



Meeting Date: December 5, 2016

Consent Docket Item: 4-d

Report No.: CC-16-148

Department: Transportation

Subject: STPW05 Phase II - Western Road Improvement Project – Oklahoma Natural Gas Agreement: Gas Facilities Relocation Western Road: McElroy Road to Lakeview Road

Budget Impact: The ½ cent sales tax includes sufficient funds for the Phase II utility relocation costs.

Background: The Western Road Improvement Project is a joint project between the City of Stillwater and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT). As part of the agreement with ODOT, the City of Stillwater is responsible for the costs of design, rights-of-way acquisition, and utility relocation.

The City is responsible for compensating utilities for relocations that are located within private easements owned by the utility company. The widening of Western Road between McElroy Road and Lakeview Road requires the relocation and adjustment of the high pressure natural gas line. The October 19, 2015 agreement between the City of Stillwater and ONG covered the relocation of the ONG utility between W. Hall of Fame Avenue and W. McElroy Road. The gas line in need of relocation for Phase II of the project between W. McElroy Road and W. Lakeview Road is owned by Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG) and currently resides in an easement owned by ONG on OSU property on the west side of Western Road, outside of the present City right-of-way.

The cost to relocate ONG's utility between McElroy Road and Lakeview Road is \$183,378. The gas utility will be moved from its present 10' ONG easement on the west side of the road to the east side of the road, just south of the intersection with W. McElroy Rd. This requires new easement on OSU property outside of the proposed right-of-way. The majority of the new ONG line will be located in the proposed right-of-way for the project.

OSU has given temporary and permanent construction easements and permanent right-of-way easements to the City of Stillwater for the Western Road Improvement Project encompassing Phase I and Phase II of the project.

Prior Council Action or Part of an Approved Project: Yes

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Recommendation: Staff recommends the Council authorize the Mayor to sign the relocation agreement with ONG and authorize expenditures of \$183,378 to be paid to ONG as reimbursement for the utility relocation.

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