



**CITY OF NORMAN, OK**  
**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE MEETING**  
Municipal Building, Executive Conference Room, 201 West Gray, Norman,  
OK 73069  
Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 5:30 PM

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## **MINUTES**

The City Council Conference of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Council Conference in the Executive Conference Room in the Municipal Building, on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 5:30 PM, and notice of the agenda of the meeting was posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray and on the City website at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Heikkila called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Mayor Larry Heikkila  
Councilmember Ward 1 Austin Ball  
Councilmember Ward 3 Bree Montoya  
Councilmember Ward 4 Helen Grant  
Councilmember Ward 5 Michael Nash  
Councilmember Ward 7 Stephen Holman  
Councilmember Ward 8 Matthew Peacock

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **1. CONTINUED DISCUSSION REGARDING THE LINDSEY STREET WATER TOWER.**

Mr. Chris Mattingly, Director of Utilities, introduced the discussion about the Lindsey tower. He stated bids were opened to paint the tower in combination with the Robinson Street tower, which is already set to be repainted.

Mr. Ken Giannone, Capital Projects Engineer, quickly reviewed information from the Special Session on 3/19/24. There are two options, demolition or resurfacing. The lowest bid for resurfacing the Robinson tower plus demolition of the Lindsey tower is from G&L Sandblasting and Coatings, LLC, for \$816,200. The lowest bid for repainting both towers is from TanKEZ for \$1,202,600. TanKEZ's bid minus Norman Utilities Authority budget of \$816,200.00, leaves \$386,400 in funds that would have to come from another source (General Fund). Removing the lead-based paint is part of the reason for the high cost. Resurfacing could be completed by August 2024, with a lifespan of twenty years, whereas demolition is unlikely before early 2025. Informal conversations with Oklahoma University Staff indicated the painting of logos is unlikely in 2024. The cost of the OU/SEC logos is \$20,000.

Council consensus was to paint the tower white to have a blank canvas to use as a community art piece. They would then reach out to OU again to ask if they would like to

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contribute financially and add their logos. Norman Arts Council and Norman Convention and Visitors Bureau are other potential contributors. If money was taken from the General Fund to cover resurfacing costs, it could be put back if other entities were willing to contribute financially in the future.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Heikkila adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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Mayor