



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 6/27/2023

REQUESTER: Rachel Croft, Staff Engineer

PRESENTER: Rachel Croft, Staff Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL, GRANTING, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF EASEMENT E-2223-43: TO OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING GAS SERVICE TO THE NEW LINE MAINTENANCE BUILDING AT 2705 E ROBINSON STREET.

BACKGROUND:

The Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) is about half way done with construction for the new Line Maintenance facility, located northwest of the Water Treatment Plant on the former Hall Park wastewater lagoon site, near the new Emergency Communication and Operations Center (ECOC). The existing facility is located on the North Base property adjacent to the Fleet offices and vehicle servicing areas. Vacation of the existing Line Maintenance space may help alleviate demands by Fleet and other City departments for additional space at the North Base property. The new facility will allow the Water and Sewer Line Maintenance Divisions to more efficiently accomplish their mission now and into the future with expected growth over the next 20 years.

Contract K-1920-109 with Barret L Williamson Architects was negotiated and approved by the Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) on January 28, 2020, with an amendment approved on September 28, 2021. Contract K-2122-115 for Construction Manager at Risk (CMaR) service was awarded to Crossland Construction Company, Inc. on April 26, 2022. Following bidding for the construction trades associated with this project, Amendment 1 to Contract K-2122-115 was approved on October 11, 2022, which incorporated the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) and Alternates for a total contract amount of \$8,507,307.32 the New Line Maintenance Facility.

DISCUSSION:

In order to provide gas services to the site, Oklahoma Natural Gas Company requires an easement to allow for sufficient working areas to operate, maintain, repair or replace facilities. The proposed easement is 10 feet in width leading from Robinson Street north to the location of the new Line Maintenance Administration, Water Line, and Sewer Line buildings, and will provide sufficient working area without impacting the site.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends granting of Easement E-2223-43 to Oklahoma Natural Gas Company necessary for gas service to the new Line Maintenance Building at 2705 E Robinson Street.