



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: October 13, 2026

REQUESTER: Katherine Coffin

PRESENTER: David Riesland, Transportation Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2627-44: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA REQUESTING \$7,500,000 IN STBG-UZA FUNDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO JAMES GARNER AVENUE (PHASE 3) IN NORMAN. (WARD 4)

BACKGROUND:

The current federal transportation funding bill allocates approximately \$40 Million in Federal funds per year for the implementation of eligible transportation improvements in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area. Ten percent of this appropriation is used to fund safety projects at 100% of their construction cost.

Every year, the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) coordinates a regional evaluation process that identifies transportation improvements eligible for federal funding. Individual projects are rated and compared to one another using a pre-established criterion. The process ends with the formulation of the region's transportation improvement program and the decision to use federal funds to pay for a significant portion of the cost of the higher priority projects.

DISCUSSION:

On or before the end of October 2026, staff will submit the ten highest ranked projects for consideration in the formulation of ACOG's 2030 Transportation Improvement Program update. To be eligible, each submitted project must have a programming resolution submitted for the project with a cost that matches the Engineer's Estimate.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. R-2627-44 (James Garner Avenue Improvements (Phase 3) between Acres Street and Duffy Street) requesting \$7,500,000 in Federal STBG/UZA funds for 68.41% of the projected construction cost.