



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 04/04/2023

REQUESTER: Michele Loudenback, Environmental and Sustainability Manager

PRESENTER: Michele Loudenback, Environmental and Sustainability Manager

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2223-122: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AWARDING THE INAUGURAL JAMES O. HARP ENVIRONMENTAL RECOGNITION AWARD, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NORMAN ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD.

BACKGROUND:

The Norman Environmental Control Advisory Board (ECAB) created the James O. Harp Environmental Recognition Award at their November 17, 2021, Board meeting in order to recognize exceptional environmental volunteerism that occurs throughout the City of Norman by Norman residents. During their March 22, 2023, they unanimously chose Amanda Nairn as the recipient of the 2022 James O. Harp Environmental Recognition Award.

DISCUSSION:

Amanda Nairn has been a great resource for her community since her tenure at the Assistant Director for the Little River Zoom (1997-2003). She actively volunteers (and has volunteered) for many Norman civic groups and committees. These activities include serving on ECAB for a decade (2011-2021), most of it as President (2012-2020); serving as Co-Chair of the Stormwater Citizens Committee (2017-2019); serving as Vice-President of the Lake Thunderbird Watershed Alliance (2020-present); and serving as President of Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District (2020-present). Additionally, Ms. Nairn has provided workshops and seminars on environmental topics and is a champion for water quality. Ms. Nairn has gone above and beyond for her community and the environment.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution R-2223-122 and awarding Ms. Nairn the 2022 James O. Harp Environmental Recognition Award.