R-2526-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND EMERGENCY GRANT FUNDS FROM THE OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD.

- § 1. WHEREAS, American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funds were made available as grant funds being administered by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board ("OWRB"); and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the OWRB ARPA program allocated \$40 million for water/wastewater projects by communities with a population greater than 7,000 or rural water districts with more than 2,300 non-pasture taps; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the OWRB limited funding to no more than \$2 million per applicant and a minimum 50 percent cost share; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the Norman Utilities Authority ("NUA") submitted an application for the grant for six projects in accordance with OWRB requirements; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the application was scored in accordance with OWRB criteria just below the funding line; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, the NUA approved Contract K-2122-15 along with subsequent Amendments 1-3 with Crossland Construction Company, Inc. for the construction of the Line Maintenance Facility (Project WA0329/WW0329) which was completed in December 2023 at a total construction cost of \$8,300,119.63; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, OWRB determined that additional ARPA funding was available and that the Line Maintenance Facility project was eligible for partial reimbursement in the amount of \$2,000,000; and
- § 8. WHEREAS, on May 17, 2025, a failure in a sewer aerial crossing on Bishop Creek near 730 Stinson Avenue was identified; and
- § 9. WHEREAS, the City Manager declared an emergency for staff to take both temporary measures to immediately stabilize the situation with temporary pumping and piping and permanent measures to design and replace the crossing; and
- § 10. WHEREAS, the City Manager approved contract K-2425-120 with Krapff-Reynolds Construction Company, Inc. for the Bishop Creek emergency repair project on June 3, 2025; and
- § 11. WHEREAS, City Manager's actions were later ratified by the NUA on June 10, 2025 pursuant to R-2425-131; and
- § 12. WHEREAS, Resolution R-2526-22 was approved by the NUA authorizing the submittal of an Emergency Grant Funding application for the Bishop Creek emergency sewer project; and

- § 13. WHEREAS, OWRB determined that the Bishop Creek emergency sewer project was eligible for Emergency Grant Funding in the amount of \$100,000; and
- § 14. WHEREAS, OWRB formally awarded the NUA an ARPA grant in the amount of \$2,000,000 and an Emergency Grant in the amount of \$100,000 ("the OWRB Grant Funds") at the OWRB Meeting on September 16, 2025; and
- § 15. WHEREAS, acceptance of the OWRB Grant Funds are in the best interests of the residents of the City of Norman, furthering the health, safety and welfare of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

§ 16. THAT, the OWRB Grants are hereby accepted and are to be allocated to the funds from which the respective projects were completed as defined in the following table:

Grant Award	Account No.	Description	Amount	
ARPA	319-333252	Other Revenue – Federal Grant Reimbursement (Water Fund)	\$1,000,000.00	
ARPA	329-333252	Other Revenue – Federal Grant Reimbursement (Water Reclamation Fund)	\$1,000,000.00	
Emergency Grant	321-331346	Other Revenue – Misc. Grant Reimbursement (Sewer Maintenance Fund)	\$100,000.00	

PASSED AND ADOPTED this	_ day of	, 2025.
		Stephen Tyler Holman, Chairman
ATTEST		
Duanda Hall Connetour		
Brenda Hall, Secretary		