

ShoreScore Update

APRIL 2014¹



Our New Format -

Beginning with this issue, we are streamlining the look of ShoreScore Updates. A brief summary is provided of the new issue's topics along with links to take you to greater detail. **Skip what doesn't interest you and hone in on what does! Simply click the blue highlighted title and go to the detail.**

[City Council to Review Shoreline Management Program](#)

Following nearly 5 years of effort by the Planning Commission, and a year's delay since their approval of a draft, Bellevue Council will begin consideration of the SMP. A series of briefings will be followed by a **public hearing on May 5th**, further deliberation, and a final hearing before sending the Council recommendations on to the State Department of Ecology.

[WSSA to Hold Community Meetings](#)

We will conduct several meetings in preparation for the City Council public hearings on the SMP. Whether you plan to attend the Council hearings or not, come and find out how the draft SMP will work. You owe it to yourself! **WSSA's meetings are Thur. April 17th (Vasa Park) and Thur. April 22nd (Newport Shores Yacht Club)**

[Lake Sammamish Water Levels](#)

As March's record rains subside and beach and dock damage from several submersions can be assessed, King County continues to consider ways to modify the outflow channel into the river at Marymoor Park. Preliminary [Willowmoor Project](#) alternatives, developed by County staff, are now under review by the project's advisory committee. A series of technical reports are available to interested parties.

[Neighboring Shoreline Communities](#)

We are not alone in our efforts to assure a balanced approach to shoreline management. Residents in the San Juan Islands, represented by [Common Sense Alliance](#) (CSA), have found it necessary to take [legal action](#) regarding their Critical Areas Ordinance. Are regulations being placed on shoreline properties meeting constitutional requirements?

Appeal for Your Support

We urge you to come to one of the WSSA community meetings. We will discuss our financial needs as well as what we have accomplished and where we need to go from here. In the meantime, please support our efforts with a donation made payable to WSSA, and sent to P.O. Box 6773, Bellevue 98008 or through [PayPal at our website](#).

¹ Prior issues of ShoreScore Updates are available online at [WSSA's homepage](#).

City Council Schedule

Council sessions will be held at City Hall in Room 1E-113, not the Council chambers. Meetings begin at 6:00PM. You should confirm the time and agenda by visiting this site - [Council Agenda](#)

April 14 – Introductory review of Planning Commission's draft SMP and State Shoreline Management Act requirements.

April 28 – Review of the Cumulative Impact Analysis, "No Net Loss" concept, and Light Rail Component.

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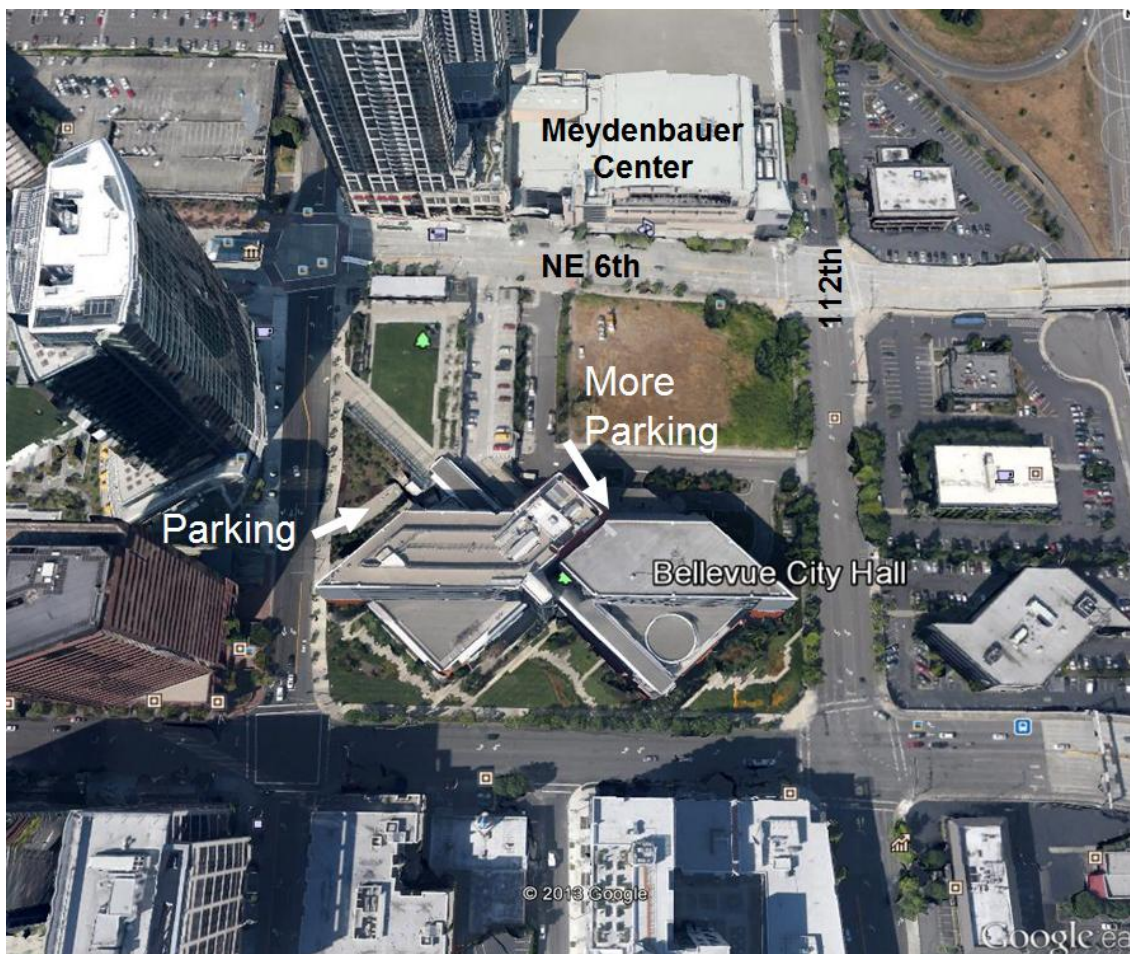
May 5 – First of two public hearings.

May 12, May 27, June 9 – Review of issues identified by the Planning Commission as most important in its development of the SMP Update. Topics will include

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Critical Areas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shore Stabilization | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Conforming Uses | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Floodplains |

Late June through Early July – TBA - **Second public hearing** and final SMP Update package adoption.

City Hall Parking Diagram



Community Meeting Announcement

If You Like Your Dock ...

You Can Keep Your Dock! Maybe...

THE FATE OF YOUR SHORELINE PROPERTY IS BEING
FINALIZED BY THE BELLEVUE CITY COUNCIL

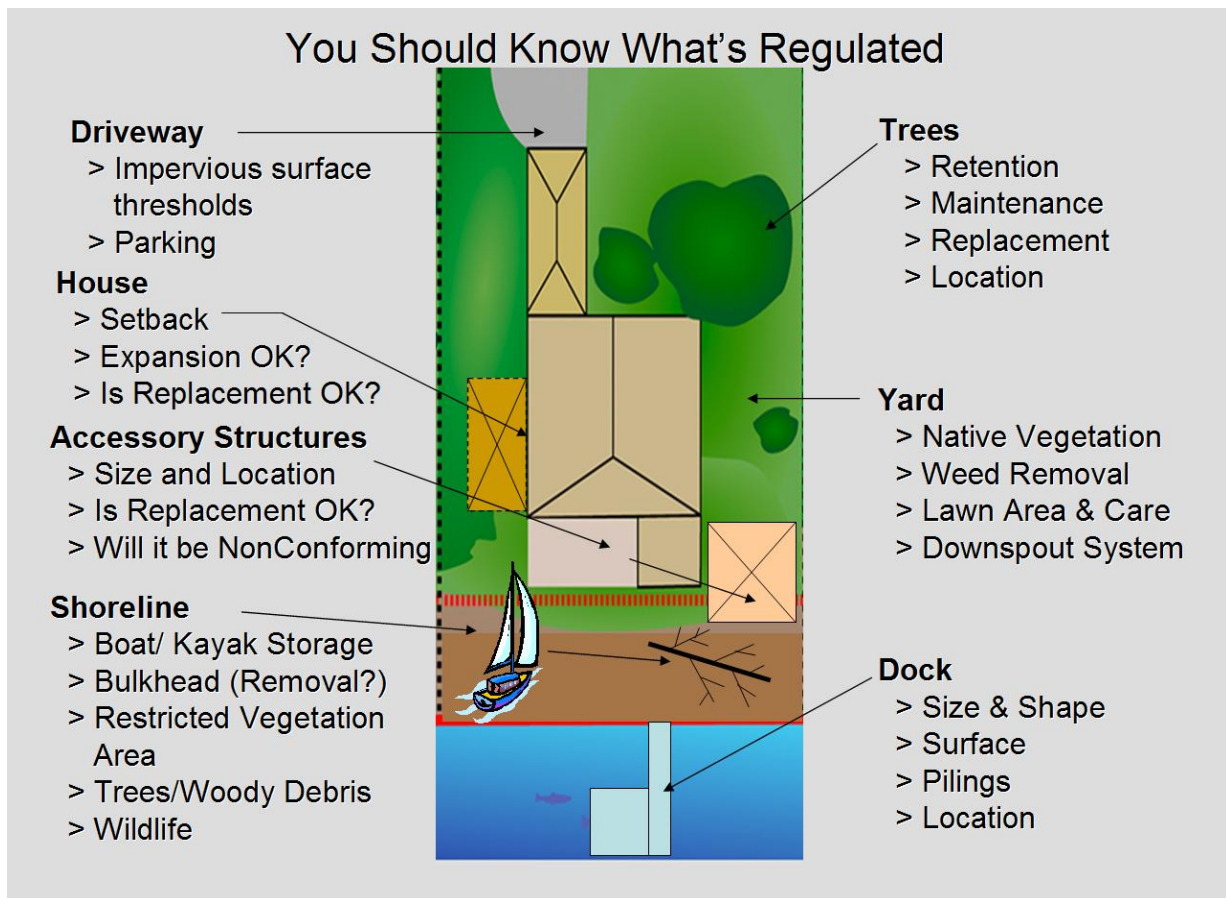
BE AWARE, BE INFORMED, BE PREPARED FOR THE **MAY 5TH** HEARING!

LEARN HOW THESE REGULATIONS WILL IMPACT USE OF YOUR PROPERTY!

COME TO A COMMUNITY MEETING OF BELLEVUE SHORELINE
OWNERS, AND BRING YOUR NEIGHBOR!

April 17, at the Vasa Park Ballroom **or** **April 22, at Newport Shores Yacht Club**

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Preliminary Willowmoor Project Alternatives

(Note: North is toward the **bottom** in each illustration)

Alternative 1 - "Maintain Current Facility"



Alternative 2 - Meander River + Backwater Channel



Alternative 3 - Create Fish Spawning Rivulets and Nature Trails on West Side of Park



Alternative 4 - Widen Main Channel and Add By-Pass Stream Plus Nature Trails on West Side



Questions, Comments, and Feedback on these alternatives should be sent to [Marty Nizlek](#), who is WSSA's representative to the Willowmoor Project Advisory Committee.

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