



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. VII.T.
1/3/2017

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Resolution authorizing execution and submittal of the Notice of Establishment to the Federal Railway Administration for the creation of a "Quiet Zone," Project MC-0422, sealed railroad safety corridor, BNSF Railroad, North 16th Street to SE 23rd Street. Wards 6 and 7.

Location Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, North 16th Street to SE 23rd Street

Background This project provided for street, drainage, and safety improvements to selected railway crossing intersections owned by the BNSF Railway Company (BNSF), between SE 23rd Street on the south and North 16th Street on the north. The improvements included permanent closure of five crossings and the necessary improvements to the remaining crossings allowing the Federal Railway Authority (FRA) to designate the area as a "Quiet Zone". This project was funded by TIF, OCMFA, CIP, and private donations.

The Notice of Establishment (NOE) will finalize the intentions of the City to authorize the creation of the "Quiet Zone" and to provide notice to the appropriate organizations according to the regulations outlined by the Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration 49 CFR Parts 222 and 229 regarding the Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings: Final Rule.

Previous Action Amendment No. 2 and Change Order No. 1 approved by Council on August 16, 2016 (Item No. VII.Z.).

Amendment No. 1 approved by Council on June 14, 2016 (Item No. VII.AA.).

Addendums Nos. 1 and 2 ratified and approved, awarding contract to Connelly Paving Company, assigning Midwest Engineering and Testing Corporation as testing laboratory, and approving contract and bonds approved by Council on March 29, 2016 (Item No. VII.G.).

Final Plans and Specifications approved by Council on February 16, 2016 (Item No. VII.G.2.).

Agreement for grade crossing signal installation with the BNSF Railway Company and authorization to execute and submit a Notice of Intent to the Federal Railway Administration for the creation of a “Quiet Zone” approved by Council on March 24, 2015 (Item No. VII.S.).

Assignment and Amendment No. 1 to contract for engineering services approved by OCMFA on December 2, 2014 (Item No. MFA.B.), approved by Council on December 2, 2014 (Item No. VI.V.).

Preliminary Report approved by OCMFA on May 27, 2014 (Item No. MFA.A.).

Resolution for funding plan approved by Council on May 28, 2013 (Item No. X.A.).

Engineer

Cardinal Engineering, Inc.

Source of Funds

Capital Improvement Fund – Streets Improvement Capital -ASGN – Street Appurtenance - 2014 Ward 6 Quite Zone Pkg 4 - Non Capital Construction (039-0177-3305007-MC-0422-52044007)

Capital Improvement Fund, Street Improvement Capital-ASGN – Street Appurtenance - Quite Zone TIF - Non Capital Construction (039-0177-3305007-MC-0422TIF-52044007)

Special Purpose Funds, Railroad Quiet Zone-RSTR - Street Appurtenance - 2014 Ward 6 Quite Zone Pkg 4 –Non Capital Construction (750-1665-3305007-MC-0422-52044007)

Review

Public Works Department

Recommendation: Resolution be adopted.