



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/13/2024

REQUESTER: Paul D'Andrea, Capital Projects Engineer

PRESENTER: Scott Sturtz, Interim Public Works Director

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT ONE TO CONTRACT K-2122-136: A PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GRAY STREET TWO WAY PROJECT – UNIVERSITY AVENUE TO PORTER AVENUE, FEDERAL AID PROJECT STP-214C(142)AG, JOB NO. 35956(04).

BACKGROUND:

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

On April 28, 2020, the City Council approved Contract No. K-1920-124, with MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$287,000.00 for design of the Gray Street Two-Way 2019 Bond Project.

On October 12, 2021, the City Council approved Amendment 1 to Contract K-1920-124, with MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$15,000 for design of the Gray Street Two Way 2019 Bond Project

On June 14, 2022, the City Council approved Contract K-2122-136, a project agreement with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), for the construction of the Gray Street Two-Way 2019 Bond Project, and Resolution R-2122-130 adopting the agreement for the project. The agreement outlines a cost share of 20% City funds and 80% federal funds to a maximum of \$1,765,853.

On July 26, 2022, the City Council approved Amendment 2 to Contract K-1920-124, with MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$36,000 for design of the Gray Street Two Way 2019 Bond Project.

The proposed agenda item is for considering approval of Amendment 1 to Contract K-2122-136, which amends the original ODOT Project Agreement allocating an additional \$3,200,000 for the Gray Street Two Way project.

DISCUSSION:

The original ODOT Project Agreement for the Gray Street Two Way Project was approved by City Council on June 14, 2022. Recently, ACOG received an additional \$10 million that needed to be authorized to construction projects by October of this year. ODOT staff went to work evaluating projects going to bid by October as well as projects that are currently under construction. One of the main factors in selecting which projects would receive additional funds was the percentage of matching funds that the cities had contributed. City staff were excited to hear that the City of Norman received additional funds on three (3) of the six (6) projects selected, which totaled \$6,269,209 of the \$10 million available. The additional federal funds received by the City of Norman are as follows:

- Jenkins Avenue Widening Project - \$2,750,000
 - Gray Street 2-Way Project - \$2,700,000
 - Porter Avenue Streetscape - \$819,209
- Total \$6,269,209

In addition to this additional ACOG funding, the Gray Street Two Way project was also awarded Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funding in the amount of \$500,000, bringing the total amount for this amendment to \$3,200,000.

With the previously-allocated ACOG funds on the Gray Street Two Way Project in the amount of \$1,765,853, this project will now receive \$4,965,853.00 in federal funds. Tonight's Amendment 1 to Contract K-2122-136, ODOT Project Agreement, revises **SECTION 4: FUNDING AGREEMENT** to address the additional federal funds being allocated to the project.

This project is currently in the pre-construction phase with an estimated construction start in early August. The final ODOT estimate for the project is \$7,082,807 including Construction and Construction Management (6%) for the roadway two way conversion project, with the City's portion being \$2,116,954.

The total cost shown in this amendment does not include the cost of required railroad crossing improvements. The railroad improvement costs are being calculated by BNSF and are expected to be determined within the next month. These costs are expected to be covered by a combination of these additional federal funds and funds already paid by the City to ODOT under the original funding agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Amendment 1 Contract K-2122-136 with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.