

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 6334

AN ORDINANCE adopting the Vision Zero (16-140007AC) 2016 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Bellevue, pursuant to Chapter 36.70A RCW (Growth Management Act, as amended) and Chapter 35A.63 RCW; and establishing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Bellevue on December 6, 1993 as subsequently amended, as required by the Growth Management Act of 1990, as amended; and also adopted the Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Chapter 35A.63 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act authorizes the City to, among other things, amend the Comprehensive Plan on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the City Council initiated a proposal to amend the Transportation Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan to address Vision Zero, which is an effort to reduce traffic deaths and serious injury collisions on the City's streets to zero by the year 2030 (the "2016 Vision Zero CPA"), for consideration with the 2016 annual Comprehensive Plan amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has held public meetings and a public hearing pursuant to legally-required notice on the proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and has recommended approval to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered and discussed the proposed annual amendment to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue has complied with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act (Chapter 43.21C RCW) and the City Environmental Procedures Code (Chapter 22.02 BMC); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the Comprehensive Plan consistent with the foregoing; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Planning Commission's recommended amendments to the Transportation Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan regarding Vision Zero, which are set forth in Attachment A to this ordinance, are hereby adopted.

Section 2. The City Council finds that the 2016 Vision Zero CPA has met the Comprehensive Plan amendment decision criteria contained in the Land Use Code (Part 20.301); that the amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and other goals and policies of the City; that the amendment addresses the interests and changed needs of the entire City as identified in its long-range planning and policy documents; that the amendment addresses significantly changed conditions since the last time the pertinent Comprehensive Plan map or text was considered; that if a site-specific amendment, the subject property is suitable for development in general conformance with adjacent land use, the surrounding development pattern, and with zoning standards under the potential zoning classifications; and that the proposed amendment demonstrates a public benefit and enhance the public health, safety and welfare of the City.

Section 3. The City Council finds that public notice was provided for all 2016 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as required by LUC 20.35.400 for Process IV amendments to the text of the Land Use Code and Comprehensive Plan.

Section 4. The Comprehensive Plan adopted pursuant to Chapter 35A.63 RCW, to the same extent and in the same respect as the Comprehensive Plan required by the Growth Management Act of 1990, as amended, is amended consistent with Section 1 of this ordinance and the separate ordinances referenced therein.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and legal publication. This ordinance and the Comprehensive Plan shall be available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Passed by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016  
and signed in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2016.

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John Stokes, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Lori M. Riordan, City Attorney

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Attest:

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Kyle Stannert, City Clerk

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## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Planning Commission Recommendation (11/09/16) Vision Zero Policies 2016 Comprehensive Plan Amendment**

#### **Transportation Element**

##### **Roadways Chapter**

- **TR-55.** Maintain a collision reduction program to identify high collision locations, evaluate and prioritize potential safety improvements and implement recommended changes.
- **TR-61.1.** Strive to achieve zero traffic deaths and serious injuries on Bellevue streets by 2030.
- **TR-61.2.** Develop a programmatic approach to Vision Zero that integrates components of Education; Encouragement, Enforcement; Engineering; Equity; and Evaluation.
- **TR-61.3.** Design and manage streets to foster safe and context-appropriate behavior of all roadway users.

##### **Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Chapter**

**Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation** - *Policies that address increasing the opportunities to provide people with safe, comfortable, protected and connected pedestrian and bicycle facilities in Bellevue.*

- **TR-116.1.** Strive to provide separation between motorized vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists, as feasible, reasonable and appropriate to the context, while maintaining adopted level-of-service standards for all modes.

## Accompanying Narrative in the Transportation Element

### Vision Zero

Bellevue City Council Resolution 9035 (December 7, 2015) endorsed Vision Zero – recognizing that death and serious injury on city streets is unacceptable and preventable. Policies related to Vision Zero are integrated throughout the Transportation Element to support implementing context-appropriate traffic safety measures for all travel modes and to emphasize protecting the most vulnerable users. In a comprehensive, coordinated and programmatic manner, Bellevue will maintain, enhance and monitor progress in a citywide effort to achieve zero traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2030.

#### WHAT IS VISION ZERO?

Vision Zero is an approach to traffic safety that has the ultimate goal of ending traffic deaths and serious injuries. It is a framework for a multi-faceted approach to create a transportation system that is safe for all users, especially for those people who are the most vulnerable. Components of a Vision Zero programmatic approach to safety include several categories of actions: Education; Encouragement; Enforcement; Engineering; Equity; and Evaluation.