



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 07/21/2026

REQUESTER: Ken Giannone, Capital Projects Engineer

PRESENTER: Ken Giannone, Capital Projects Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDDING BID-2627-04 AND CONTRACT K-2627-10: BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND TMI COATINGS, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$532,200, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2627-11, STATUTORY BOND B-2627-12, AND MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2627-06 FOR THE LINDSEY TOWER RESURFACING, TWO LOGOS, AND BUDGET TRANSFER AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT (WARD 7)

BACKGROUND:

The Lindsey Tower is an elevated water storage tank at the intersection of E. Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard that was originally built nearly 100 years ago to serve Norman's potable water system. However, as Norman's potable water system expanded over the years, the system also changed and, in 2014, it was determined that Lindsey Tank no longer had the hydraulic characteristics necessary to function as viable potable water storage for Norman's system. However, because of the potential for Lindsey Tower to be used as dedicated storage for a non-potable reuse system and due to desire from stakeholders to keep the structure, demolition was put on hold.

Interest from an external entity to have their logo on the tank, in addition to a desire to preserve the condition of the tank for potential future use, has led to the need to get updated bids for the tower recoating. Prospective bids for Bid 2627-04 for the Lindsey Water Tower Resurfacing were advertised on June 15, 2026, including several alternates.

DISCUSSION:

Bids for this project were opened on July 14, 2026. One bidder, TMI Coatings L.L.C. (TMI) submitted a bid. Based on comparison of their bid to the Engineer's Estimate as well as to recent tank resurfacing projects completed by Norman Utilities Authority, staff considers this bid to be competitive, and thus has deemed TMI to be the lowest and best bidder for the project. TMI's bid price for combined Alternates 1, 2, and 4 through 7 was \$532,200. In combination, these Alternates encompass a 3-coat system on all exterior tank surfaces and two logos, one each on opposite sides of the tank. This will serve to maintain the condition of

the Lindsey Tower for a minimum of ten (10) years for potential future use as dedicated storage for a proposed non-potable reuse system as well as furnish a platform for an external entity to have their logo installed if City of Norman deems it to be in the City's interest.

To fund this project, staff proposes to use \$276,874.04 in funds currently allocated to Lindsey Tower Resurfacing (Project WA0182, Account No. 31993354.46101 Construction). For the remaining funds, staff proposes to transfer \$300,000.00 from the Robinson Tower Resurfacing, (Project WA0382, Account No. 31993354.46101 Construction), which has a current balance of \$703,800.00. Robinson Tower was resurfaced in 2024, and these were funds that remained in the construction account upon completion of that project. Since there are no other immediate needs for water tower resurfacing on any of the City of Norman's other water towers, this transfer should have no impact on any other planned projects.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

Staff recommends awarding Bid-2627-04, Contract K-2627-10 by and between Norman Utilities Authority and TMI Coatings L.L.C. in the amount of \$532,200, Performance Bond B-2627-11, Statutory Bond B-2627-12, and Maintenance Bond MB-2627-O6 for Project WA0182 Lindsey Tower Resurfacing and Two (2) Logos.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:

Staff recommends authorizing budget transfers as outlined in this staff report.