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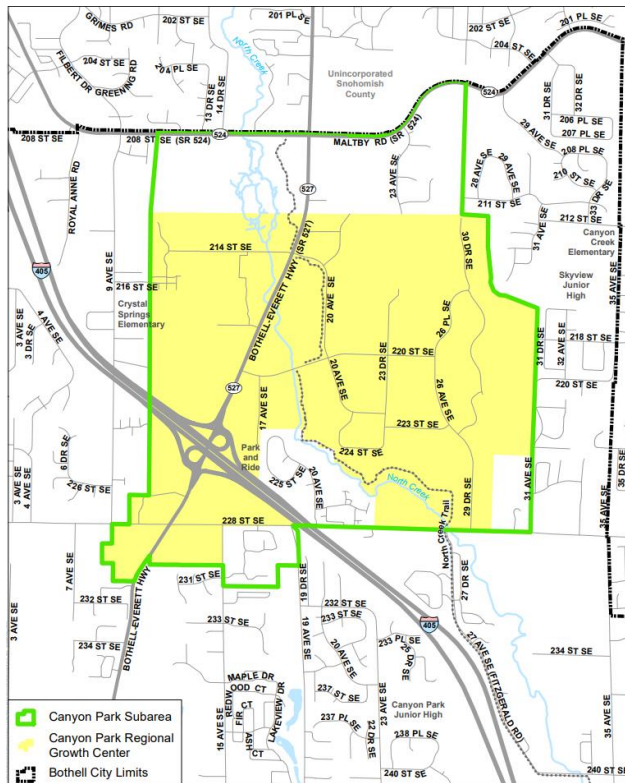
Canyon Park Resident,
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Subject: Canyon Park Update

Canyon Park Resident,

You may have heard the City has been working with the community to update the Canyon Park Subarea Plan. Designated as a Regional Growth Center (RGC), the Canyon Park area must accommodate a growing population and meet certain regional requirements. This plan will help to ensure the future growth, development, and transportation improvements reflect Bothell's community priorities and complement our city's character. This area is envisioned to be a more urban, transit-supported mixed-use hub that includes more residential, business and retail activity.

We've learned a lot about community priorities and concerns and expect to have a plan approved mid-2020. Starting in 2017 and continuing through 2019, we have been developing the vision for Canyon Park with property and business owners, public workshops, and several different community surveys. We knew that Canyon Park was a major job center for our city and region, but we also learned more about the importance of its wetlands, nearby parks, and the many small businesses in the area.

As we reach the final stages of this plan, we still need your input on several very important upcoming decisions that will impact your neighborhood.



How Can I Participate?

- Attend a public meeting to learn about potential road changes in your area and provide input:

Canyon Hills Community Church
6 to 9 PM Thursday, January 9, 2020
22027 17th Ave SE,
Bothell, WA 98021

- Unable to attend in person? Learn more about the project background and vision for Canyon Park at www.bothellwa.gov/CanyonPark
- Review and comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) before January 13, 2020.
- Submit any comments or questions to us via email at canyonpark@bothellwa.gov.

Why was Canyon Park Selected as a Regional Growth Center?

- It is home to a number of national and international life science, medical device, and high-technology companies, Canyon Park has over 12,000 employees that make significant contributions toward human health as well as a positive economic impact upon the City, region and state.

- The Puget Sound Regional Council identified Canyon Park as an appropriate location capable of accommodating future population and employment growth due to:
 - Access to regional transportation systems
 - Significant existing employment
 - Potential for additional employee and population growth
 - Avoids density growth in residential neighborhoods

Transportation Challenges and Opportunities

- Having the RGC designation helps the City compete for federal and state funds to pay for local road improvements. Even with substantial investment in transportation improvements, congestion will continue into the future because the Bothell-Everett Highway is the primary north-south route for people living north of the City. A lot of approaches are needed to keep people moving.
- There will be concerted efforts to encourage use of transit, increase non-motorized bike and pedestrian use, car pools, ‘micro-transit’ such as internal shuttles, flex bike and scooter services, and encouraging employers to allow flexible work hours and/or telecommuting.
- A number of new projects, are planned or are being developed including:



- ✓ Adding a second I-405 Express Toll Lane (ETL) between SR-522 and SR-527,
- ✓ Installing a new ETL off ramp directly into Canyon Park, at the Park and Ride Lot
- ✓ Community Transit’s ‘Swift Line’ Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line that serving SR-527;
- ✓ Signal coordination along SR-527; and
- ✓ Sound Transit’s I-405 and SR-522 BRT service that will start in 2024.

Potential Connections

One approach being analyzed is installing connections from SR-527 to 9th Avenue SE to better distribute traffic and reduce congestion on Bothell-Everett Hwy. Connections may occur by extending the 214th Street SE and/or 219th ST SE rights-of-way.

Another new connection to the north may access Maltby Road (SR-524) behind the Fred Meyer store.

All connection streets would be improved with widening, curbs, sidewalks, bike lanes, utilities, and intersection enhancements to ensure functional operation and safety.

Transportation analysis indicates that, if built, there is the potential that in the year 2043 up to 1,000 PM Peak hour trips could use the extended 214th ST SE and up to 200 PM Peak hour trips could use the extended 219th ST SE.

(details on the numbered improvements shown below)

No.	Project	Description
1	WSDOT I-405 Direct Express Toll Lane Access Ramps	Direct access ramps from ETL to Canyon Park at 17 th Ave SE and Transit connections. Includes improvements to 17 th Ave SE and intersections at 220 th St SE / 17 th Ave SE and 220 th St SE / SR-527.
2	220 th St SE and SR 527 Intersection	Add another eastbound left turn lane (2 total left turn lanes).
3	SR 527: Add a southbound lane between SR 524 and 220 th St SE	Add a third southbound lane, and associated intersection revisions.
4	214 th St SE & SR 527	Re-channelize the westbound through/left lane to a through/right lane.
5*	214 th St SE & SR 527	Add channelized westbound right turn lane and dual westbound left turn lane.
6	SR 527 (211 th St SE to north of SR 524)	Add a third northbound through lane. Add a southbound left turn lane at SR 524 (2 left). Also known as SR 527/SR524 Intersection Improvements.
9	I-405 Widening & SR 527 Interchange Improvements	Widening I-405 to add a second Express Toll lane from SR 522 to I-5 in Lynnwood. Improvements to the SR 527 and I-405 Interchange/ramps.
10*	9 th Ave SE & SR 524	Dual northbound left turn lanes.
11	9 th Ave SE Widening: 228 th St SE to SR 524	Upgrade road to a Collector road standard (3-lanes) with improved pedestrian/bike facilities and improvements to the 228 and SR 524 intersections.
12	North Creek Trail – Section 4	Complete the missing link along SR 524 between current trail and Filbert Rd.
13	229 th St SE / 31 st Ave SE Intersection	Add a westbound dedicated right turn lane.
15*	SR 527 / SR 524	Modify intersection to include two westbound left turn lanes and two westbound through lanes.
16*	214 th St SE Roadway Extension	Extend 214 th St SE west to the Canyon Park Subarea boundary.
17*	20 th Ave SE	Add new connection from 20 th Ave SE to SR 524.
18*	228 th St SE	Widen to five lanes from 19 th Ave SE to 31 st Ave SE. This widening project could be physically constrained where it crosses under I-405 due to the placement of existing I-405 columns and may have impacts to 19 th Ave SE.