## Neighborhood Area Planning



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Bellevue is a city of diverse neighborhoods, each with its own unique and distinct character.

Neighborhoods have a prominent place in the Comprehensive Plan:

- -Neighborhoods Element
- -Subarea Plans



#### Neighborhood plans will be:

- Based on the Comprehensive Plan
- Strategic and action-focused
- A ground-up community process



Throughout the process, residents will partner with the City to:

-Identify the unique and distinct character of their neighborhoods

-Envision and plan for their future

#### Attachment B

#### Neighborhood Area Planning PROCESS TIMELINE

#### Phase 1

DISCOVERY September-November

#### Phase 2

DEVELOP AND REFINE STRATEGIES November-April

#### Phase 3

REVIEW AND VALIDATION April-June

#### Phase 4

CITY REVIEW AND
ACTION
September-

September-December



Share information and identify neighborhood priorities

"Let's get to know each other and share what we know"



Strategic solutions and and initiatives

"Let's develop our plan for the the future"



Share initiatives and resolve issues

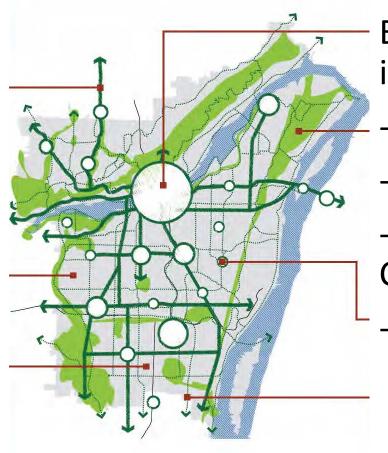
"Help shape our recommended plan"



Legislative process, hearings and action

"Share your thoughts about the draft plan with Planning Commission and City Council"





Each Neighborhood Area Plan will include:

- -A community profile
- -A neighborhood opportunities map
- -Its relationship to the larger Comprehensive Plan
- -Vision, goals and strategies

#### **TENETS**



- Be on the ground, in the neighborhoods.
- Listen to the community.
- Have a conversation with the community.
- Understand the community.
- Organic and home grown is important.



New plans will have:

- -Key priorities and initiatives
- -Neighborhood-based actions to help support neighborhood and citywide priorities
- -Updated information to inform Comprehensive Plan updates
- -A strong sense of ownership

### THE NEXT STEP



Every neighborhood is impacted by internal and external changes:

- -Increases in traffic
- -Loss of tree canopy
- -More and larger buildings
- -Demographics
- -Housing affordability

#### THE NEXT STEP



Every neighborhood area deserves a plan, and a plan will be done for every neighborhood area.

Two plans will be completed each year.

## THE NEXT STEP – SEQUENCING



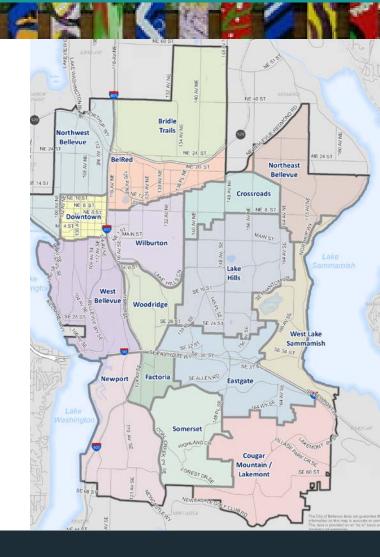
Choosing where to begin can be challenging:

Every neighborhood has its own unique circumstances.

## PLAN SEQUENCING

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

- 1. Subarea plan age
- 2. Growth and development:
  - a) New single family residential permits
    - i. Undeveloped land;and
    - ii. Infill development
  - b) New commercial & multi-family permits

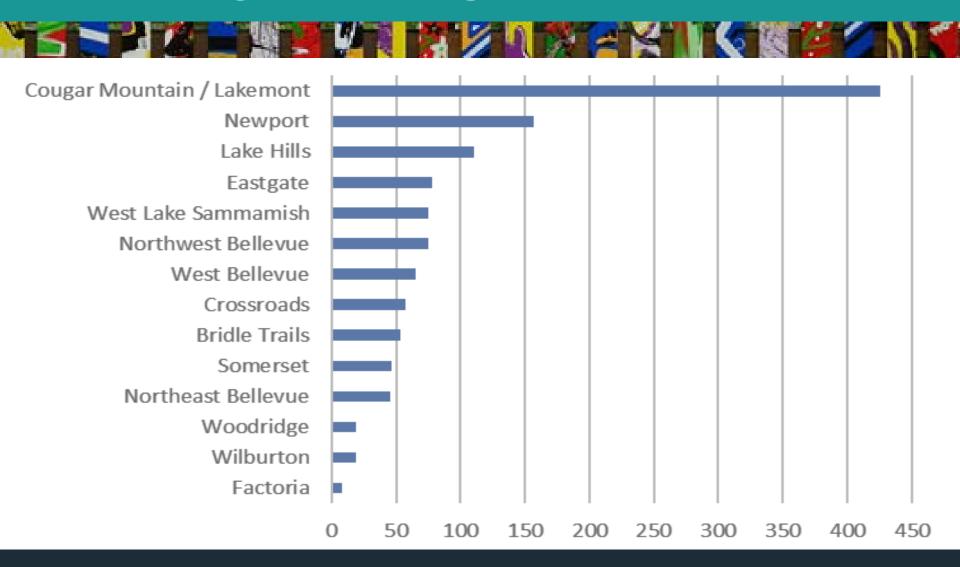


### SUBAREA PLAN AGE

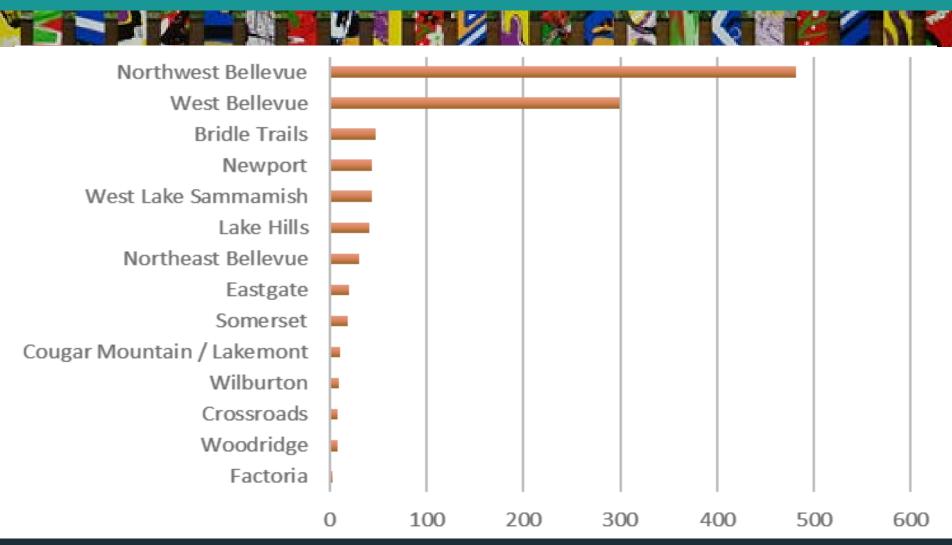
- Based on date of adoption
- Subarea plan that corresponds to neighborhood area
- Some date back to mid-1980s
- Most recent plans were completed in the mid-1990s



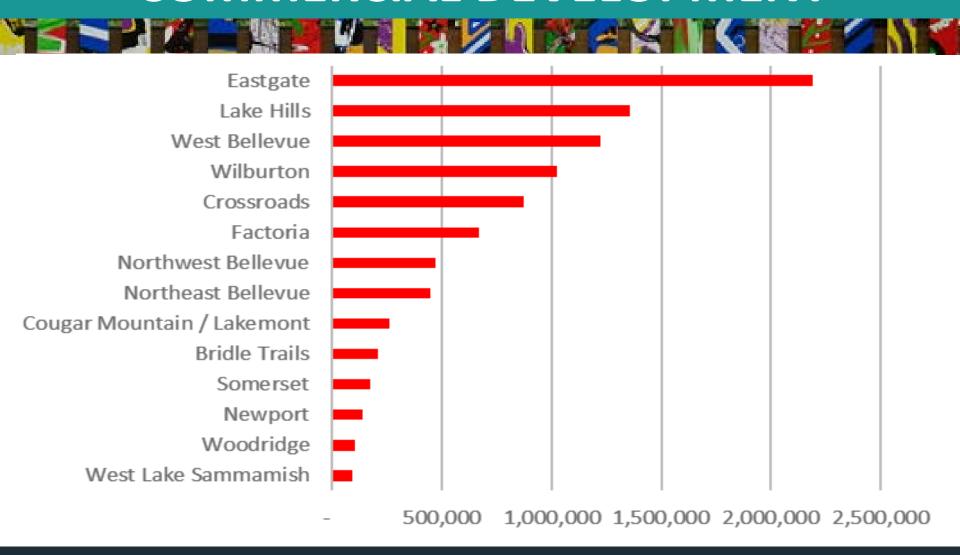
## NEW RESIDENCES – UNDEVELOPED LAND



# NEW RESIDENCES – INFILL DEVELOPMENT



## MULTIFAMILY & COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT



#### **FINDINGS**

#### Highest ranked areas:

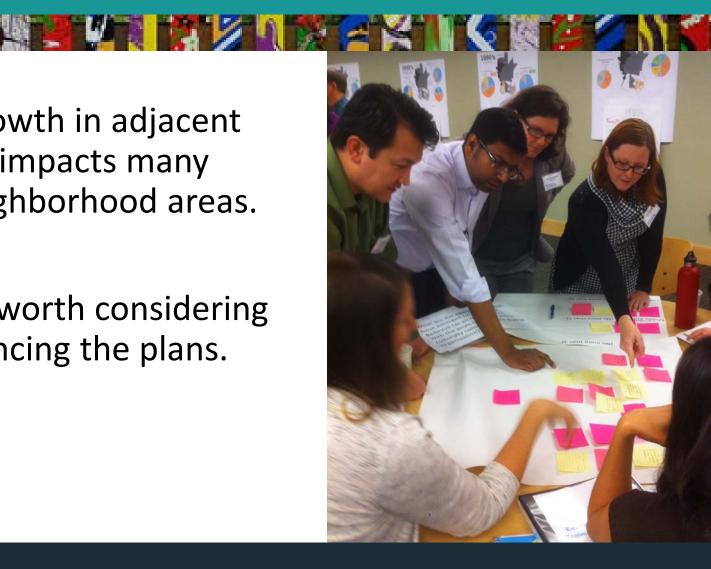
- 1. Northwest Bellevue
- 2. Crossroads
- 3. Lake Hills
- 4. West Lake Sammamish



#### POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL FACTOR

The rapid growth in adjacent jurisdictions impacts many Bellevue neighborhood areas.

This may be worth considering when sequencing the plans.



### POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL FACTOR

Neighborhood areas experiencing these impacts, particularly:

- Northeast Bellevue, Crossroads (impacted by growth in Redmond)
- Newport (impacted by growth in Newcastle)

#### **OPTION 1 - ACTION**



Initiate comprehensive plan amendments for preparation of the:

- Northwest Bellevue and Crossroads neighborhood area plans in 2018/2019, and
- Lake Hills and West Lake Sammamish neighborhood area plans in 2019/2020.

#### **OPTION 2 - ACTION**



Initiate comprehensive plan amendments for preparation of the:

- Northwest Bellevue and Crossroads neighborhood area plans in 2018/2019, and
- Direct staff to return in 2019 with updated ranking information incl. growth from surrounding cities for Council to consider before initiating 2019/2020 plans.

#### RECOMMENDATION



Option 1 – Initiate plan amendments for 4 neighborhood area plans.

2018/2019: Northwest Bellevue and Crossroads

2019/2020: Lake Hills and West Lake Sammamish

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