



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** March 11, 2025

**REQUESTER:** Nathan Madenwald, Utilities Engineer

**PRESENTER:** Nathan Madenwald, Utilities Engineer

**ITEM TITLE:** SUBMISSION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERMIT WL000014240362 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF JAMES GARNER WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (WA0338).

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The Public Works Department is moving forward with the James Garner Avenue Streetscape project which will improve this corridor including new paving and sidewalks from Andrews Park south to Duffy Street. This project is currently under design by Cowan Group Engineering LLC (Cowan Group).

Water lines located within this corridor are over 50 years old and have experienced failures that disrupt water service and also traffic flows for this important street corridor. Replacement of these water lines prior to the surface improvements would ensure good infrastructure and reduce the likelihood that the surface improvements have to be removed and replaced for future water line replacement work. The water line replacement project will replace existing 6, 8, 12, and 16-inch water lines from Main Street to Duffy Street. The portion from Andrews Park south to Main Street was replaced under a previous project. This project includes approximately 3,900 linear feet of water line.

The project is currently advertised for bid with the Public Works project.

### **DISCUSSION:**

As part of the project requirements and per State regulations, a construction permit from the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) is required. The plans and specifications for the project were submitted to the ODEQ on April 29, 2024, and the plans and specifications were approved and Permit No. WL000014240362 was issued on August 2, 2024. As noted on the attached copy of the permit, ODEQ requires that receipt of the permit by Owner be made a matter of permanent record in the City Council's minutes.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the receipt of ODEQ Permit No. WL000014240362, dated August 2, 2024, be noted and made a matter of permanent record in the minutes for the City Council/Norman Utilities Authority.