



## Staff Report

August 3, 2026 Council Regular Meeting

\$359,162.50 Grade Werks Excavating, LLC Citywide Pedestrian Crossing Improvements Bid Award with up to 10% change order authorization (Submitted by James Carothers, Engineering Manager)

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**BACKGROUND:** The City of Camas constructs and maintains street, bicycle and pedestrian routes to provide circulation to and from destinations in Camas for all users. The goal of the City is to enhance travel choices and provide safe pedestrian and bicycle routes designated especially for them. The ADA Transition plan and public comments identified a need for enhanced pedestrian crossings at various locations throughout the city. This project will upgrade ADA curb ramps, add illumination, and install Rapid Flashing Beacons at heavily transited pedestrian crossings.

Crossings to be improved:

- NE Everett Street and NE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue at the southeast corner of Crown Park
- NE 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue at the west entrance of Camas High School
- NW Lake Road and NW Lacamas Lane at the entrance of Lacamas Heritage Trail
- NW Fargo St and NW Hill Street (connecting pedestrian route to Dorothy Fox Elementary School)
- NW 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and NW Norwood Street at the east approach of the roundabout.

The Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) funds high priority transportation projects in communities throughout the state to enhance the movement of people, goods and services. The Complete Streets Award is a funding opportunity for local governments that have an adopted complete streets ordinance.

The City was able to secure a grant through the TIB Complete Streets program to fund this project.

**SUMMARY:** On July 28, 2026, the City received five bids for the Citywide Pedestrian Crossing Improvements project. Bids ranged from \$310,264 to \$486,961. The Engineer's Estimate for the project was \$403,300, and the bid tabulation is attached. Swofford Excavating submitted the apparent low bid in the amount of \$310,264.00, compared to the second-low bid from Grade Werks Excavating LLC of \$359,162.50.

Following the bid opening and review of bid item prices, Swofford Excavating formally withdrew from the bidding due to a substantial error on bid item 28 pricing.

Staff reached out to Grade Werks Excavating LLC to inform them they are the lowest responsive bidder.

**BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY:** The project will improve safety and connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists at various locations.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** This project aligns with the strategic plan's priority "Stewardship of City Assets" by Investing in street infrastructure that enhances system connectivity and supports long-term community growth. The project also aligns with the City's Comprehensive Plan's Transportation goals and policies (4.4.2).

**POTENTIAL CHALLENGES:** Construction activities will disrupt traffic during construction hours. Camas staff will coordinate with the contractor and the Camas School District Transportation Department to keep school traffic flowing.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** The Citywide Pedestrian Improvement Project is 80% funded by TIB Grant and matched 20% through the Street Fund and has a 2026 capital budget of \$500,000. Based on the bids received, award to the apparent low bidder would result in an estimated total project cost of \$425,078.

**Budget:**

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| Citywide Pedestrian Crossing Improvements Project<br>(2026 Capital Budget) | \$ 500,000 |
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**Estimated Construction Expenses :**

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| Construction                                | \$ 359,162       |
| Construction Contingency (10%)              | \$ 35,916        |
| <u>Construction Management (Staff Time)</u> | <u>\$ 30,000</u> |
| Total Estimated Construction Cost           | \$ 425,078       |

**Grant:**

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| Transportation Improvement Board<br>(80% Match) | \$ 340,062 |
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**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Citywide Pedestrian Crossing Improvements project be awarded to Grade Werks LLC.