

# CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 01/14/2025

**REQUESTER:** Joseph Hill, Streets Program Manager

- **PRESENTER:** Scott Sturtz, Director of Public Works
- TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN AND CIMARRON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CHANGE ORDER 1 AND FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT K-2324-4 AND FINAL PAYMENT OF \$23,003.28 FOR THE FYE 2024 BRIDGE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM.

### BACKGROUND:

In previous years, staff has bid out an annual project for maintenance on specific locations. Because of the success of the annual bridge maintenance program the average sufficiency rating of the City's bridge inventory has improved. As a result, staff has seen a proportional reduction in the scale of maintenance required at each individual location on most bridges in the City's inventory. In response, and with the intention to provide staff adequate flexibility to address maintenance issues city-wide, the FYE 2024 Bridge Maintenance Program bid was let as unit price contract modeled after other municipal bridge maintenance programs. Staff compiled a list of pay items, referenced the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) average price index, and referenced the City's prior years' Bridge Maintenance unit prices to formulate a representative engineer's estimate. Contractors were asked to submit bids based on the pay items and quantities listed.

On June 22, 2023, the City of Norman received one (1) bid from Cimarron Construction Company in the amount of \$478,290.75. This bid was \$29,685.75 above the Engineer's Estimate of \$448,605. Staff carefully reviewed the bid and believed it to be competitive and represented a fair market price.

On July 25, 2023, City Council approved Contract K-2324-4 with Cimarron Construction Company for the FYE 2024 Bridge Maintenance Program in the amount of \$478,290.75 to perform routine bridge maintenance on various bridge locations in the City of Norman.

### DISCUSSION:

Cimarron Construction Company performed maintenance on the following eight (8) bridges located in various areas around the City:

National Bridge Inventory (NBI) Number	LOCATION
30152	60 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW – 0.4 miles N of Tecumseh Road
20182	Havenbrook St – 300' E of 36 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW
19584	Willow Branch Rd – 0.1 miles N of West Main St
24966	Crestmont St – 150' E of Merkle Drive
12203	W Brooks St – 0.1 miles E of Berry Road
28743	E. Rock Creek Rd – 0.4 miles E of Porter Avenue
25220	E Constitution St – 0.3 miles W of US 77
26487	48 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE – 0.3 miles E of Rock Creek Road
20014	72 <sup>nd</sup> Ave SE – 0.6 miles N of SH9

Construction projects are awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Contractor bids are determined using estimated plan quantities multiplied by the contractor's unit prices for all bid items of the contract. The total of all of these costs represents the contractor's bid. During construction, each quantity is verified in the field and the contractor is to be reimbursed based on the actual quantity of materials and/or labor used.

Of the thirty-two (32) bid items associated with the original bid, thirty (30) items have a quantity change. Ten (10) quantity changes resulted in increased cost, while twenty (20) quantity changes resulted in decreased cost for an overall decrease of \$18,225.07 or 3.81%. If approved, the overall contract will decrease from \$478,290.75 to \$460,065.68. Please see the attached Change Order 1 for a complete list of proposed bid item cost increases and decreases.

Funds for the final payment are available in the Capital Projects Fund, Bridge Maintenance Program, Construction (Account 50596687-46101; Project TC0254).

# **RECOMMENDATION 1**:

Staff recommends that Change Order 1, decreasing Contract K-2324-4 for the FYE 2024 Bridge Maintenance Program with Cimarron Construction Company, by \$18,225.07 (from \$478,290.75 to \$460,065.68) be approved.

# **RECOMMENDATION 2:**

Staff further recommends final acceptance of the FYE 2024 Bridge Maintenance Program, Contract K-2324-4, and final payment to Cimarron Construction Company be approved in the amount of \$23,003.28.