



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. VII.Q.
5/19/2015

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Professional Services Agreement with the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, to utilize students and faculty in an examination of multi-modal travel options for Classen Boulevard between Reno Avenue and NW 23rd Street, not to exceed \$10,000, retroactive to January 28, 2015 through June 30, 2015. Ward 6.

Location Classen Boulevard between Reno Avenue and NW 23rd Street.

Purpose The Agreement presented for your consideration provides for the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma's Institute for Quality Communities (OUIQC) to work with the City's Commercial District Revitalization Program and the Urban Land Institute of Oklahoma. The scope of this Agreement is to study the Classen Boulevard area and deliver a report that recommends short and long term strategies to improve the transportation and mobility networks and promote safety, walkability, and bikeability on Classen Boulevard.

Background Since 2012, the City's Commercial District Revitalization Program has partnered with OUIQC on neighborhood-scale revitalization initiatives in commercial areas. Classen Boulevard is a critical transportation route serving as a high traffic corridor for commuters and as a local connector for neighborhood destinations in the study area. The proposed engagement with OUIQC will expose students and local stakeholders to the analysis of this corridor and the process of synthesizing community input, existing conditions, and best practices into recommendations for public policies and improvements.

Cost \$10,000 Not to exceed

Term Retroactive to January 28, 2015 through June 30, 2015

Source of Funds General Fund – General Operations – Planning Urban Redevelopment – Economic Development (001-0001-2400507-52550589)

Review Planning Department

Recommendation: Agreement be approved.