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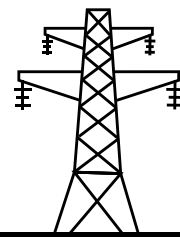
**Next BTCC
General Meeting
Thursday
October 1
7:00 pm**

Agenda

- 7:00 Club Business
- 7:05 PSE Project Update
- 7:10 140th Park
- 7:15 to 8:15 City Council Candidates
- 8:15 to 8:30 Meet and Greet

PSE Project for 230KV lines through the Eastside – Loretta Lopez

Summary. What is going on? PSE wants to build 18 miles of 239KV lines through the Eastside.



BTCC City Council Candidate Forum

How can you impact in what way the City of Bellevue reflects the values of the neighborhoods?

Attend the Thursday, October 1st BTCC City Council Candidate forum.

As we have in the past, BTCC will sponsor a City Council Candidate Forum at our October 1st General Meeting. City Council sets the policy that is implemented by the City Manager and Staff. Find out who understands what you, Bridle Trails, and the entire city needs to preserve, protect, and enhance our community.

This is your opportunity to hear directly from the candidates, or a representative, on such important issues as Bel-Red Development impacts, PSE project branded by PSE as “Energize Eastside”, Detached Accessory Dwellings, public safety and transportation.

There are 4 positions on the ballot for the November election.

Position 1



John Stokes
(unopposed)

Position 3



John Chelminiak



Don Davidson,

Position 5



Michelle Hilhorst



Vandana Slatter

Position 7



Jennifer Robertson



Lyndon Heywood

While BTCC does not endorse candidates, we want to give you information to help decide who will do the best job for Bellevue and Bridle Trails. Each candidate will make a short presentation. And then we will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Come at 6:45 for more opportunities to talk directly to the candidates.

What is the current status of the project? The City is conducting an EIS.

Why does BTCC and CENSE oppose the project? There are other ways to meet energy needs without building 18 miles of industrial towers through the Eastside.

How do we know there are other ways? CENSE has many engineers who have reviewed the data. And CENSE is working with two experts who have reviewed the data. One of the experts is the former VP of Power Planning for Puget Power and Light (predecessor company of PSE)

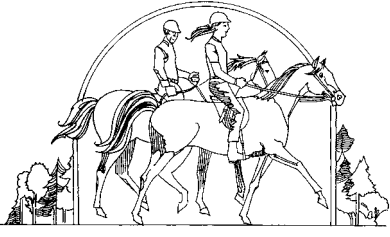
Current Details.

Bellevue is the lead agency on the EIS for the PSE project. In June, the comment period for the EIS on the PSE project was concluded. On July 30, 2015 the City issued a Scoping Summary Report in which it summarized the comments made by citizens during the comment period.

In addition to summarizing the comments, the City took the unusual step of eliminating some of the alternatives that were suggested by citizens. The City eliminated the alternatives without conducting any analysis of the alternatives.

The BTCC, working with CENSE (Coalition for Eastside Neighborhoods for Sensible

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PSE Project continued...

Energy) opposes the City's decision to eliminate alternatives without any analysis. CENSE has raised money and hired a land use lawyer to oppose the City's decision to eliminate alternatives.

CENSE submitted its Letter of Objections to the City's decision. We expect a response from the City by the end of September.

Thank you to Norm Hansen and Warren Halvorsen for their relentless work on this issue. If you have any questions and want more information contact Loretta Lopez or Norm Hansen.

Check out the CENSE website cense.org for detailed information.

New Park on 140th – Loretta Lopez

As you have read in this newsletter, the BTCC worked with City and the Parks Board to purchase property on 140th to build a park. There is not enough money to build a park but we are hopeful that over the years there will be funds to complete the 140th park.

The next step in this process is to develop a Master Park Plan.

The City will hold the 2nd public meeting on the planning for the 140th park on Wednesday, October 7, at 7:00 at the North Bellevue Community Center. The City will send a postcard notice to all residents in the Bridle Trails area. The City will present a project overview, share comments from the survey, present design concepts and explain the next steps.

If you cannot attend the meeting, then send your comments to Scott VanderHyden at svanderhyden@bellevuewa.gov or call him at 425 452-4169

NEP is Back! \$370K for BT!

– Pamela Johnston

What would you do with \$370,000? Bridle Trails will receive \$370,000 in 2018 for public capital improvements in the Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP). Now that the City budget made it through the recession, City Council renewed NEP, with some changes. NEP funds are proportioned by the number of households. Fund availability will rotate through the Bellevue neighborhood areas, two a year. Bridle Trails residents will propose and vote on the projects that meet the NEP goals. Look for information in the coming year from Neighborhood Outreach on the details.

What changes would make our neighborhood more enjoyable, healthier, or safer? Although the NEP funds do not become available until 2018, the planning starts now.

Contact us with your ideas and your interest to join the BTCC NEP Committee. Call Loretta Lopez or Pamela Johnston, or email BridleTrailsRover@gmail.com.

Storytelling and Sundaes

On August 22, the Bridle Trails Community Club once again sponsored the Bridle Trails Foundation annual storytelling night. Once everyone was treated to the

sundae bar, folklorist and storyteller Margaret Read MacDonald enthralled the kids during this beautiful evening of stories and folk tales. The magic built as Margaret increasingly involved the kids in stories she has collected from around the world.

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