

Staff Report

May 2, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

2022 ADA Improvement Project Bids

Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

Time Estimate: 5 Minutes

Phone	Email
360.817.7230	jcarothers@cityofcamas.us

BACKGROUND: Camas budgets \$50,000 annually for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) related projects. Based on multiple complaints from the elderly and those with mobility impairments, the ADA project for 2022 replaces those exposed aggregate panels that are the subject of complaints in the Downtown core. The scope of the work will be limited to the replacement of sidewalk panels that have "large" exposed aggregate stone as seen in the photos below. These panels tend to present a tripping hazard and are known to be slippery during wet conditions.

SUMMARY: Three construction bids were submitted at the April 20, 2022 bid opening. The low bidder was Clark & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$61,112.00. Staff finds that the low bid is reasonable given the volatile bidding climate. However, staff has also concluded since opening bids that there was, in essence, a scrivener's error in one of the bid items and if all concrete panels that have the large exposed aggregate are to be removed and replaced, the total construction cost will be closer to \$85,000. It is staff's recommendation to complete the removal and replacement of all the subject panels with this project.



Exposed Aggregate Sidewalk Panels Downtown

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

Formal Bid Award by Council.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

The described concrete panels should be removed based on citizen complaints and physical inspection due to safety concerns.

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

Camas DCA (Downtown Camas Association) and affected businesses have been consulted and are supportive of the project.

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

Downtown business owners, residents, and patrons will be the primary beneficiaries. Construction of the project may cause minor traffic delays and temporary closure of some sidewalks during work hours.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

Daily inspections of construction activities and regular coordination between the contractor, staff, and businesses.

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact.

Replaced sidewalks will improve accessibility for all users.

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities?

Yes. The intent of the project is to remove physical barriers for those with mobility limitations.

What potential hurdles exist in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

None.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

Daily inspections of construction activities and regular coordination between the contractor, staff, and businesses.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

The project is consistent with the goals of the Camas ADA Transition Plan.

BUDGET IMPACT: The current 2022 Budget allocates \$50,000 for the project. The cost to remove and replace all the larger exposed aggregate panels will be closer to \$85,000. Staff proposes to include additional expenditures in the Fall Omnibus.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff has also placed this bid award item on the May 2, 2022 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.