



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 11/22/2022

REQUESTER: Katherine Coffin

PRESENTER: David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2223-65: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN REQUIRING THAT SWEETGRASS PARTNERS, L.L.C., COORDINATE WITH THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A REQUIRED LEFT-TURN LANE FOR THE PINE CREEK DEVELOPMENT WITHIN ODOT RIGHT-OF-WAY.

BACKGROUND:

The Pine Creek Addition, which is to develop 96 single-family residential homes on the north side of Tecumseh Road and west of 12th Avenue NE, came through the development review cycle in May, 2021. As a part of the development process, the applicant, Sweetgrass Partners, LLC, was required to submit a traffic impact study given the location of the development along Tecumseh Road.

One of the recommendations in the traffic impact study was the construction of a left-turn lane along eastbound Tecumseh Road facilitating movements into the Pine Creek subdivision. Given that the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) is responsible for the maintenance of Tecumseh Road, or U.S. Highway 77, in proximity to the Pine Creek development, a copy of the traffic study was sent to ODOT for concurrence. That concurrence was ultimately received and both the Planning Commission and the City Council approved the Preliminary Plat for Pine Creek Addition. Completion of the left-turn lane is required before a Final Plat may be submitted for the Pine Creek Addition. A location map and a copy of the left-turn lane plan are attached.

DISCUSSION:

Sweetgrass Partners, LLC, has submitted a utility application to ODOT for the development work within the ODOT right-of-way. That permit has been granted. Now, Sweetgrass Partners, LLC, has submitted a request for a driveway/roadway widening permit. The request has stalled while ODOT requests further information from the City of Norman that the work that is to occur at the requirement of the City of Norman. Resolution R-2122-65 was created to explain the requirements for the left-turn lane, the concurrence of the both the City of Norman and ODOT with the need for the turn lane, and that the work is being done on behalf of the City of Norman.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution R-2223-65 explaining the required left-turn lane, the concurrence of the both the City of Norman and ODOT as to the need for the left-turn lane, and that the work being done within the ODOT right-of-way is on behalf of the City of Norman.