



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**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-2223-42: TO OKLAHOMA GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO THE NEW LINE MAINTENANCE BUILDING AT 2705 EAST ROBINSON STREET.

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**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 construction for a total amount of \$8,507,307.32 for the New Line Maintenance Facility.

**DISCUSSION:** In order to provide electrical services to the site, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OG&E) requires an easement to allow for sufficient working areas to operate, maintain, repair or replace facilities. The proposed easement is 10 feet in width and will provide sufficient working area without impacting the site.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends granting of Easement E-2223-42 to Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company necessary for electrical service to the new Line Maintenance Building at 2705 East Robinson Street.