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Bellevue Downtown Association Board launches 2012 with new Chair

(BELLEVUE, Wash.) – Brian Brand, principal architect with Baylis Architects, began his one-year term in January as chair of the Bellevue Downtown Association (BDA) Board of Directors.

“Downtown Bellevue is an amazing success story,” said Brand, noting the quality of its growth and transformation over the past four decades. “We have a major role to play in the economic health of our city and the Puget Sound region, and the BDA will continue to work with our members and the community on a strategic plan of action to keep downtown thriving.”

Brand, who works in the downtown Bellevue office of Baylis Architects, joined the BDA Board in 2006 and has led BDA committee efforts on land use, planning and transportation issues. Baylis Architects founder El Baylis, a former BDA Board Chair, introduced Brand to the association in the early 1980s.

Bellevue’s 410-acre downtown has added more than 7,000 residents and 12,000 jobs in the past 10 years. It’s a prime shopping, cultural and entertainment destination with more than five million square feet of stores and attractions, 170 restaurants, 2,000 hotel rooms and a major regional convention center.

Established in 1974 the Bellevue Downtown Association is a nonprofit membership organization charged with leading the continuing evolution of downtown as the economic and cultural heart of the Eastside.

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