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# BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB

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## JANUARY 2014 GENERAL MEETING

**THURSDAY JANUARY 23  
7-8:30 PM**

**CHERRY CREST ELEMENTARY  
12400 NE 32ND ST.  
IN THE CAFETERIA**

- 1 Welcome & Introductions
- 2 Club Business, Nominations
- 3 **Guest Speaker: David Berg, Bellevue Transportation Director, will discuss the expected impacts to our neighborhood resulting from development in Bel-Red**
- 4 Other Business
- 5 Meet & Greet

### BEL-RED TRANSFORMATION

EXCERPT FROM [BELLEVUEWA.GOV/BEL-RED\\_INTRO.HTM](http://BELLEVUEWA.GOV/BEL-RED_INTRO.HTM)

- Bel-Red is characterized by:
- Significant areas of under-utilized land
  - Large, flat expanses of concrete and asphalt
  - Unhealthy streams and wetlands
  - Limited transportation options
  - Close proximity to SR-520 and I-405
  - Strategic location between downtown Bellevue and Redmond/Overlake
- By 2030, the Bel-Red area is expected to generate:
- 10,000 new jobs and 5,000 new housing units
  - Transit-oriented developments around light rail stations
  - Restored streams and ecological functions
  - Better local and regional transportation connections
  - New parks, trails, bike paths and other amenities
  - Significant economic development

### Bel-Red Development Transportation Impact

The Bel-Red area is expected to see an increase of 10,000 jobs and 5,000 housing units over the next 15 years. At our January meeting, David Berg, City of Bellevue Transportation Director, will be our guest speaker. He will address the effect of Bel-Red development on Bridle Trails transportation. A City of Bellevue study identified the possible need for traffic mitigation for main North-South thoroughfares in Bridle Trails as a result of higher density and changing uses in the Bel-Red area. In addition, potential improvements may be needed for the SR520/124th Ave NE interchange. The Spring District development, Sound Transit Stations, and 130th Ave. NE development will certainly change Bel-Red area. Likewise, Bridle Trails will be impacted by this growth. Come and ask questions about the effect on our traffic.



David Berg  
Transportation Director

### The Downtown Livability Initiative

Loretta Lopez

The Downtown Livability initiative is a targeted review of specific regulations that guide downtown development and land use activity. The objectives are to better achieve the vision for downtown as a vibrant, mixed-use center; enhance the pedestrian environment; improve the area as a residential setting; enhance the identity and character of downtown neighborhoods; and incorporate elements from the Downtown Transportation Plan Update and the East Link design work currently underway.



### PSE Electrical Project Impacts Our Neighborhood

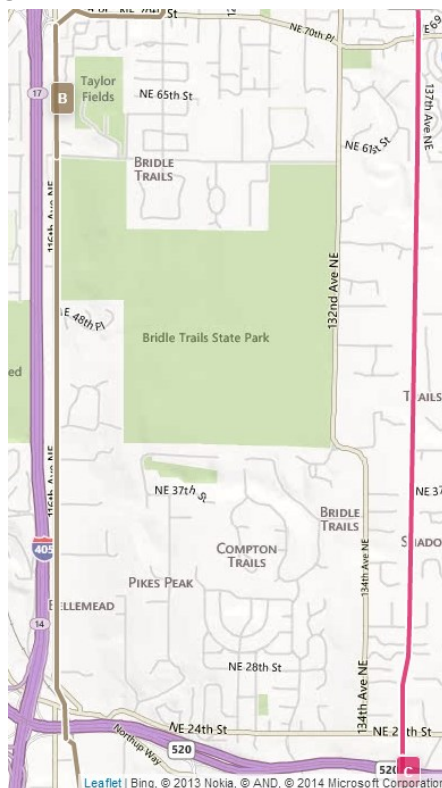
Ellen Kerr

PSE is upgrading the electrical transmission system due to increasing demand and growth on the Eastside. PSE is soliciting community input and Bridle Trails has been selected as one of three primary members on the Community Advisory Group (CAG). Norm Hansen has graciously volunteered to be the CAG representative for Bridle Trails. The CAG will total 25 members, which will include others who are impacted along the proposed routes, such as businesses, schools, and local municipalities. Ultimately, PSE will make the decision as to the route location. There will be six main meetings, a tour of the project area as well as two sub-area meetings. All of these meetings are open to non-CAG members: PSE is taking input from everyone. The first meeting is Wed. Jan. 22, 5-8PM at the Bellevue Red Lion Inn.

See [energizeeastside.com/calendar](http://energizeeastside.com/calendar) for subsequent meetings. PSE plans to wrap up the community process by the end of September.

We strongly encourage BT residents to attend our sub-area meeting, which will occur either the week of March 10th or 24th. Please refer to our website or look for Rover announcements for details and updates.

Please check out [pse.com/energizeeastside](http://pse.com/energizeeastside) or call 1-800-548-2614 for more information and stay updated.



[B]&[C]: Potential Routes in BT:  
[energizeeastside.com/interactive-map](http://energizeeastside.com/interactive-map)

The City Council appointed a group of citizens to an Advisory Committee to review the land use regulations and make recommendations. The City and the Advisory Committee are interested in ideas, comments and suggestions about how to make the Downtown a great place for all residents of Bellevue.

Loretta Lopez, BTCC Co-Vice President, is a member of the Advisory Committee. If you have any comments or questions contact Loretta, [llopez@mstarlabs.com](mailto:llopez@mstarlabs.com), 425 885-1851. You are welcome to attend the Advisory Committee meetings and make a public comment. For more information see [bellevuewa.gov/downtown-livability-engagement.htm](http://bellevuewa.gov/downtown-livability-engagement.htm)

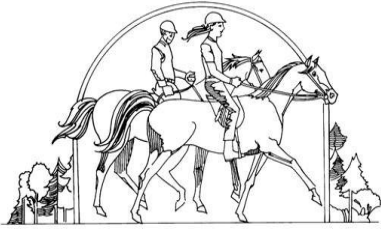
### Snow Removal Success

Loretta Lopez

Thanks Al Paige, BTCC member, for your work with the City on snow removal plans. The result: on the day that it snowed some inches in December there was a snowplow out at 8:00 on 134th Ave NE. When checking on the road, I saw the snowplow go by and gave the driver a thumbs-up. There was enough snow on that day that without the plowing it would have been difficult to drive.



Sample Pole and Wiring Configuration  
Pole heights will range from 95 ft to 125 ft :  
[energizeeastside.com/design](http://energizeeastside.com/design)



BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB  
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The Bridle Trails Community Club is the community neighborhood association for all residents of the entire Bridle Trails area. The BTCC is one of the most active community groups in Bellevue in representing the interests of the community to the Bellevue City Council and to City Departments. Residents working together is one of the best ways to keep the community safe and vibrant.

### Turn on the Streetlights

Nancy Bennett

With only 8 hours of daylight per day and all the foggy weather we have been having, it's important for all of our streetlights in the neighborhood to work for everyone's safety and security. If you notice a streetlight is out, you can easily report the outage to PSE by just filling out this form: [pse.com/accountsandservices/ServiceAlert/Pages/Street-Light-Problem.aspx](http://pse.com/accountsandservices/ServiceAlert/Pages/Street-Light-Problem.aspx). It's easy to do and only requires an address, cross streets or the best option is providing the pole number. Complete the form, submit it to PSE via the internet and PSE will send you back a receipt confirmation. It will take between 5 - 7 business days to replace the light. Of course, more complicated issues will take longer. I followed this process myself and a street light on 154th Street was working again in just five days.

### New Advisor

BTCC would like to welcome Zhanbing Wu as a new advisory board member. Zhanbing is from the North Creek neighborhood.

### DID YOU KNOW

BTCC is involved in many other ongoing projects and events including:

- Comprehensive Planning
- Utilities Project Impact
- Bridle Trails Park Levy Projects
- Supported Bridle Trails Night Out by providing ice cream

### BTCC President and Vice President Positions

Nancy Bennett and Ellen Kerr announced at the December board meeting that they are tendering their resignations as President and Co-Vice President at the end of May 2014. Both Ellen and Nancy would like to continue to participate as Advisory Board Members. Alice Prince, Secretary, has reported that the Board is nominating Loretta Lopez, as president. Additional nominations will be called for at the January meeting. A vote of the Board of Directors will be called at the February Board meeting.

### Subscribe to Neighborhood News

Loretta Lopez

The City of Bellevue's Neighborhood News is the monthly newsletter published by the City with news for and about neighborhoods. It also includes a calendar of City meetings. Subscribe at [bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood\\_news.htm](http://bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood_news.htm)

From Neighborhood News: "Bellevue's Neighborhood Outreach Office offers a variety of programs and partnerships for neighborhood leaders and active residents. To learn more about citizen involvement opportunities and programs to enhance neighborhoods, call 452-6836."

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Mike McCormick Huentelman is your neighborhood contact at the City of Bellevue. Have questions or need help finding the right person at the City to contact? Ask Mike [mmhuent@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mmhuent@bellevuewa.gov), 452-4089, or [bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood-outreach.htm](http://bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood-outreach.htm)



Mike McCormick Huentelman

### Mark Your Calendar

- Jan 22, 5-8PM • **Energize Eastside CAG**
- Jan 23, 7PM • **General Meeting**  
Cherry Crest Elementary
- Jan 29 6-8PM • **Energize Eastside Open House**, Old Redmond Schoolhouse Com. Ctr, 16600 NE 80th St.
- Jan 30 6-8PM • **Energize Eastside Open House**, Renton Pavilion Event Center, 233 Burnett Ave South
- Feb 20, 7PM • **Board Meeting**
- March • **Energize Eastside Bridle Trails Area Meeting** (See article)
- Mar 20, 7 PM • **General Meeting**

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