### 2021 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendments

### **Final Review Recommendations**

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October 25, 2021





### **Direction Needed from Council**

"...the City Council may approve, or approve with modifications an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan if Final Review Decision Criteria are met..."

- Review Planning Commission recommendations under LUC 20.30I.150 tonight in study session.
- Provide direction to staff, then take ordinance action at a future meeting.







- Annual CPA Final Review Criteria
- DASH/Glendale Recommendation
  - Seek direction from Council
- Transportation Policies/Transportation Project List Recommendation
  - Seek direction from Council



## Final Review Criteria (LUC 20.301.150)

- A. Obvious technical error in the pertinent Comprehensive Plan provision, OR
- B1. Consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, other goals and policies, the CPP, the GMA and other applicable law
- B2. Addresses the interests and changed needs of the entire City as identified in its long-range planning and policies
- B3. Addresses significantly changed conditions
- B4. Is suitable for development in general conformance with adjacent land use, surrounding development pattern, and with zoning standards under the potential zoning
- B5. Demonstrates a public benefit and enhances the public health, safety and welfare of the City.

# The 2021s



Proposed Plan Amendment	Site-specific Proposal	Planning Commission Recommendation
DASH Glendale and Evergreen Court 20-114270 AC 12600 NE 8th St. and 900 124th Ave NE Wilburton / NE 8th Street	Proposed map amendments from on two parcels totaling 7.5 acres from Multifamily-Medium (MF-M) to Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU).	Approve
<b>Transportation related amendments*</b> 21-107724 AC Citywide	These city-initiated two proposed plan amendments include: repealing the Comprehensive Transportation Project List from the Comprehensive Plan and amending the Transportation Element to embed a multimodal approach to transportation concurrency that will supplement and/or replace the vehicle- centric concurrency policies.	Approve

## DASH Glendale and Evergreen Court

Multifamily Medium (MF-M) to Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU)



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# **Community Engagement**

Proposed amendment	Number of Final Review comments	Number speaking at the hearing
DASH Glendale and Evergreen Court	19	5

## Direction



### **DASH Glendale and Evergreen Court**

 Direct staff to return with Ordinance approving the 2021 Annual CPA for DASH Glendale and Evergreen Court.





### **Transportation CTPL CPA**

- Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) to repeal the Comprehensive Transportation Project List from Volume 2 of the Comprehensive Plan
- Use the Transportation Improvement Program as the one comprehensive, citywide inventory of transportation projects to be considered for prioritization in the Transportation Facilities Plan
- Council updates the TIP annually, with a recommendation from the Transportation Commission
- TIP is responsive to planning and engineering work
- Projects in TIP are eligible for grants!



- Growth Management Act requires jurisdictions to ensure transportation supports land use – concurrent with the land use demand
- If concurrency not met, jurisdiction may not approve new development
- Bellevue now employs a vehicle concurrency standard and transportation system capacity is addressed only with intersection improvement projects
- Multimodal approach will provide capacity and connected networks for all modes to accommodate growth and satisfy concurrency
- Policy amendments are required for multimodal concurrency



# **Transportation Policy Evolves**

### **Comprehensive Plan 1989**

 Traveling on arterials should not be too inconvenient, time consuming, or unsafe

### **Comprehensive Plan 1993**

 Establish (vehicle) LOS standards in each area of the City in light of growth management objectives

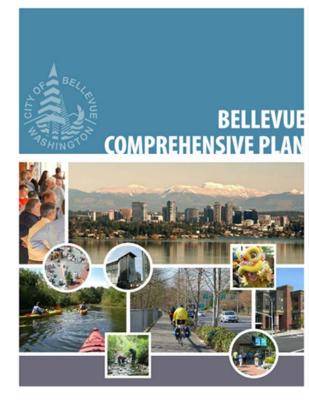
### **Comprehensive Plan 2015**

 Establish Multimodal Level-of-Service measures, standards and targets

### Comprehensive Plan 2021

Establish a Multimodal Concurrency standard

One constant: The transportation system is intended to supports land use – policy evolves with the community





### **Transportation Element Policies**

- Council initiated a Comprehensive Plan Amendment on April 5, 2021
- Council directed Transportation Commission to recommend policy to broaden the concurrency standard to include all modes
- Transportation Commission prepared a recommendation for Transportation Element amendments that was reviewed and recommended by Planning Commission



The Transportation Commission policy recommendation is part of the work program to prepare a Mobility Implementation Plan (MIP)

- MIP will provide a transparent framework to build a complete and connected network for all modes
- Expands vehicle Performance Targets: intersections and corridors
- Adds Performance Targets for pedestrians, bicycles and transit
- Identifies Performance Target "gaps" to be completed









### **Transportation Element Policies**

Policy	Transportation Commission Final Recommendation, June 10, 2021
New Goal	GOAL: To improve all mobility options so that everyone in Bellevue has a safe, comfortable, reliable, and efficient experience on their preferred mode, while encouraging and transitioning to more environmentally and fiscally sustainable modes.
TR-2	Improve the multimodal transportation system and the quality of the travel experience for all users.
TR-20	Scope, plan, design, implement, operate, and maintain a complete and multimodal transportation system in accordance with the Performance Metrics, Performance Targets and Performance Management Areas as established in the Mobility Implementation Plan.
TR-30	<ol> <li>Monitor and document transportation system performance in accordance with the Performance Targets and Performance Management Areas established in the Mobility Implementation Plan.</li> <li>Engage the community to evaluate and modify the Mobility Implementation Plan as needed, in concert with each update of the Comprehensive Plan, or as warranted by changed circumstances.</li> </ol>
TR-34	Evaluate the performance of all modes and engage the community to identify projects, priorities, programs and resources to meet Complete Streets goals and the Performance Targets through updates to the Transportation Facilities Plan.
TR-73	Implement infrastructure and technology to support reliable transit arrival time and travel speed along the Frequent Transit Network between Activity Centers.
TR-132	Provide and prioritize transportation funding to meet Performance Targets for people walking, biking, riding transit, and travelling in a car.
New Policy A	Employ a citywide multimodal level-of-service concurrency standard that provides transportation facilities that meet the demand from new development.
New Policy B	Plan for transportation system projects to accommodate the forecast demand and to meet Performance Targets in each update of the Transportation Facilities Plan.

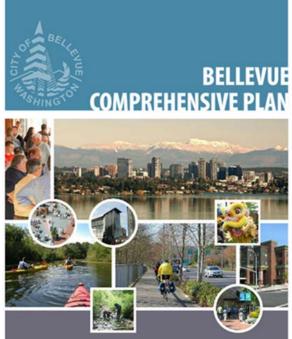


## **Transportation CPA's**

#### Embed multimodal concurrency policy in the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Planning Commission recommends:

- Repeal the CTPL from the Comprehensive Plan
- Repeal or amend certain existing policies related to the vehicle-only concurrency standard, and add two new policies as recommended by the Transportation Commission, and
- Council address the policy intent regarding congestion





# **Public Comments**

- Bellevue Downtown Association
- Chamber of Commerce
- East Bellevue Community Council
- Eastside Transportation Association
- Public comments and letters addressed to both the Transportation Commission and the Planning Commission





## **Community Engagement**

Proposed amendment	Number of Final Review comments	Number speaking at the hearing
Transportation amendments	10	9



## Direction

# Transportation Policy and Project List Amendments

- Motion to amend Policy TR-2
- Direct staff to return with Ordinance approving the 2021 Annual CPA for transportation-related policy and project list amendments

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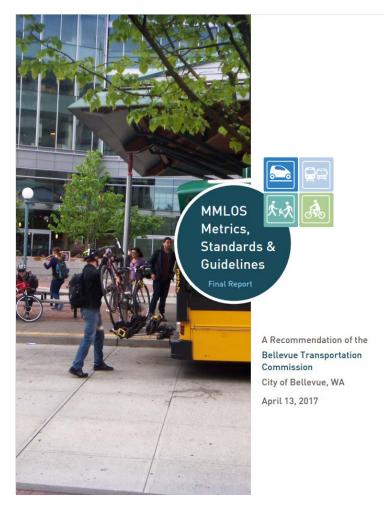




## Multimodal Level-of-Service

### **Transportation Commission Report**

- Multimodal concurrency departs from decades-old practice in Bellevue
  - Vehicle level-of-service focus has created a complete network for cars
  - Active transportation and transit facilities have gaps
- Performance Metrics and Targets for each mode - vehicle, pedestrian, bicycle, transit
- Identifies complete the system for all modes





On June 10, with a vote of 5-1, the Transportation Commission approved recommended policies for multimodal concurrency

We submitted these policies to the Planning Commission on June 23 as part of the 2021 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

Our action responds to Council direction to prepare a Mobility Implementation Plan

