



Legislation Text

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CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2021-130: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND COWAN GROUP ENGINEERING, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$93,800 TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE JAMES GARNER WATER LINE REPLACEMENT FROM MAIN STREET TO DUFFY STREET.

BACKGROUND: The Public Works Department is moving forward with the James Garner Avenue Streetscape project which will improve this corridor including new paving and sidewalks from Andrews Park south to Duffy Street. This project is currently under design by Cowan Group Engineering LLC (Cowan Group).

Water lines located within this corridor are over 50 years old and have experienced failures that disrupt water service and also traffic flows for this important street corridor. Replacement of these water lines prior to the surface improvements would ensure good infrastructure and reduce the likelihood that the surface improvements have to be removed and replaced for future water line replacement work.

DISCUSSION: Cowan Group was determined to be the best engineer to complete the design of the replacement water lines through this project area. Their firm has completed multiple water line replacement projects and their completion of this design in combination with the streetscape will reduce conflicts for the projects since the water line replacement is anticipated to be completed prior to the streetscape improvements.

The water line replacement project will replace existing 6, 8, 12, and 16-inch water lines from Main Street to Duffy Street. The portion from Andrews Park south to Main Street was replaced under a previous project. This project includes approximately 3,900 linear feet of water line.

Available funds in the amount of \$109,000 are available in Water Line Replacement: Classen/Flood: Highway 9 to Indian Hills Replacement design account (WA0338-DESIGN - 31996683-46201). This is sufficient to fund the proposed contract of \$93,800.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the NUA approve Contract K-2021-130 in the amount of \$93,800 with Cowan Group Engineering, LLC for engineering services for the James Garner Water Line Replacement from Main Street to Duffy Street.