

**RIGHT-OF-WAY, PUBLIC UTILITY
AND ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the City of Norman, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, hereinafter called the City and the Department of Transportation of the State of Oklahoma, hereinafter called the Department,

Witnesseth:

That for and in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, it is mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

In connection with the location and improvement of a portion of the City Street System within the corporate limits of the City, now designated as widening Cedar Lane between 12th Ave SE and 0.5 miles east of 24th Ave SE in Norman under plans and specifications for STP-214C(011)AG, Job No. 29261(04).

WHEREAS, legislative authorization and the rules, regulations, and policies of the Department provide the basis of cooperation between the parties to effect such highway improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

The City agrees:

1. To the location of said highway, acknowledges receipt of and adopts the plans for said project as the official grade and drainage plans of the Underwriter for the streets, boulevards, or arterial highway included therein. Further, and in addition to the provisions contained elsewhere herein, City hereby grants to the Department access to and the use of all rights-of-way belonging to or controlled by the City and City shall not permit the vacation of any such street, alley or other rights-of-way without the prior written approval of Chief, Right of Way Division, Department of Transportation, State of Oklahoma.

2. That prior to the advertising of the project for bids (as to that part of the project lying within the present corporate limits) it will:
 - (a) Grant to the Department and its contractors, the right-of-entry to all existing streets, alleys, and City owned property when required, and other rights-of-way shown on said plans.
 - (b) Remove at its own expense, or cause the removal of, all encroachments on existing streets as shown on said plans, including all signs, buildings, porches, awnings, porticos, fences, gasoline pumps and islands, and any other such private installations. Said removal shall be accomplished immediately on execution of this agreement and shall include necessary legal action where required.
 - (c) Prohibit parking on that portion of the project within the corporate limits of the Local Public Agency.
 - (d) Comply with the Department's standards for construction of driveway entrances from private property to the highway, in accordance with the Department's manual entitled "Policy on Driveway Regulation for Oklahoma Highways", Rev. 5/96, 69 O.S. (2001) § 1210.
 - (e) Maintain all right of way acquired for the construction of this project, as shown on said plans, in a manner consistent with applicable statutes, codes, ordinances and regulations of the Department and the State of Oklahoma.
3. That City will:
 - (a) Determine and locate, with the Department's approval, a detour route over existing city streets, if a re-routing of traffic or a detour is necessary during the period of construction.
 - (b) Be responsible during or subsequent to construction, for all costs for the operation and any maintenance necessary to the approved detour route over existing City streets, or any other street as a result of additional traffic.
 - (c) Be responsible for all costs for repairs or maintenance to any City street, during or subsequent to construction, which results from additional traffic where construction is performed under traffic.

- (d) To the extent permitted by the **Oklahoma Governmental Tort Claims Act**, Title 51 Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 151 *et seq.* and by Oklahoma Constitution Article 10, section 26 and as otherwise permitted by law, the City shall indemnify and save harmless the Department, its officers and employees, and shall process and defend at its own expense all claims, demands, or suits whether in law or equity brought against the City or the Department arising from the City's execution, performance, or failure to perform, and provisions of this agreement or alleged negligence in the location, design, construction, operation, or maintenance of a portion of the City Street System within the corporate limits of the City. Provided, nothing herein shall require the City to reimburse the Department for damages arising out of bodily injury to persons or damage to property caused by or resulting from the sole negligence of the Department. When any alleged act, omission, negligence, or misconduct may be subject to the limitations, exemptions, or defenses which may be raised under the **Oklahoma Governmental Tort Claims Act**, 51 O.S. § 151 *et seq.*, all such limitations, exemptions, and defenses shall be available to and may be asserted by City. No liability shall attach to the Department except as expressly provided herein.
- e) Comply with all applicable laws and regulations necessary to meet the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) requirements for pollution prevention including discharges from storm water runoff during the planning and design of this project. Further, the City agrees and stipulates as stated in the ODEQ's *General Permit OKR10*, dated September 13, 2002, or latest revision, to secure a storm water permit with the ODEQ, for utility relocations when required. It is agreed that the storm water management plan for the project previously described in the document includes the project plans and specifications, required schedules for accomplishing the temporary and permanent erosion control work, the storm water pollution prevention plan and the appropriate location map contained in the utility relocation plans

4. That subsequent to the construction of said project, City will:

- (a) Keep all permanent right-of-way shown on said plans free from any encroachment and take immediate action to effect the removal of any encroachments upon notification by the Department, including all necessary legal action when required.

- (b) Erect, maintain, and operate traffic control signals, including speed limit and traffic control signs, only in accordance with 47 OS 2001, Section 15-104, 15-105 and 15-106, and subject to the approval, direction and control of the Department.
 - (c) Regulate and control traffic on said project, including but not limited to, the speed of vehicles, parking, stopping, and turns, in accordance with 47 OS 2001, 15-104, et seq. and to make no changes in the provisions thereof without the approval of the Department.
 - (d) Maintain all that part of said project within the corporate limits of the City.
 - (e) The City shall have the authority pursuant to 69 O.S. 2001 § 1001 and 69 O.S. 2001 § 1004 to sell any lands, or interest therein, which were acquired for highway purposes as long as such sale is conducted in accordance with the above cited statutes. Prior written approval by the Chief, Right-of-Way Division for the Department shall be required before any sale is made.
5. That all covenants of this Agreement shall apply to any area hereinafter annexed to the City which lies within the limits of this project.
 6. That it will, by resolution, duly authorize the execution of this Agreement by the proper officials, and attach copies of such resolution to this Agreement.
 7. To acquire all right-of-way, if any, be responsible for the total costs for removing and relocating outdoor advertising signs and for the relocation assistance payments to persons displaced by reason of the acquisition of right-of-way and be responsible for the removal or relocation of all utility lines on public or private rights-of-way to accommodate the construction of this project.
- (a) Transmit copies of the instruments, including all deeds and easements, to the Department prior to the advertisement of bids for construction.

- (b) Comply with the provisions of 42 U.S.C.A. § 4601-4655 and 23 U.S.C.A. § 323 (as amended) and, further comply with 49 C.F.R. Part 24 in the acquisition of all necessary right-of-way and relocation of all displacees.
 - (c) That as a condition to receiving any Federal Financial Assistance from the Department, it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252.42 U.S.C. 2000d-35 seq., and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, "Nondiscrimination of federally-assisted Program of the Department of Transportation-Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964".
8. If the acquisition of right-of-way for this project causes the displacement of any person, business or non-profit organization, the City will provide and be responsible for the Relocation Assistance Program and for all cost associated with the relocation assistance payments. The Department will supply a list of approved service providers qualified to administer the Relocation Assistance Program. The City agrees to employ a service provider from the approved list and comply with all applicable rules, regulations, statutes, policies and procedures of both the United States and the State of Oklahoma. Before any relocation assistance payments are made, all files with parcels requiring relocation shall be audited by the Department. The Department shall be notified in writing within seven (7) days of the date of the offer to the property owner on any parcel which will require relocation assistance. Written notifications of offers to acquire shall be addressed to Project Manager, Right-of-Way Division, Oklahoma Department of Transportation, 200 N. E. 21st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.

IN CONSIDERATION of the grants and covenants by the City herein contained and the faithful performance thereof by the City, the City agrees to construct said project in accordance with said plans and specifications; provided that the right to review and approve and to make such changes in the plans and specifications as are necessary for the proper construction of said project is reserved to the Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, the City on the ____ day of _____, 20__, and the State on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NORMAN

City Clerk

Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO
FORM AND LEGALITY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Chief, Legal Division (ODOT)

Director