

CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 07/11/2023

REQUESTER: Anthony Purinton, Assistant City Attorney

PRESENTER: Anthony Purinton, Assistant City Attorney

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR

POSTPONEMENT OF SPECIAL CLAIM SC-2324-1: SUBMITTED BY WOODSTOCK CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION IN THE AGREED AMOUNT OF \$25,000 FOR DAMAGE TO A PARKING LOT AT 1932 EAST LINDSEY STREET AS A RESULT OF A WATER MAIN BREAK

ON JULY 24, 2022.

BACKGROUND:

A claim was filed by Woodstock Condominium Owners Association for expenses incurred due to a water main break at their property on July 24, 2022, at 1932 East Lindsey Street. Claimants request reimbursement of damage in the amount of \$25,000.

DISCUSSION:

The claim was investigated by the Line Maintenance Manager who determined on the night of July 24, 2022, City division staff received a service call for a water main break at Woodstock Condominiums located at 1932 East Lindsey Street. Shortly thereafter, City staff arrived, turned off water service and began excavation work to gain access to the main which was located under a portion of the concrete parking lot. Once the repair was completed, staff backfilled the resulting excavation hole with gravel, which was estimated to be approximately 2,100 square feet area of the parking lot.

Claimants submitted an estimate totaling \$31,750 in order to repair the concrete that was removed in order to repair the water main. The City of Norman is a political subdivision which processes tort claim according to the Governmental Tort Claims Act. This Act sets a maximum allowable property damage claim of \$25,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the above and foregoing, it is the recommendation of the City Attorney's Office that the claim of Woodstock Condominium Owners Association, in the agreed amount of \$25,000 as set forth above, be approved.