



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 01/10/2023

REQUESTER: Tim Miles, Capital Projects Engineer

PRESENTER: Shawn O'Leary, Director of Public Works

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2223-85: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND OLSSON, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$559,500 TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE 36TH AVENUE S.E. WIDENING PROJECT FROM CEDAR LANE ROAD TO STATE HIGHWAY 9.

BACKGROUND:

On April 2, 2019, the citizens of Norman voted in favor of a \$72 million transportation bond issue, which includes nineteen (19) projects. Including the anticipated \$67 million in federal dollars being leveraged for these projects, approximately \$139 million is budgeted for these nineteen (19) projects (please see the attached project list and map identifying and showing the general location of the approved projects).

On August 19, 2019, City staff advertised Request for Proposal RFP 1920-16 to solicit Consulting Engineering Services for the fourteen (14) bond projects still requiring design at that time. The selection committee, consisting of three (3) City staff and two (2) citizens, "shortlisted" nine (9) consultant teams for interviews held on October 2, 2019. The five (5) consultant teams selected after interviews to complete the design on these projects are:

- Garver, Norman
- Cowan Group, Oklahoma City
- Freese and Nichols, Oklahoma City
- MacArthur Associated Consultants, Oklahoma City
- Olsson Associates, Oklahoma City

These consultants are being assigned the various projects by City staff based on capacity, performance on their current projects and capabilities of their firm to complete a specific project.

Tonight's agenda item is proposed to award the design engineering services contract for the 36th Avenue SE Widening Project – Cedar Lane Road to State Highway 9 to Olsson, Inc. of Oklahoma City in the amount of \$559,500.

DISCUSSION:

The 36th Avenue SE Widening Project located from Cedar Lane Road to State Highway 9 is approximately one mile in length. The design of this project will expand this section of 36th Avenue SE from two lanes to four and includes bicycle lanes, curb and gutter, and sidewalks. Olsson, Inc. was selected from the pool of on-call consultants based on firm capability, project workload, and past performance.

The Scope of Services includes:

- Detailed Topographic Survey
- Geotechnical Testing
- Design Analysis
- Storm Sewer Design
- Traffic Signal Design
- Bridge Design
- Design Plan submittals at 30%, 60%, 90% and Final Plan stages
- Public Meetings and Stakeholder Involvement
- Preparing right-of-way acquisition documents
- Construction support and record drawings

Utility Relocation Plans will be handled by contract amendment if water and/or sanitary sewer relocations are necessary.

The construction opinion of probable cost is \$6,345,000 with construction planned in 2025. The construction date may change due to project ranking and availability of federal funds.

Funding for these design services in the amount of \$559,500 is available in 36th Avenue SE – Cedar Lane Road to State Highway 9 Widening, Design (Account 50594019-46201; Project BP0423).

If approved, Olsson will begin work immediately on the critical path items. The design work is scheduled to be completed in May 2024, which is based on a traditional ODOT timeline.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Contract K-2223-85, between the City of Norman and Olsson, Inc., for design engineering of the 36th Avenue SE Widening Project – Cedar Lane Road to State Highway 9 in the amount of \$559,500.