

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

July 12, 2011

The City Council of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in a Special Session at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Conference Room on the 12th day of July, 2011, and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted in the Municipal Building at 201 West Gray and the Norman Public Library at 225 North Webster 48 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell, Gallagher, Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding, Mayor Pro Tem Quinn

ABSENT: Mayor Rosenthal

Item 1, being:

CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE TO CONTRACT NO. K-1011-181 WITH RMD HOLDINGS, LTD., D/B/A NATIONWIDE CONSTRUCTION GROUP DECREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$114,518.30 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS FAST FILL AND SLOW FILL PUBLIC FUELING FACILITY.

Item 2, being:

CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE TO CONTRACT NO. K-1011-182 WITH TULSA GAS TECHNOLOGIES, INC., DECREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$10,500 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) FAST FILL AND SLOW FILL EQUIPMENT.

Mr. Shawn O'Leary, Director of Public Works, said the new CNG Fueling Facility is located at the intersection of Goddard Avenue and Highway 77 (Flood Avenue). He provided an overview of the new facility which also will continue to provide unleaded and diesel fuel. He said on April 26, 2011, City Council awarded bids for the purchase of the equipment for the facility which was over \$900,000. Council will consider the bids this evening for the site work which includes paving, fencing, and canopies and the installation of the equipment. He said the bid from Nationwide Construction Group for the site work was in the amount of \$527,369 which was over the budget of \$410,000. He said Mr. John Bolte, Small Arrow Engineering, had recommended value engineering and items were reduced or taken out of the project equaling a 22% reduction in cost. He said Change Order No. One decreases the contract amount by \$114,518.30 by reducing the length of masonry enclosure wall and composite fence, reducing the size of the canopy and concrete slab; eliminating the fiber optic interconnect; and providing installation of the equipment carports by City forces. He said the change order brings the bid to \$412,851.18.

He said the low bid for the equipment installation was from Tulsa Gas Technologies, Inc., was \$133,730. He said there had been a minor error in the bid proposal which duplicated an item and a deduct Change Order was required of \$10,500. He said total costs for the CNG Facility to date are \$1,652,033 which is 0.92% over the budget of \$1,636,986. He said the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) stimulus grant funds are being used for the Fast Fill Fueling Station and Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) grants funds are being used for the Slow Fill side of the fueling station with a cost breakdown of 70% grant funds and 30% City funds. He said some of the benefits of this station were possible excise tax rebates and the potential of a \$1.3 million savings for the City as well as the ability to partner with other agencies in Norman like Norman Public Schools, Cleveland County, the University of Oklahoma, and other municipalities. He said the project should begin July 15, 2011, and open in October, 2011.

Councilmember Gallagher asked if elimination of the fiber optic line would limit or curtail what was originally planned. Mr. John Bolte, Small Arrow Engineering, said the fiber optic interconnect was approximately a \$40,000 item and the other option was to have the traditional telephone service with DSL which allows card readers to communicate. He said a conduit would be stubbed out to allow access at a later date. Councilmember Gallagher asked if the change in walls and the fences would decrease security. Mr. Bolte said the fences were shifted into a different configuration to save distance, the masonry wall was shifted and replaced with a composite wall, and there would be no security issues from these changes. He said City forces would be able to some of the work reducing costs. He said the canopy was reduced by six feet and a different vendor was used with a much lower price.

Items submitted for the record

1. Text File No. K-1011-181 dated July 1, 2011 by Mike White, Fleet Superintendent
2. Change Order No. One to Contract No. K-1011-181
3. Text File No. K-1011-182 with attached CNG equipment installation budget
4. Change Order No. Two to Contract No. K-1011-182

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Item 3, being:

CONSIDERATION OF ADJOURNING INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY OKLAHOMA STATUTES TITLE 25 § 307(B)(2) TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING EMPLOYEES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE GROUPS.

Councilmember Ezzell moved that the Special Session be adjourned out of and an Executive Session be convened into as authorized by Oklahoma Statutes Title 25 § 307(B)(2) to discuss negotiations regarding employees and representatives of employee groups, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Griffith; and the question being upon adjourning out of the Special Session and convening into an Executive Session as authorized by Oklahoma Statutes Title 25 § 307(B)(2) to discuss negotiations regarding employees and representatives of employee groups, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell, Gallagher, Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding, Mayor Pro Tem Quinn

NAYES: None

The Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried and the Special Session adjourned out of; and an Executive Session was convened into as authorized by Oklahoma Statutes Title 25 § 307(B)(2) to discuss negotiations regarding employees and representatives of employee groups.

The City Council adjourned into Executive Session at 5:48 p.m. Mr. Steve Lewis, City Manager; Mr. Jeff Bryant, City Attorney; Ms. Gala Hager, Director of Human Resources; and Mr. Michael Bates, Labor Relations Consulting Services; were in attendance at the Executive Session.

Mayor Pro Tem Quinn acknowledged return to Open Session.

Thereupon, Councilmember Dillingham moved that the Special Session be reconvened, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Griffith; and the question being upon reconvening the Special Session, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell, Gallagher, Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding, Mayor Pro Tem Quinn

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the Special Session was reconvened at 6:24 p.m.

The Mayor said negotiations regarding employees and representatives of employee groups was discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken and no votes were cast.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilmember Kovach moved that the meeting be adjourned, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Griffith; and the question being upon adjournment of the meeting, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell, Gallagher, Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding, Mayor Pro Tem Quinn

NAYES: None

The Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor