



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 02/28/2023

REQUESTER: Jeff Fordice, Capital Projects Engineer

PRESENTER: Shawn O'Leary, Director of Public Works
Jason Olsen, Parks and Recreation Director

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF AWARDING, ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF BID 2223-40 AND CONTRACT K-2223-76: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND RUDY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$589,486.60, CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE TO CONTRACT K-2223-76 INCREASING THE AMOUNT BY \$15,400 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$604,886.60, FOR THE ROBINSON STREET WIDENING AND SIGNALIZATION PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2223-46; STATUTORY BOND B-2223-47; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2223-40, RESOLUTION R-2223-78 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS, AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

BACKGROUND:

On October 13, 2015, the citizens of Norman voted to fund the Norman Forward Program with a limited term ½ percent sales tax increase for 15 years. This initiative included a number of high-priority projects outlined in the 2014 Library Master Plan Update, the 2009 Norman Parks and Recreation Master Plan and additional projects designed to provide recreational opportunities for Norman residents. One such project was the construction of the Griffin Park Soccer Complex. The Griffin Park Soccer Complex project includes the construction of 22 youth fields, better drainage, improved ADA accessibility between fields, and additional parking.

A traffic study was performed in 2017 that showed a need for improved ingress and egress from the planned complex. One improvement is the addition of a road connecting the southeast parking lot to the 12th Avenue SE – High Meadows Drive intersection. The subject of this report includes improvements to the complex's two south entrances on East Robinson Street.

This project includes widening Robinson Street at the eastern entrance on Robinson Street to allow for a new center turn lane that will better accommodate traffic entering the facility. This project also adds a traffic signal at the western Robinson Street entrance to facilitate both entering and exiting the complex.

DISCUSSION:

Plans and specifications for the project were developed by Planning Design Group (PDG) of Tulsa, the lead designer for the soccer complex. The project was publically advertised on January 5 and 12, 2023. A pre-bid conference was held on January 19, 2023. Two bids were submitted and opened on January 26, 2023.

Tabulation of Bid Results

Contractor	Total
Crossland Construction	\$696,788.00
Rudy Construction	\$589,486.60
Engineer's Estimate	\$707,707.00

Rudy Construction Company of Oklahoma City submitted the low bid in the amount of \$589,486.60, which is \$118,220.40, or 16.7%, less than the engineer's estimate. PDG prepared the attached bid tabulation, found no irregularities, and issued the attached recommendation for award.

Rudy Construction Company is a responsible bidder. They have successfully performed similar work for the City of Norman in the past.

The Norman Forward Program budgeted \$2.7 million for traffic and road improvements to accommodate additional traffic entering and leaving the various Norman Forward Project locations, including Griffin Park. However, these improvements were initially planned to be completed in later years so funds are not currently in the project account. As a part of this agenda item, City staff is asking for the appropriation of \$610,000 from the Norman Forward Fund Balance to the Norman Forward Traffic and Road Improvements, Construction (Account 51594405-46101; Project NFB020) to fund this construction contract, with the additional \$20,513.40 to be available for construction testing as needed to complete the project in accordance with City Standards.

If approved, construction of the Robinson Widening and Signalization Project will begin on or around March 13, 2023. The construction time for this project is 200 days with an estimated completion in November 2023 plus weather days.

During review of the contract documents, it was discovered that the maintenance bond included in the bid documents had the incorrect term. Change Order #1 was negotiated to extend the maintenance term from two years to five years, which is the City standard for capital projects, for a total additional cost of \$15,400. Staff feels that the amount of Change Order #1 is consistent with the increased liability the contractor will incur.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

Staff recommends appropriating \$610,000 from Norman Forward Fund Balance to the Norman Forward Traffic and Road Improvements, Construction (Account 51594405-46101; Project NFB020).

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:

Staff recommends the approval of Contract K-2223-76 with Rudy Construction Company in the amount of \$589,486.60 for construction of the Robinson Widening and Signalization Project and Change Order #1 be approved in the amount of \$15,400 extending the maintenance period to five years.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:

Staff further recommends that the following bonds be approved:

Performance Bond B-2223-46
Statutory Bond B-2223-47
Maintenance Bond MB-2223-40

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:

Staff further recommends that Rudy Construction Company be authorized as Project Agent via Resolution R-2223-78