



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 08/01/2024

**REQUESTER:** Karla Sitton, Administrative Tech IV

**PRESENTER:** Katherine Leidy, Branch Director, Healthy Living Norman

**ITEM TITLE:** ANNUAL PRESENTATION FROM HEALTHY LIVING NORMAN

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### **BACKGROUND:**

In October 2015, Norman citizens passed the NORMAN FORWARD initiative, funding various quality-of-life projects through a one-half percent (½%) sales tax increase over 15 years. The NORMAN FORWARD Initiative permitted a project to construct a new Senior Citizen's Recreation Center. After ongoing community input, the project's scope was expanded into a Senior Wellness Center, later named the Adult Wellness and Education Center (AWE). In 2021, Health Living OKC, LLC was selected as the operator of the AWE, and the AWE opened to the public in November of 2023.

The AWE is on City-owned land on the southeast corner of Norman Regional Health System's (NRHS) Porter Wellness Village, off North Findlay Avenue. The new AWE will include an indoor, heated saltwater pool with lap swimming, water walking, and hydrotherapy seating; an indoor walking track and training space; a fitness classroom area; lounge and game rooms; both wet and dry craft areas; a small prep and demonstration kitchen; and multipurpose rooms that can be used for eating, events, classes, theatrical plays, games, and much more.