



Bellevue Planning Commission

ATTACHMENT 2

Guiding Principles Part II – Further Discussion Notes

1. We are here to serve the community and need a section on community. It should also encompass the motto of the city “Bellevue welcomes the world, our diversity is our strength”. To do so we need to learn who, and about the people our decisions impact. Current residents and new comers.
2. Respect our past and history, appreciate the present and embrace the future responsibly in all decision making.
3. Challenge ourselves to have courageous conversations about the changes in our community, what they mean from a land use and zoning perspective and how we can serve the community to meet their needs and not what we want or think they want.
4. We serve the community and the city and are not at the table to drive our personal or political agendas.
5. Expect and embrace diversity and different, cultural norms in the community we represent and serve, and challenge ourselves to understand how this diversity impacts our work as commissioners
6. Acknowledge, examine pre-conceived assumptions, and embrace discomfort in our discussions. We may not agree on how to best serve the community, but we all care and want the best for the community at the end.
7. We are all in this together. Remember the three-legged stool of community, commission and staff.