



James Garner Avenue Project Bridge Aesthetics/Public Art

City Council Conference


Tuesday, February 8, 2022



Overall Project Summary

- New, uninterrupted corridor into to downtown Norman from Flood Avenue
- Two-lane divided street
- New bridge over Robinson Street
- Multi-lane roundabout intersection at Flood Avenue.
- Re-align and extend Legacy Trail to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety
- Relieves traffic congestion within nearby neighborhoods and on both Flood Avenue and Porter Avenue






James Garner Avenue Project History

- **Initial Norman Forward Project**
 - **Phase 1: Intersection at Acres Street**
 - Completed in early 2020
 - Funded through Norman Forward, RRQZ and NUA
 - **Phase 2: Flood Avenue to Acres Street**
 - Creates a more direct access way between I-35/US-77 to downtown per comprehensive transportation plan (CTP)
 - Anticipated ADT of 17,000 vehicles/day per Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) Traffic Modeling Projections
 - Combination of funding from Norman Forward and ACOG Federal Funds






James Garner Avenue Project History

- **Phase 2 Progress**

- Project awarded federal funds for FY 2022
- Design is at 95% complete
- R/W to be finalized by mid-February
- Utility relocations are under construction
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental investigations nearing completion by Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT)
- Projected bid opening ~ Late Spring 2022
- Construction ~ Summer of 2022
- Presented Concept to CPTC on 1/27/22





James Garner Avenue Project Budget

- **Current Budget Status**
 - CON Funding: \$6,543,617.90
 - Federal Funds: \$4,825,733.00
 - **Total Project Funding: \$11,369,350.90**
- **Current Project Cost Estimate**
 - Phase 1 Cost (Complete): \$1,871,000.00
 - Phase 2 Projected Cost: \$6,639,763.52
 - **Total Project Cost: \$8,510,763.52**
- **Total Project Surplus: \$2,858,587.38**



Possible Public
Art Piece in
Center of Multi-
lane Roundabout

Possible Robinson
Street Bridge
Aesthetics

Legacy Trail

FUTURE JAMES GARNER AVE

STUBBEMAN AVE

ROBINSON ST

HYES ST

MOSIER ST

HIMES ST

JOHNSON ST

FLOOD AVE

UNIVERSITY BLVD

ROBINSON ST

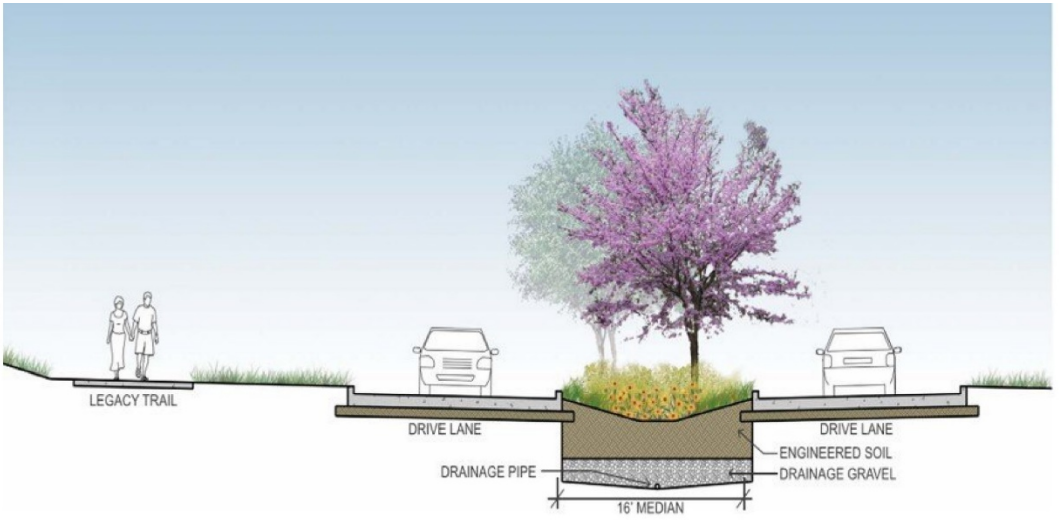




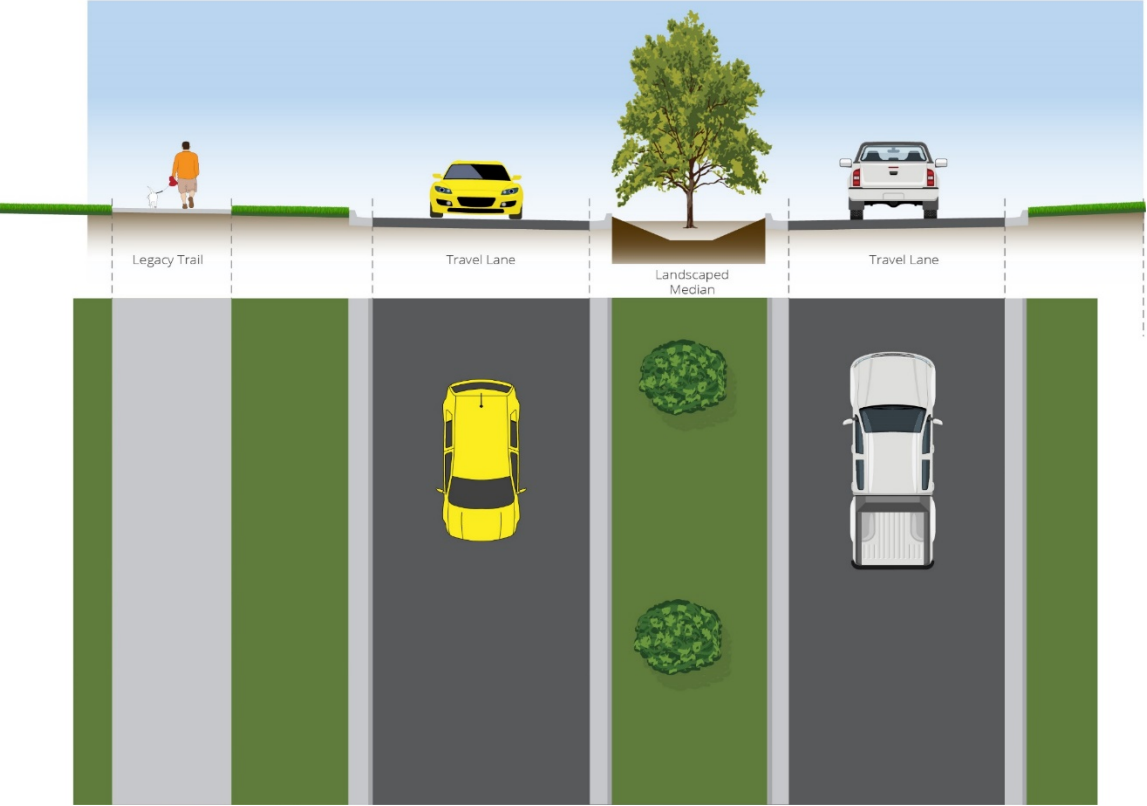
Project Aesthetic Opportunities

- Create an iconic entryway into downtown at the roundabout intersection at Flood Avenue.
- Streetscape and landscaping along JGA's roadway, median and along Legacy Trail.
- Pay homage to the new roadway's namesake at Norman's only railroad underpass bridge.





Project Aesthetic Examples



Bridge Aesthetic Concept

- Black Wrought Iron Style Fencing
- Street and Trail Names on Bridge Beams and City Name on Center Pylon.
- Custom Pontiac Firebird emblem, as seen on the famous 'Rockford Files'.
- LED Back Lighting of all lettering and logos
- Finally, the aesthetics are “signed off” by Garner’s iconic signature.



DAYTIME



Metal Fencing

Pontiac Firebird Emblem

Primary City Lettering

Secondary Street Lettering

James Garner Signature

Terraced Planting

LEGACY TRAIL

JAMES GARNER AVENUE

NORMAN

NIGHTTIME



Beam Letter Back-lighting

Pier Cap Lighting

Pylon Letter Back-lighting

LED Signature Back-light


LEGACY TRAIL

JAMES GARNER AVENUE

NORMAN

James Garner

Opinion of Costs



- Bridge Aesthetics: \$215,500.00
 - Roundabout Public Art Cost: \$200,000.00
- Total: \$415,500.00





Council Direction?

- Add aesthetics on this project?
- Bridge aesthetics as presented with budget of \$215,500?
- Allow Norman Arts Council to proceed with Public Art Project to be located at the new roundabout with a budget of \$200,000?

