

## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 10/11/2022

**REQUESTER:** Jeff Fordice, Capital Projects Engineer

PRESENTER: Shawn O'Leary, Public Works Director

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION,

AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2223-55: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND GARVER, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$699,950 FOR THE DESIGN ENGINEERING OF THE 24TH AVENUE N.E. WIDENING PROJECT

FROM ROCK CREEK ROAD TO TECUMSEH ROAD.

## **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 at that time. 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 will be chosen and assigned for the various projects, as they come forward in the schedule, by City staff based on capacity, performance on their current projects and capabilities of their firm to complete a specific project.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Tonight's agenda item is to award the design engineering services contract for the 24<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Widening Project – Rock Creek Road to Tecumseh Road to Garver, LLC of Norman in the amount of \$699,950.00. The 24<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Widening Project located from Rock Creek Road to Tecumseh Road will also include the reconstruction of approximately 500 feet of each intersection leg for a total project length of 8,280 feet, or 1.5 miles. The design of this project

will expand this section of 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE from two lanes to four and includes bicycle lanes, curb and gutter, and sidewalks.

Garver LLC was selected from the pool of on-call consultants based on firm capability, project workload, and past performance. Garver's Scope of Services includes:

- Geotechnical Testing
- Traffic and Design Analysis
- Storm Sewer Design
- Traffic Signal Design
- Design Plan submittals at 30%, 60%, 90% and Final Plan stages
- Public Meetings and Stakeholder Involvement
- Preparing right-of-way acquisition documents
- Bidding and Construction support and record drawings

The construction opinion of probable cost is \$8,951,000 with construction planned in 2025. The construction date may change due to project ranking and availability of Federal funds.

Funding for these design services in the amount of \$699,950 will come from 24th Avenue NE – Rock Creek Road to Tecumseh Road Widening Bond Project, Design (Account 50594019-46201; Project BP0426). If approved, Garver will begin work immediately on the critical path items. The design work is scheduled to be completed in September 2023.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of Contract K-2223-55 with Garver, LLC, for design engineering of the 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE – Rock Creek Road to Tecumseh Road Project in the amount of \$699,950.