



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 03/26/2024

**REQUESTER:** Katherine Coffin

**PRESENTER:** David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF AWARDING, ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF BID-2324-41 AND CONTRACT K-2324-131: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND ELLSWORTH CONSTRUCTION OKC, LLC DBA A-TECH PAVING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,312.85 FOR THE CLASSEN SIDEWALK PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2324-52, STATUTORY BOND B-2324-53, MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2324-50, AND RESOLUTION R-2324-109 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

There are some gaps in the sidewalks along Classen Boulevard from Enid Street to Shawnee Street to the north and from the end of the sidewalk at the Edge Apartments to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE. This project will fill in those gaps at the previous mentioned locations.

In the 2014 Comprehensive Transportation Plan one of the key items was to fill in the gaps in the sidewalks throughout the city. This project was added to the City Capital Program in the fiscal year 2017. It was initially planned to get funding through the municipal planning organization, the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments, but was later moved to be 100% local funding in 2020. During design, it was determined that three easements were required to construct portions of the sidewalk. Those sidewalk easements were donated from the property owners last year (a copy of the sidewalk project boundaries is included as an attachment).

### **DISCUSSION:**

One of the transportation network improvements recommended in the 2014 Comprehensive Transportation Plan calls for filling in the gaps in sidewalks throughout the city. This project will fill in the gaps at two locations. The north location is from Enid Street to Shawnee Street along the east side of Classen Boulevard and the south location begins just at the south property line/end of sidewalk at the Edge Apartments and continues to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE.

Bids were opened for the construction project on February 29, 2024. The bid package, 2324-41, included Contract K-2324-131, Performance Bond B-2324-52, Statutory Bond B-2324-53,

and Maintenance Bond MB-2324-50. With a bid of \$154,312.85, Ellsworth Construction OKC, LLC dba A-Tech Paving, of Oklahoma City, was the apparent low bidder. Ellsworth Construction OKC is a responsible bidder. They have successfully performed similar work for the City of Oklahoma City and the City of Norman in the past. A copy of the bid tabulation as well as the contract and bonds are attached.

Funds totaling \$189,760 are available in Classen Sidewalk: Boyd – 12<sup>th</sup> SE (TR0110). This covers 100% of the construction cost of the project.

A Notice to Proceed will be issued to Ellsworth Construction OKC/A-Tech Paving following the Council's consideration at the March 26, 2024, Council meeting. A pre-construction meeting is anticipated in early April with construction beginning in mid to late April. A total of 90-day construction time is anticipated resulting in completion in July 2024.

### **RECOMMENDATION 1:**

Staff recommends award of Bid 2324-41 to Ellsworth Construction OKC/A-Tech Paving. Funding will come from Classen Sidewalk: Boyd – 12<sup>th</sup> SE - Construction (Account 50597712-46101; Project TR0110).

### **RECOMMENDATION 2:**

Staff recommends that upon approval of Bid 2324-41 that the Mayor be authorized to sign Contract K-2324-131 between the City of Norman and Ellsworth Construction OKC/A-Tech Paving in the total amount of \$154,312.85 as well as the following bonds, in the amount of the contract:

Performance Bond B-2324-52  
Statutory Bond B-2324-53  
Maintenance Bond MB-2324-50

### **RECOMMENDATION 3:**

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution R-2324-109 designating Ellsworth Construction OKC/A-Tech Paving as the City's agent for the purchase of materials associated with the FYE 2024 Classen Boulevard Sidewalks Project to avoid the payment of sales tax on material purchases related to the project.