



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 2/11/2025

**REQUESTER:** Katherine Coffin

**PRESENTER:** David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-86: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$112,384 TO THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (O.D.O.T.) FOR CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON THE NORMAN TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER PROJECT.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

Norman's first Traffic Management Center (TMC) is a 2019 Transportation Bond Project that has seen a number of twists and turns going through the bid process up to Award. The project was originally managed by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) but passed rather quickly to the Oklahoma Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) because ODOT does not normally manage architectural projects. After numerous delays, OMES was finally successful in bidding the project with bids received on January 16, 2025.

A total of seven bids were received when bids were due. The apparent low bidder was Pope Contracting, Inc., with a total bid of \$3,065,000 (a copy of the bid tabulations from OMES are attached for reference). The TMC construction is funded in part by a federal grant obtained through the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments as well as local funds that have already been sent to ODOT in anticipation of the beginning of construction. The grant and local funds on deposit with ODOT total \$2,952,616, minus the office furniture to be provided by Oklahoma Correctional Industries at a cost of \$23,036. The amount of the low bid, \$3,065,000, minus the amount available between the grant and local funds on deposit with ODOT, \$2,952,616, leaves a balance of \$112,384 to be paid using local funds since the grant will be entirely exhausted (a copy of the invoice from ODOT is attached for reference). This additional funding would need to be made available in the Traffic Management Center project (BG0087).

**DISCUSSION:**

A number of construction projects have been recently completed that still show balances remaining. Two of these projects have been selected for fund transfers to the TMC Construction account. First, is the Asp Ave Lot project (BG0255), which shows a current balance of \$24,000. This money could be transferred and allow this project to be closed. Second, is the Robinson West of I-35 Project (TR0104), has been completed and shows a current balance of \$164,808. Transferring \$88,384 to the TMC project would leave a balance of \$76,424 in this project. Below is a table showing the proposed fund transfers.

Losing Account					Gaining Account				
Description	Project #	Org	Object	Transfer Amount	Description	Project #	Org	Object	Transfer Amount
Asp Avenue Parking Lot, Construction	BG0255	50594908	46001	-\$24,000	Traffic Management Center Pay-Go	BG0087	50596688	46101	+\$24,000
Robinson West of I-35, Land	TR0104	50595552	46701	-\$88,384	Traffic Management Center Pay-Go	BG0087	50596688	46101	+\$88,384

**RECOMMENDATION 1:**

Staff recommends approval of the transfer of funds from Asp Avenue Parking Lot to Traffic Management Center, Construction in the amount \$24,000.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:**

Staff recommends approval of the transfer of funds from Robinson West of I-35 account to Traffic Management Center Pay-Go Construction in the amount of \$88,384.

**RECOMMENDATION 3:**

Staff recommends approval of Resolution R-2425-86 and payment of final invoice from ODOT.