

## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 7/11/2023

**REQUESTER:** Paul D'Andrea, Capital Projects Engineer

**PRESENTER:** Shawn O'Leary, Public Works Director

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION,

AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF EASEMENT E-2324-2: A PERMANENT UTILITY EASEMENT GRANTED BY THE CITY OF NORMAN TO OKLAHOMA GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE

NORTH BASE PHASE 2 VEHICLE WASH FACILITY PROJECT.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Parks Maintenance Facility: 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 Sports Complex.

The Norman Forward Program includes a Maintenance Facility for the City of Norman Parks and Recreation Department. This facility was originally to be relocated from Reaves Park to Griffin Park; however, the City subsequently changed the plans to construct a new Parks, and City Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility adjacent to the City's current Fleet Maintenance Facility at the North Base Complex, located at 1310 Da Vinci Street near the Norman Municipal Airport. The proposed multi-departmental facility provides maintenance for City Parks and Recreation vehicles and equipment, City Transit System buses, and Public Safety vehicles and equipment.

North Base Complex Design: On March 14, 2017, the Norman City Council approved Contract K-1617-114 between the City of Norman and PDG, LLC d.b.a. Planning Design Group, in the amount of \$761,000 for Professional Architectural Design Services for the Griffin Park Sports Complex.

Because PDG, LLC was performing the professional architectural design services for the Griffin Park Sports Complex, City staff recommended amending their contract to include design of the new Parks Maintenance Facility. These services were over and above those included in contract K-1617-114. Due to the desire to co-locate the Parks, City Transit and Public Safety Maintenance Facilities at the North Base Campus, staff further recommended including master

planning and design of the City Transit and Public Safety Maintenance Facilities in the amended contract.

On August 27, 2019, the Norman City Council approved Amendment 1 to Contract K-1617-114 between the City of Norman and PDG, LLC d.b.a. Planning Design Group, in the amount of \$430,280 for additional Professional Architectural Design Services to add the City Park Maintenance Facility and Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility to the existing contract for the Griffin Park Sports Complex.

On April 14, 2020, the Norman City Council approved Amendment 3 to Contract K-1617-114 between the City of Norman and PDG, LLC d.b.a. Planning Design Group, in the amount of \$316,370 for additional Professional Architectural Design Services to provide for an increased project scope and to add bidding services and construction administration services for the City Park Maintenance Facility and Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility to the existing contract for the Griffin Park Sports Complex.

On September 8, 2020, the Norman City Council approved Amendment 5 to Contract K-1617-114 between the City of Norman and PDG, LLC d.b.a. Planning Design Group, in the amount of \$49,500 for additional architectural design services for the proposed City Parks and Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility to include proposed building and parking revisions, project phasing, renderings, and inclusion of federal third party contracting requirements needed for FTA Grant funding.

On September 8, 2020, the Norman City Council approved Amendment 4 to Contract K-1516-110 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, The Norman Municipal Authority, and ADG, P.C., in the amount of \$157,180 adding Construction Phase Services for the North Base Complex, Phase 1 Project to the scope of projects receiving program management services.

On October 13, 2020, the Norman City Council awarded Contract K-2021-35 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and Flintco LLC, in the amount of \$8,648,000, for the construction of the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility.

On March 9, 2021, the Norman City Council approved Change Order 1 to Contract K-2021-35 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and Flintco LLC, in the amount of \$64,737.65 and 20 Calendar Days, for the construction of the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility.

On May 25, 2021, the Norman City Council approved Amendment 6 to Contract K-1617-114 with PDG, LLC d.b.a. Planning Design Group, in the amount of \$40,000, for design services to add an additional manual wash bay to the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility.

On July 13, 2021, the Norman City Council approved Change Order 2 to Contract K-2021-35 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and Flintco LLC, in the amount of \$76,156.98 and 39 Calendar Days, for the construction of the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility.

On October 12, 2021, the Norman City Council approved Change Order 3 to Contract K-2021-35 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and Flintco LLC, in the amount of \$102,609.21 and

58 Calendar Days, for the construction of the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility.

On January 25, 2022, the Norman City Council approved Change Order 4 to Contract K-2021-35 between the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and Flintco LLC, in the amount of \$93,249.12 and 41 Calendar Days, for the construction of the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility.

On January 22, 2022 City staff issued substantial completion for the City Park Maintenance Facility and the Transit/Public Safety Maintenance Facility. Upon issuance of substantial completion, the City moved all Transit/Public Safety Maintenance operations into the new facilities, and out of the University of Oklahoma facilities. Parks Maintenance staff moved in to their new facility a few months later.

On February 8, 2022, the Norman City Council approved appropriation of funds, in the amount of \$1,800,000 from the Capital Fund balance (\$576,000), and General Fund balance (\$684,000), and acting as the Trustees of the Norman Municipal Authority, approved the transfer of \$540,000 from the Sanitation Truck Wash Facility project to the construction of the North Base Complex Phase 2 Project, which provided funds for a vehicle wash facility at the North Base Complex capable of serving all City fleet vehicles and transit busses.

On June 2, 2022, The City of Norman opened bids for the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility project. The low bid, from L5 Construction, was \$2,688,000. This was nearly \$900,000 over the project budget. Consequently, the bids were rejected.

On November 8, 2022, after rebidding the project, the Norman City Council awarded Contract K-2223-33, with L5 Construction, LLC, in the amount of 2,185,500, for construction of the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility project.

On June 27, 2023, the Norman City Council approved Change Order 1 to Contract K-2223-33, with L5 Construction, in the amount of \$97,468 for the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility Project.

## DISCUSSION:

In order to provide electric service to the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility, OG&E requests an easement to extend new electric service westbound along Da Vinci Street from their current termination point near the Parks Maintenance facility to the new Wash Facility site.

Staff has reviewed the easement request and legal description provided by OG&E and takes no exception to granting the easement as provided by OG&E.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends acceptance of Permanent Utility Easement E-2324-2 granted to Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company for providing electric service to the North Base Phase 2 Vehicle Wash Facility.