



# CITY of COLLEGE PLACE

## NEWS RELEASE

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### CARS PROJECT NEARING COMPLETION

**COLLEGE PLACE, WA** – Last Thursday, the City of College Place formally celebrated the imminent completion of the College Avenue /Rose Street (CARS) reconstruction project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on College Avenue. The City would like to express its appreciation to the community and project partners with a special thank-you to those who were able to attend the ceremony.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrates the realization of a community vision for reconstructing the city's downtown commercial corridor that was first contemplated in 2001. Since then, that vision grew to include over 2 miles of Federally-classified arterial road reconstructed with widened sidewalks, ornamental streetlights, street trees, traffic signals, reconfigured intersections, and a full complement of utility replacements and relocations.

Some final work on project will be completed through the rest of this month including...

1. Ornamental street light installation on the east side of College Avenue between 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Lamperti.
2. Installation of remaining sidewalks and sidewalk panels (and tree grates) around street trees and ornamental street lights mostly south of 8<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. Installation of Intersection lights.
4. Timing of signals and video camera activation.
5. Safety fencing on top of retaining walls.

December 23, 2016 marks the physical completion deadline for the project. All improvements should be constructed and accepted by the city by this date. "Final Completion", or the date by which all paperwork, payments, etc. are completed is expected in early Spring of 2017.

For more information on this exciting project, please visit: <http://www.ci.college-place.wa.us/index.aspx?nid=316> or contact Michael Rizzitiello – City Administrator at 509-529-1200 or [mrizzitiello@ci.college-place.wa.us](mailto:mrizzitiello@ci.college-place.wa.us) or Robert Gordon—City Engineer at 509-525-0510 ext. 3 or [rgordon@ci.college-place.wa.us](mailto:rgordon@ci.college-place.wa.us).

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