



East Lake Sammamish Parkway Project Public Design Charrette Summary June 22-23, 2005

Public Provides Input

The City of Sammamish recently held a public design charrette to generate and develop the public's ideas for making improvements along East Lake Sammamish Parkway between NE Inglewood Hill Road and 187th Avenue NE. The two-day Charrette gave the public an opportunity to learn about the Parkway and think creatively about solutions to accommodate the interests of all parties involved. Twenty-seven people attended the first day and 22 people attended the second day. Twelve people attended both days of the Charrette. Day one involved an interactive workshop with small groups of community members sharing their thoughts and putting their design ideas on paper. Attendees engaged each other and the project team with their ideas as they collaborated to develop concepts for designing improvements for the Parkway.



Design Concepts Developed

Several core topics emerged from the Charrette discussions about improvements for the Parkway, including consideration of lane configuration, medians, center turn lanes, pedestrian facilities, pedestrian crossings, bicycle lanes, lighting, parking, and a northern gateway or entrance for the City of Sammamish. On the second day of the Charrette, the project team and community members further developed the ideas for Parkway improvements, resulting in four design concepts.

August Open House

The four design concepts for Parkway improvements will be further refined by the project team and presented back to the community for review and comment at an open house on August 10, from 6:30-8:30 pm, at Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church (22818 SE 8th Street, Sammamish, WA 98074). Comments will also be accepted online. For more information, please visit the project website: www.ci.sammamish.wa.us/ELSP.

Community input is critical to developing an effective and desirable final design for the Parkway. The completed project will improve safety, provide localized congestion relief with left turn options, and increase bicycle and pedestrian access. The result will be smoother traffic flow and a safer and more attractive roadway.



For the latest information, please visit the project website: www.ci.sammamish.wa.us/ELSP

If you have questions or comments about the project, please e-mail ELSP@ci.sammamish.wa.us or call Colleen Hawkins (425) 836-7925 or Jeff Brauns (425) 836-7923.