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# BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB

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## General Meeting

Thursday May 19, 2016

7-8:30 pm

Cherry Crest Elementary  
12400 NE 32nd St.  
in the Cafeteria

Future BTCC General Meetings

• May 19

## Agenda

- 7:00 Club Business
- 7:20 Got Gripes: the 411 on how to report and get a problem solved with the City
- 7:50 140th Park Master Plan
- 8:00 Meet & Greet  
Get individual gripes answered

## Renew Today

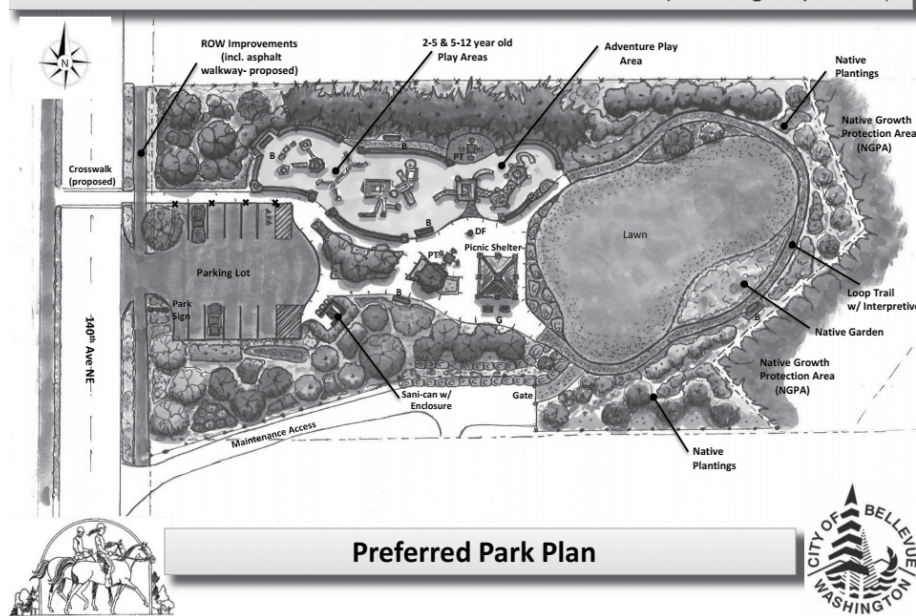
Join your fellow community members who have pledged their support this year. BTCC is your neighborhood watchdog and advocate, helping preserve, protect and promote our Bridle Trails Community. Every additional membership strengthens our voice!

Dues: \$20.00 per year. Send checks payable to Bridle Trails Community Club  
6619 132nd Ave. N.E. #133, Kirkland, WA 98033

## New BT Park on 140th

– Loretta Lopez

BRIDLE TRAILS NEIGHBORHOOD – 4432 140<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE (Ginzberg Acquisition)



The City Parks Department has completed the Master Plan for the new park on 140th. After 3 public meetings and comments from the community Scott Vanderhyden has prepared the Master Plan. The Plan includes parking spaces for 12 cars, a picnic shelter and a play area for kids. The Master Plan will be recommended to the Parks Board for approval. This will get the park in line

for future funding. See slides from February meeting at [www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Parks/bridle\\_trails\\_public\\_meeting\\_presentation\\_2-10-16.pdf](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Parks/bridle_trails_public_meeting_presentation_2-10-16.pdf)

Scott will be at the March 24th BTCC meeting to present the Master Plan and answer any questions. Attend the meeting and review the plans for the new park.

## Got Gripes! Get Answers!

Are you annoyed, furious, or just wondering? How do you get gripes solved with the city, neighbor, or neighborhood? The City works for us. Our needs should be addressed as simply as possible: one stop, one click, one call. That is what the City strives to do.



Ian Toms, Client Services Division Manager, Mike McCormick Huentelman, Neighborhood Outreach Manager, and in cooperation Karen Gonzales, Neighborhood Traffic Services Manager, and a Code Compliance officer, will help you turn your gripe into an answer. Sector Captain Marcia Harden will be on hand to answer



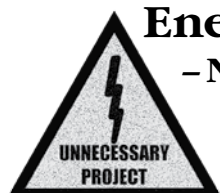
questions about reporting to the Police.

Let's make Bridle Trails better one small fix at a time.

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## Energize Eastside Shocker!

– Norm Hansen



Guess what? New load flow modeling for Energize Eastside reveals that PSE's proposed new 230,000 Volt Transmission line is not needed for potentially 3 or 4 decades. This is the result of a study commissioned by CENSE (Coalition of Eastside Neighborhoods for Sensible Energy). This study was recently completed by industry experts Rich Lauckhart, former Vice President

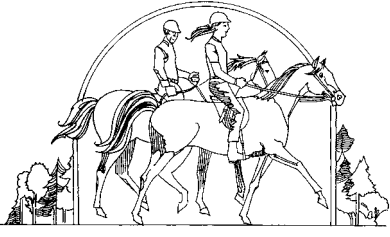
of Power Planning at PSE and Roger Schiffman, a specialist in computer modeling of the electric grid.

It was concluded that our many existing Eastside transmission lines, together with limiting optional power flows to Canada and utilizing local generators during winter short term peak power usage can meet our expected needs for decades. A fundamental error was further discovered that PSE used summer ratings on transformers instead of win-

ter emergency ratings which are 31% higher than summer ratings and can handle substantially more power flow.

Finally, the data that PSE reported to Western Electricity Coordinating Council showed projected demand growth at 1/2% per year instead of 2.4% growth rate reported in PSE's Project Documents. This is about 5 times less than the 2.4% PSE reported demand growth. The 1/2% demand growth rate also

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## BelRed Surprise – Pamela Johnston



Did you miss the January meeting? The transformation of BelRed is focused on development within about a ¼ mile the light rail stations: 120th and 130th Ave. Stations. The substantive rezoning of Bel-Red occurred only in this area. The Spring District is smaller area than many thought – only area near the 120th Station. Here are some key differences between the two station areas.

### The Spring District

- 36 of 900 acres in BelRed  
100 acres total in 120th station area
- Office focused with some Residential and Retail
- One developer and its partners, plus the station
- No Park and Ride

### 130th Station

- 90 acres of 900 acres in BelRed
- Residential focus with some Retail and Services
- Development outside the station is not planned
- 300 space Park and Ride

Within the station areas, there are special developer incentives – things that the developer can do for the public good to be able to build higher buildings. With incentives, buildings can be four times higher. Some incentives used included \$516,000 fee-in-lieu to ARCH housing fund and ~\$190,000 fee-in-lieu for parks/streams. These funds are not attached to BelRed but could be used to build affordable housing and parks “in other places.”  
<http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Bellevue/?BellevueLUC2025D.html#20.25D.090>

While there are possible areas for acquisition, the area dedicated to parks in BelRed was disappointing.

See BelRed Plan and Incentives presentation slides at

[http://www.bridletrailscommunity.org/document\\_view.asp?id=80](http://www.bridletrailscommunity.org/document_view.asp?id=80)

## Construction = Too Late

Recently, we learned about the Auto Nation BMW to replace Lowes project. This project has been listed in the Weekly Permit Bulletin. Comments on lighting, noise, and other environmental impacts are common. Public Comment can make a significant difference, but they need to be made during the “comment period.” This occurs before the City issues any permits and before construction. You can sign-up for email alerts for the Permit Bulletin at [www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/weekly\\_permit\\_bulletin.htm](http://www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/weekly_permit_bulletin.htm). Note that the bulletin is for land use permits, and not all construction will require land use permits. Public notice because of a SEPA review do not require a sign; these applications are only noticed in the Weekly Permit Bulletin. Learn more at [http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Development\\_Services/L-20\\_HowToPrctpatLandUse.pdf](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Development_Services/L-20_HowToPrctpatLandUse.pdf)

## Energize Eastside Shocker! continued...

matches projections from Seattle City Light serving all of Seattle.

Advances in technology like battery storage and energy efficiency are likely to make big transmission lines obsolete especially thru modern cities. This is confirmed recently by the Northwest Power and Conservation Council.

You can find out additional details including the Environmental Impact Statement Phase 1 Draft, Load Flow Modeling Analysis and other details at CENSE.ORG website.

If you haven't given a donation at <http://cense.org/>, please consider doing so now to help pursue protecting our neighborhoods. Money is being used to support necessary legal help and technical information needed.

## Got Gripes! Numbers to know

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