CD-22 Enhanced Right of Way and Urban Boulevards (ERUB)

Category: Bellevue: Great Places Where Y Status: Ongoing Department: CD Location: Various

Programmed Expenditures									
Programmed /	Appropriated	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
Expenditures	To Date	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	_Budget_	Budget	Budget	
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Description and Scope									

To make enhancements to the public right of way that help to create a cohesive yet distinct system of greenways and boulevards that provide multiple benefits and functions for our community; and for consultant expertise in the fields of urban design, landscape architecture, public art and for implementation and installation. This program improves the character, function, and value of community streetscapes while lowering maintenance costs and liabilities; and utilizes collaboration across departments, workgroups and projects to improve upon the design, functionality, and aesthetics of many planned Transportation, Parks and Community Development projects. This collaboration yields better City projects and significantly reduces overall City costs by taking advantage of work already planned by the original project – this can include mobilization during construction, traffic control and permitting, roadway overlay, water meters, irrigation, and other elements. This program also works with the community to achieve enhancements that support neighborhood character and identity, City Council's vision and priorities, increased tree canopy in the right of way, and reductions in the environmental impacts of streetscapes. Work will include restoring nadequate or failed roadside vegetation with suitable landscaping, improving the environmental performance and user safety of key neighborhood and city connections, improving the experience and image of the city and supporting neighborhood character by incorporating enhanced design and art features that improve the overall appearance and promote multimodal use throughout Bellevue. Examples of possible design elements and features include: greenways that support connectivity and multimodal use, innovative designs that increase on-site runoff infiltration, medians and other streetscape infrastructure that improves safety and reduces long term costs, enhanced andscaping, special lighting and sidewalk design, urban design elements, and public art. Upcoming projects include: Lake to Lake Trail Design Guidelines and Implementation, construction of medians with Transportation's planned overlay program, supplemental funding for an approved Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) project to develop corridor landscaping along Bellevue Way north of Downtown, public art highlighting BelRed's stream corridors as they meet streets, installation of a innovative pilot sidewalk design that increases pervious area in locations where pervious sidewalk isn't an option on 164th Ave NE (also collaborating with NEP and with additional funds rom a Department of Ecology grant for stormwater design), a fund to increase tree canopy in the right of way, and collaboration with an nterdepartmental initiative to improve pedestrian connectivity and safety from Downtown across I-405 into Wilburton on NE 8th.

Rationale

This proposal will work to enhance the city's largest asset – right of way and boulevards, through collaborative long term and short-term cost saving measures. Maintenance and enhancements to streetscapes, as Bellevue's most used public space, is critical in shaping the experience of residents and workers, and attracting new businesses to Bellevue. With the tremendous growth and change Bellevue is experiencing, this planning and implementation effort capitalizes on opportunities soon lost to affect the livability, safety, and aesthetics of Bellevue's most distinctive asset. Projects work to harness technological innovation in Bellevue's infrastructure, and to promote a sense of civic pride while providing enhanced mobility options and environments.

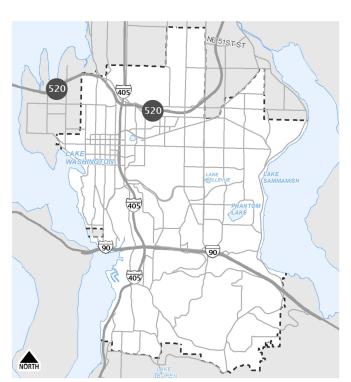
Environmental Impacts

Improvements resulting from this project typically have a positive impact on environmental health.

Operating Budget Impacts

Operating costs for this program will be determined on a project specific basis as required.

Project Map Schedule of Activities



Project Activities	From - To	Amount
Project Costs	Ongoing	8,399,180

Total Budgetary Cost Estimate:	8,399,180				
Means of Financing					
Funding Source	Amount				
General Taxes & LTGO Bond Proceeds	7,791,177				
Miscellaneous Revenue	608,003				

Total Programmed Funding: 8,399,180 **Future Funding Requirements:** 0

Comments