



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 01/09/2024

**REQUESTER:** Tim Miles, Capital Projects Engineer

**PRESENTER:** Scott Sturtz, City Engineer, Interim Director of Public Works

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2324-115: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NOTMAN AND MACARTHUR ASSOCIATED CONSULTANTS, LLC, FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING OF THE LINDSEY STREET SPECIAL CORRIDOR PROJECT – ELM AVENUE TO JENKINS AVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$259,825 FOR THE 2019 BOND PROJECT AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

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### **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.

The proposed agenda item is to award the design engineering services contract for the Lindsey Street Special Corridor Project – Elm Avenue to Jenkins Avenue with MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC of Oklahoma City in the amount of \$259,825.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The Lindsey Street Special Corridor Project located from Elm Avenue to Jenkins Avenue is approximately 0.4 miles in length. The design of this project will reconstruct this segment of Lindsey Street to remain a 3-lane roadway, but focus on addressing the existing drainage issues, improving off-street pedestrian and bike mobility, and intersection efficiency. A raised, center median is also proposed to improve safety at mid-block pedestrian crossings for University of Oklahoma students.

MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC 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 at Elm Avenue
- ADA and hike/bike path improvements
- 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. Also, right-of-way legal descriptions, tract maps and staking will be handled by contract amendment after the level of effort is better determined.

The construction opinion of probable cost is \$4,200,000 with construction planned in fiscal year 2026 or 2027 if federal funds are secured. The construction date may change due to project ranking and availability of federal funds.

Funding for these design services in the amount of \$259,825 will come from the design account within the Lindsey Street Special Corridor Project – Elm Avenue to Jenkins Avenue Project (BP0428, 50594019-46201).

If approved, MacArthur will begin work immediately on this project.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of Contract K-2324-115, between the City of Norman and MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC, for design engineering of the Lindsey Street Special Corridor Project – Elm Avenue to Jenkins Avenue in the amount of \$259,825.

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