

# CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

#### **MEETING DATE:** 6/10/2025

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

- **PRESENTER:** Scott Sturtz, Public Works Director
- **ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE. **REJECTION**, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-111 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN. OKLAHOMA. AND WYATT CONTRACTING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$332,106.00 FOR THE LINDSEY STREET AND CLASSEN BOULEVARD BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT, AWARDING PERFORMANCE BOND B-2425-53: STATUTORY BOND B-2425-54: MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2425-41, AND ADOPTING RESOLUTION R-2425-114 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

#### BACKGROUND:

On October 10, 2023, the citizens of Norman voted in favor of a \$50 million bond issue dedicated to the replacement and rehabilitation of bridges throughout the city. The projects included in this bond are intended to be completed using bond funds, although the City will pursue federal funding opportunities wherever possible to supplement local resources.

Prior to the election, with strong voter attitude survey results and City Council support, and to ensure readiness to proceed with key projects immediately upon voter approval, staff solicited a proposal from H.W. Lochner, Inc. to prepare construction drawings for the rehabilitation of the bridge at Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard.

On August 31, 2023, the City Manager approved contract K-2324-63 with H.W. Lochner Inc., for the preparation of construction drawings for the rehabilitation of the Lindsey Street Bridge located at the intersection of Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard in the amount of \$30,800.00.

Bid documents and specifications for the Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard Bridge Rehabilitation Project were advertised on May 2, 2024 and May 9, 2025 in accordance with State Law. One (1) bid was received on May 30, 2024. The bid received was \$618,276.80. This bid was rejected as it exceeded the Engineer's Estimate and there was no other bid for comparison.

## **DISCUSSION:**

After review of the plans and consultation with the design engineer, it was determined to advertise this project for bids a second time. Bid documents and specifications for the Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard Bridge Rehabilitation Project were advertised on April 2, 2025 and April 11, 2025 in accordance with State Law. In addition to advertising bids, staff sends bid documents to forty-three (43) contractors directly, including all known contractors specializing in bridge maintenance and repair. Three (3) bids were received on May 1, 2025.

The low bidder is Wyatt Contracting of Weatherford, Oklahoma in the amount of \$332,106.00. This bid is \$13,474.00 or 6.2% above the Engineer's Estimate of \$312,632.00. Staff has carefully reviewed this bid, and believes the bid to be competitive and represents a fair price. This will be the first project that Wyatt Contracting will perform in the City of Norman and after a thorough review the bidder's Statement of Qualifications, staff believes them to be a responsible bidder.

Tabulation of Bid Results	
Contractor	Total
K&R Builders	\$479,969.50
PbX Corporation	\$434,736.81
Wyatt Contracting	\$332,106.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$312,632.00

On April 10, 2024, the City closed on the sale of \$16,000,000 general obligation bond (Series 2024A) with the proceeds being purposed for bridge repair. An appropriation of funds will be needed to pay for these construction services in the amount of \$332,106.00.

If approved, the Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard Bridge Rehabilitation Project will begin on or before July 16, 2025, and is estimated to be completed in 75 days.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 1:**

Staff further recommends appropriation of \$332,106.00 from the Capital Fund, General Obligation Bond Balance (Account 50-29000) to the Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard Bridge Rehabilitation Bond Project, Construction (Account 50595367-46101; Project BP0610).

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2:**

Staff recommends approval of Contract K-2425-111, between the City of Norman and Wyatt Contracting for the rehabilitation of the Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard Bridge.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 3:**

Staff further recommends that, upon approval of Contract K-2425-111, the following bonds be accepted:

Performance Bond No. B-2425-53 Statutory Bond No. B-2425-54 Maintenance Bond No. MB-2425-41

### **RECOMMENDATION 4:**

Staff further recommends that, upon approval of Contract K-2425-111, Wyatt Contracting be authorized as Project Agent via Resolution No. R-2425-114.