



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 06/23/2026

REQUESTER: Joseph Hill, Streets Program Manager

PRESENTER: Scott Sturtz, Public Works Director

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2526-158: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND REDLANDS CONTRACTING L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$569,864.00 FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE 24TH AVENUE SW BRIDGE OVER MERKLE CREEK AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION R-2526-127 GRANTING TAX EXEMPT STATUS. (WARD 2)

BACKGROUND:

On October 10, 2023, the citizens of Norman voted in favor of a \$50 million bond issue dedicated to the replacement and rehabilitation of bridges throughout the city. The projects included in this bond are intended to be completed using bond funds, although the City will pursue federal funding opportunities wherever possible to supplement local resources.

On April 9, 2024, City Council approved contract K-2324-154 with Aguirre & Fields to provide engineering design services for the rehabilitation of the 24th Avenue SW bridge over Merkle Creek located 0.4 miles south of West Main Street. Rehabilitation efforts include repairs to the box, improvements to pedestrian facilities, scour repair, and new driving surface. Aguirre & Fields' Scope of Services included:

- Field Inspection and Assessment.
- Detailed Topographic Survey
- Environmental Permitting
- Design Plan submittals at 30%, 90%, and Final Plan stages
- Bidding Assistance and Construction Management
- As-built Drawing Services

Final plans were received for this project on January 14, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

Bid documents and specifications for the 24th Avenue SW Bridge Rehabilitation Project were advertised on May 6, 2026, and May 13, 2026, in accordance with State Law. In addition to advertising bids, staff sent bid documents to sixty (60) contractors directly, including all known

contractors specializing in bridge maintenance and repair. Three (3) bids were received on May 28, 2026.

The low bidder is Redlands Contracting L.L.C. of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in the amount of \$569,864.00. This bid is \$191,667.00 or 25.17% lower than the Engineer's Estimate of \$761,531.00. Staff have carefully reviewed this bid and believe the bid to be competitive and represents a fair price.

Tabulation of Bid Results

Contractor	Total
Redlands Contracting LLC	\$569,864.00
Wyatt Contracting Inc.	\$632,693.25
K&R Builders, Inc.	\$859,498.82
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	\$761,531.00

On April 10, 2024, the City closed on the sale of \$16,000,000 general obligation bond (Series 2024A) with the proceeds being purposed for bridge repair. Adequate funds have been appropriated from these bond funds into the 24th Ave SW Bridge Project (Account No. 50595367- 46101 Construction, Project BP0614).

If approved, rehabilitation of the 24th Avenue SW Bridge Rehabilitation will begin on June 24, 2026, and is estimated to be completed in 120 days.

RECOMMENDATION 1:

Staff recommends approval of Contract K-2526-158, between the City of Norman and Redlands Contracting L.L.C. for the rehabilitation of the 24th Avenue SW Bridge Rehabilitation over Merkle Creek in the amount of \$569,864.00.

RECOMMENDATION 2:

Staff further recommends that, upon approval of Contract K-2526-158, the following bonds be approved:

- Performance Bond No. B-2526-79
- Statutory Bond No. B-2526-80
- Maintenance Bond No. MB-2526-59

RECOMMENDATION 3:

Staff further recommends that, upon approval of Contract K-2526-158, Redlands Contracting L.L.C. be authorized as Project Agent via Resolution No. R-2526-127.