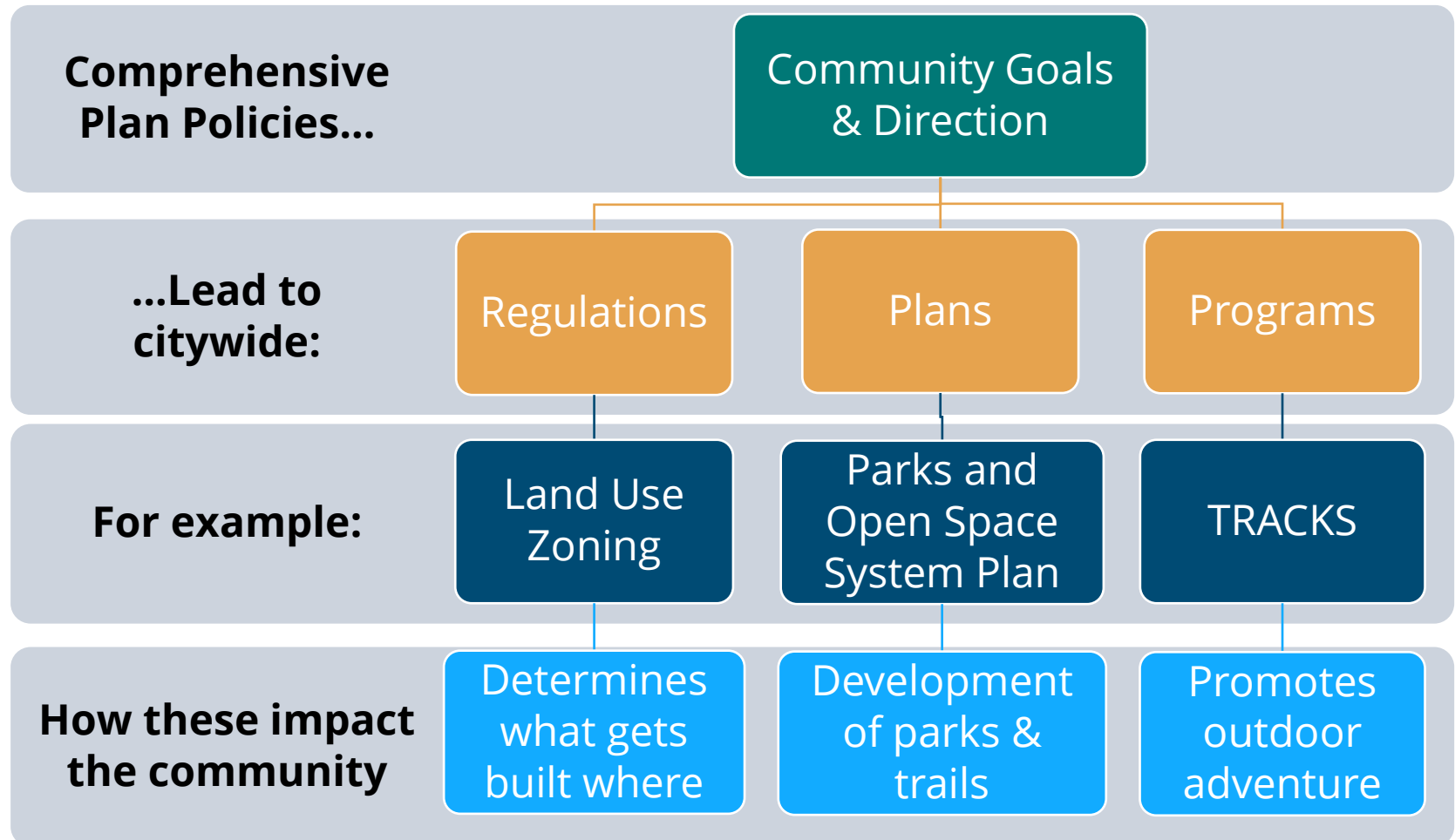


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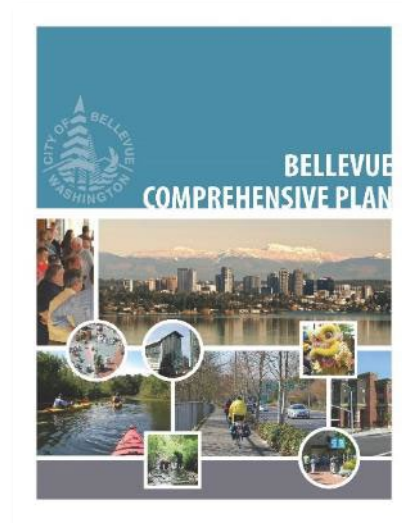
- Growth Management Act
- City code (3.62.070.B): PCSB participate in update
- Contents of Plan:
 - 20-year vision for growth (2024-2044)
 - Guides City policy, actions and investments
 - Includes Vision and 13 Elements (chapters): Parks, Recreation & Open Space



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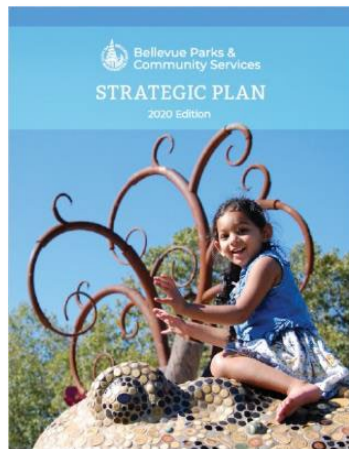
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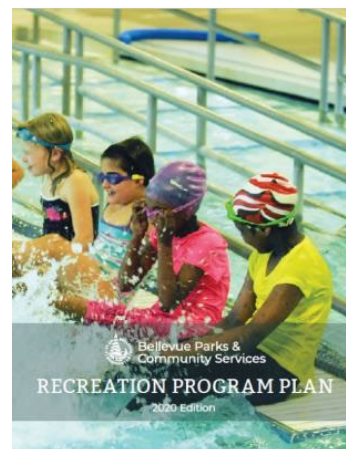
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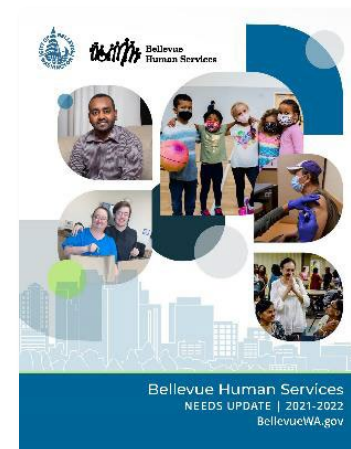
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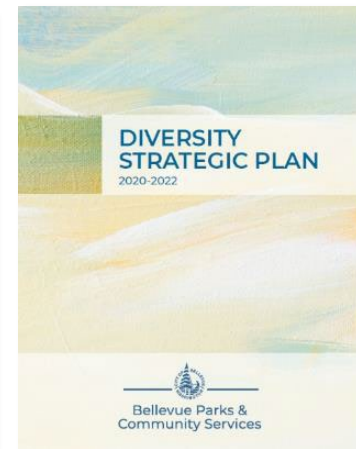
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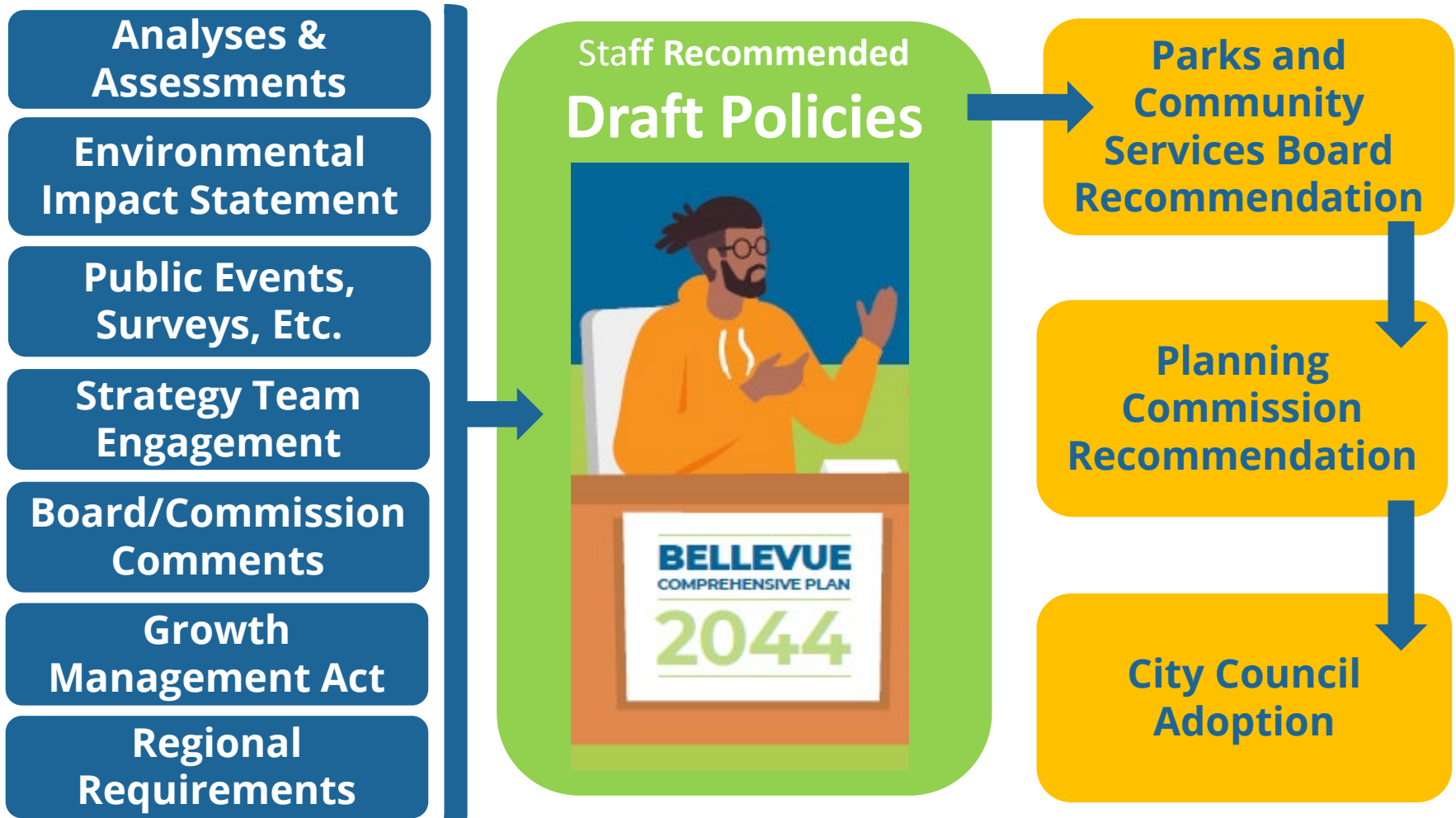
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Background

* Q2 2022	Update the Vision
Q3 2022	
* Q4 2022	Lay the Foundation
Q1 2023	
Q2 2023	Discuss Options
Q3 2023	
* Q4 2023	Refine Map & Policies
* Q1 2024	
Q2 2024	Recommend & Adopt
Q3 2024	

- **February 28, 2022** – Council launched Periodic Update
- **April 20, 2022** – Board introduced to scope of update to the Parks, Recreation and Open Space element
- **November 8, 2022** – Board reviewed major changes
- **January 9** – Board will review specific changes to the policies in the element
- **February 13** – Board will make a recommendation to Planning Commission on the policy changes in the element

Background



Background

- Communicated with **over 5,000 community members**
- Targeted outreach to under-represented groups
- Statistically valid survey
- Strategy Team knowledge and experience
- Taking into account:
Existing and future residents & businesses



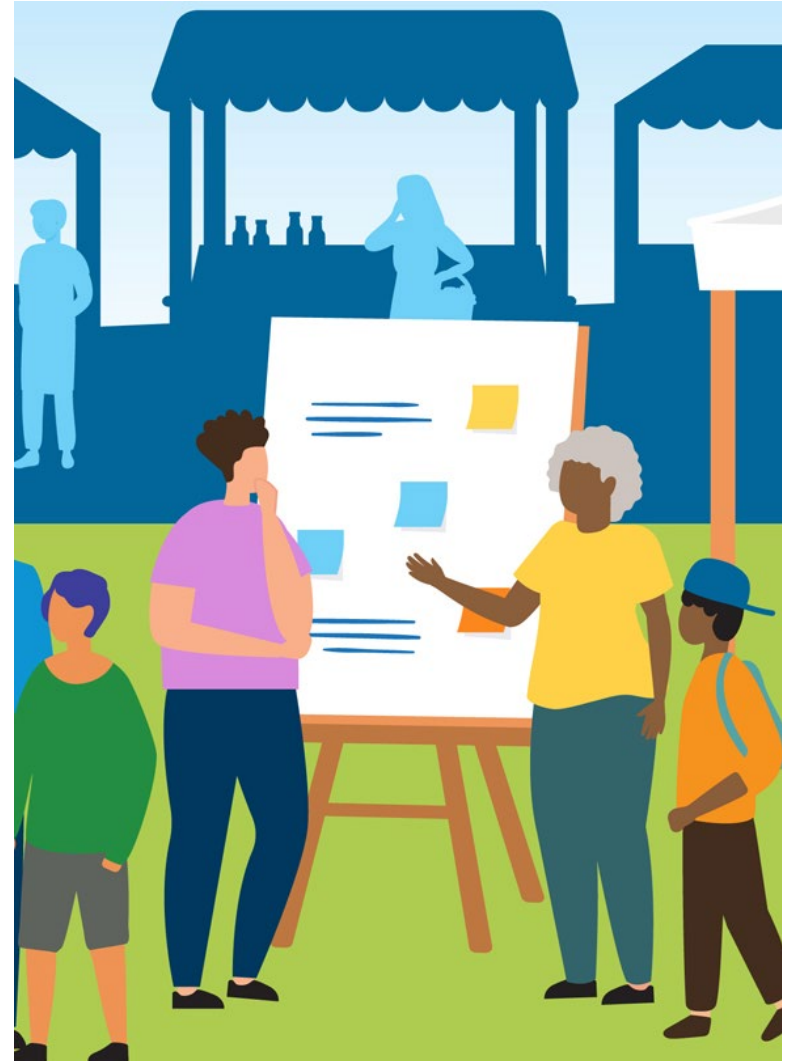
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Community Open House

- January 20, 10am – 1pm

Engaging Bellevue

- Survey opens January 15



Recommended Policy Changes

- Parks & Open Space System
- Recreation & Community Services
- Stewardship
- Maintenance, Renovation & Redevelopment



Parks & Open Space System

Meet the needs of diverse users as the city grows.

Policy Number	Change
PA-2	Updated to reference keeping pace with growth and the Parks and Open Space System Plan.
PA-3	Updated to include consideration for underserved areas and areas experiencing growth.
PA-4	Added to ensure maximization of space is considered in park development.
PA-17	Added to include emerging facility needs.
PA-18	Updated to emphasize community involvement in the planning process.

Parks & Open Space System

Guide the development of major multi-purpose facilities.

Policy Number	Change
PA-15	Updated to emphasize the role Eastrail plays in the parks system.
PA-20	Added to ensure planning for public gathering spaces.
PA-21	Added to support development of facilities along the Grand Connection beyond active transportation.



Parks & Open Space System

Support safe connections to parks.

Policy Number	Change
PA-5	Added to support access to parks

Discussion of policies in this subsection.

Rec. & Community Services

Ensure facilities have inclusive access and design and include outreach to diverse communities.

Policy Number	Change
PA-25	Updated to use more inclusive language and focus on role of parks.
PA-31	Updated to include detail on responding to the community's needs through outreach and evaluation.
PA-32	

Discussion of policies in this subsection.

Stewardship

Support, enhance and restore the function of natural systems.

Policy Number	Change
PA-34	Added to support ecological management practices related to stormwater.
PA-36	Added to support tree canopy policies.
PA-37	Added to support restoration opportunities.

Stewardship

Provide education about climate change.

Policy Number	Change
PA-39	Updated to include climate change based on a recommendation in the Climate Vulnerability Assessment.

Support a streetscape emblematic of “City in a Park”

Policy Number	Change
PA-39	Updated to focus on streetscapes.

Discussion of policies in this subsection.

Maintenance, Renovation & Redevelopment



Use sustainable materials for facilities.

Policy Number	Change
PA-43	Added to direct the city to lead by example in the construction and renovation of buildings to have minimal negative impacts on the environment.

Discussion of policies in this subsection.



Next Steps

1. Staff will address suggested changes
2. Staff will summarize community input
3. Recommend policy changes to Planning Commission at February 13 meeting

