



## 60<sup>th</sup> Bridge NE – Closure Information & Construction Timeline

### CITY OF NORMAN NORMAN, OKLAHOMA

- *Beginning in October 2020, city staff began meeting with City Council to discuss the need for a Bridge Maintenance Program funding mechanism. A Bridge Maintenance Bond Program was determined to be the preferred method of funding. Following a City Council meeting on January 17, 2023, staff began seeking proposals to assist with campaign research.*
- *In anticipation of a successful bond initiative, and with the intention of streamlining the construction schedule, City Council approved the contract with Garver for the redesign of the 60<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Bridge on October 11, 2022.*
- *On November 28, 2022, staff received an updated inspection report for the 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE Bridge. The inspection report showed accelerated section loss in key structural members of the bridge. On November 29, 2022, staff met with the inspectors to further discuss their findings. Following the meeting, staff contacted Garver and requested they visit the site to perform a peer review inspection. On November 30, 2022, Garver provided their findings and recommend, "...reporting a critical finding (or CX) for the steel pier caps, specifically for the supplementary beam supports on the pier caps where heavy/complete localized section loss and loss of bearing capacity was observed." The Oklahoma Department of Transportation Bridge Field Division Manual states, "For this level of follow up review recommendation (CX)... For off system bridges the repair must be completed within the next 90 days or the bridge must be closed."*
- *On December 1, 2022, the 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE Bridge was closed to traffic.*
- *On October 10, 2023, the citizens of Norman approved the Bridge by Bridge Bond initiative.*
- *On June 27, 2024, City Council awarded contract K-2324-177 with K&R Builders Inc. for the construction of the 60<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Bridge. Major construction is set to begin on August 27, 2024 with pre-construction activities beginning August 20, 2024. Work is scheduled to last 165 days.*

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