



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 07/13/2021

REQUESTER: Geri Wellborn

PRESENTER: Geri Wellborn, Utilities Manager

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF AWARDDING, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF BID 2021-55 FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID OXYGEN FROM AIRGAS USA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118.34 PER TON FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

BACKGROUND:

On May 20, 2021, bids were opened for Bid-2021-55 for Liquid oxygen. Funds in the amount of \$1,076,941 have been allocated in the fiscal year 2021-2022 (FYE 2022) Water Fund budget in the Water Treatment Plant - Operating Chemicals account (31955234 - 43108) for purchase of all treatment chemicals.

DISCUSSION:

Specifications were sent to five (5) vendors and two (2) bids were received. The lowest and best bid meeting all specifications was submitted by Airgas USA in the amount of \$118.34 per ton. This compares to a cost of \$91.81 last year, an increase of 28.89 percent.

RECOMMENDATION:

Purchases will be made throughout FYE 2022. Bids have been examined by Staff and found to be in order and proper as to form. Based upon the above information, Staff recommends acceptance of the low bid as listed above.