



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/11/2026

REQUESTER: Katherine Coffin

PRESENTER: David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT TWO TO CONTRACT K-1718-51: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND GARVER ENGINEERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,585 FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF 36TH AVENUE NW AND BART CONNER DRIVE AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT. (WARD 8)

BACKGROUND:

City Council approved a design contract with Garver Engineers (Garver) (K-1718-51) for traffic signal designs at 36th Avenue NW at Bart Conner Drive and 36th Avenue NW at Cascade Boulevard, as well as traffic signal interconnect along 36th Avenue NW between Robinson Street and Tecumseh Road. At one time, all three projects were going to be completed as one 100% federally funded Safety project through the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG). However, that plan proved to be unwise as the project proved to be too expensive and difficult to score as a single project. Instead, the interconnect was pulled out and submitted as a separate project that was bid and constructed. The next project to receive funding through ACOG is the traffic signal at 36th Avenue NW and Bart Conner Drive. The traffic signal at the 36th Avenue NW intersection with Cascade Boulevard is still waiting for funding to be approved.

It can be difficult for consultants to effectively manage projects that are unnecessarily delayed because of personnel changes, design cost increases, etc. The 36th Avenue NW and Bart Conner signalization project recently had its 90% plan-in-hand meeting with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), and ODOT is targeting an October letting for construction of the traffic signal.

DISCUSSION:

Following the recent plan-in-hand meeting, a conversation was had with the project manager at Garver regarding the budget that may remain available to address comments to get the plans finalized in time for an October bid letting through ODOT. Garver submitted an amendment to their contract for the original design in the amount of \$10,331. This will complete the design necessary to be ready for that October ODOT bid letting. In order to keep

moving forward toward that future ODOT bid letting, the Traffic Division has funds available in a consultant design account (Professional Services Consultant-Design, Account No. 10550223 44002) to fund the estimated design costs of \$10,331 to be paid to Garver.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Amendment 2 to Contract K-1718-51 with Garver in the amount of \$10,331, bringing the total contract amount to \$65,585, for design services associated with the completion of the traffic signalization plans for the 36th Avenue NW intersection with Bart Conner Drive. In addition, funds available in Professional Services Consultant-Design (Account No. 10550223 44002) be used to pay these design costs.