

## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 11/22/2022

**REQUESTER:** Steve Hardeman, Norman Water Reclamation Utilities Manager

**PRESENTER:** Steve Hardeman, Norman Water Reclamation Utilities Manager

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

POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2223-67: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND JASON MASONER FOR LAND APPLICATION DISPOSAL OF NORMAN WATER

RECLAMATION 'S BIO-SOLIDS.

## **BACKGROUND**:

Bio-solids produced as a by-product of wastewater treatment are routinely disposed of by land application on farmland as a soil conditioner. Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) maintains agreements with several individuals for the use of their property near the Water Reclamation Facility. Additional property containing 50 acres has been identified east of Norman for the NUA to use. These additional acres are currently under approval with Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ). Jason Masoner is the landowner, which this contract will allow land application of bio-solids onto his land.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Key Provisions of the Contract are as follows:

- 1 The contract will be with Jason Masoner for 50 acres east of Norman.
- 2 Application of bio-solids will be coordinated with Mr. Masoner and any change of fields will be based on his approval.
- 3 NUA will perform all sampling and monitoring required by Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality.
- 4 NUA will help maintain access roads utilized by application equipment.
- 5 The use of this property for application of bio-solids is considered a beneficial reuse and is the most cost effective means to dispose of our bio-solids.
- 6 No annual user (land rental) fee is required.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the NUA approve Contract K-2223-67 between Mr. Jason Masoner and Norman Utilities Authority to allow for the land application of bio-solids onto his respective farmland.