



## Executive Summary

---

**Issue Title:** Bicycle and Electric Vehicle Code Public Participation Plan  
**Meeting Date:** January 18, 2022  
**Time Required:** 30 Minutes  
**Department:** Department of Community Development (DCD)  
**Attendees:** Jeff Rimack, Liz Williams, Melissa Shumake

**Action Requested At This Meeting:** No action necessary – review Public Participation Plan for the Bicycle and Electric Vehicle Code Update.

### Background:

At the October 2021 meeting before the Board of County Commissioners, staff requested and received guidance on a proposed work plan to address bicycle parking and electric vehicle charging code requirements. The proposed code is intended to implement Countywide Planning Policies, the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan, and Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Vision 2050. The work plan will take approximately one year to implement, with anticipated adoption in January 2023.

### Scope:

DCD will develop proposed revisions to Kitsap County Code (KCC) Chapter 17.490 Off-Street Parking and Loading to include minimum and incentive-based requirements that encourage new development and applicable redevelopment to install facilities for bicycles and electric vehicles.

The project scope will include:

- Guidance for bicycle parking and electric vehicle charging facilities for new construction and applicable redevelopment, in urban areas, Rural Commercial and Industrial zones and LAMIRDs only.
  - Establish minimum standards and encourage provision of additional facilities with incentives
    - Establish location, dimension, material, design, numeric, and other standards
- Revise/add applicable definitions as needed in 17.110

### Project Goals:

The project is intended to proactively encourage healthy and resilient communities through an incentive-based approach that:

- Increases non-motorized and low/no emission transportation options;
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions and help support Vision 2050, Countywide

Planning Policies, and Kitsap County Climate Change Resiliency Assessment goals and outcomes;

- Improves public health outcomes via cleaner air and active transportation; and
- Implements the goals and policies of the County's 2016 Comprehensive Plan.

**Public Participation:**

Multi-prong approach:

- Two surveys, one for general public/bicycle users and electric vehicle drivers, one for developers, distributed via GovDelivery and social media and via Kitsap Builders Association
- Project website
- Workshop group to help draft code language, composed of CAC members, Planning Commission and Non-Motorized Facilities Committee members, electric vehicle owner, charging facility installer, developer, environmental organization, bike shop owner, cyclist, and Kitsap Transit
- Consultations
- Open Houses & Work Studies
- Project updates via GovDelivery, social media, and project website
- Two formal comment periods (Planning Commission & Board of County Commissioners) and SEPA comment period

**Attachment:**

Project Public Participation Plan