CITY OF NORMAN, OK

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 11/10/2026

REQUESTER: Nathan Madenwald, Utilities Engineer

PRESENTER: Nathan Madenwald, Utilities Engineer

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2627-13 AND CONTRACT K-2627-12: BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND DC WELL SERVICES OF OKLAHOMA, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF $60,957.00; PERFORMANCE BOND B-2627-13; STATUTORY BOND B-2627-14; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2627-7 FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF WELLS 17-20 PROJECT; AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT. (WARD 8)

BACKGROUND:

On March 24, 2026, Contract K-2526-139 was approved by the City of Norman (City) and later signed and returned by the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) on April 7, 2026. As part of the agreement, funding requirements were specified for the City and OTA and City of Norman Wells 17-20 are to be abandoned by the City of Norman by December 31, 2026, in addition to other requirements. Funding obligations have been met by both parties but the well abandonment needs to proceed.

Contract K-2627-13 with Cowan Group Engineering, L.L.C., was approved on June 30, 2026, for engineering services and water rights permitting assistance.

DISCUSSION:

The Invitation to Bid (Bid 2627-13) for the Wells 17-20 Abandonment was published in the Norman Transcript on October 1 and October 8, 2026. The project contained a Base Bid for the abandonment of Wells 17-20. No Alternate Bids were included in this project.

Four contractors submitted bids. The bids ranged from $60,957.00 to $331,286.00. Cowan Group Engineering, L.L.C., determined that DC Well Services of Oklahoma, L.L.C., is the lowest responsible bidder with a bid of $60,957.00. Cowan Group Engineering, L.L.C., and staff recommend award of the bid to DC Well Services of Oklahoma, L.L.C.

To fund the project, an appropriation from the Water Fund Balance in the amount of $100,000 to the OTA WL Relocation construction account is proposed which will provide an available

balance of $100,000 in this account. With this proposed appropriation, there will be funding for this contract work plus additional costs for the building demolition, pump removal, water line capping, and other ancillary work.

Work on this project will commence after Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) approval of the contract and will be completed by December 10, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION 1:

Staff recommends the NUA accept bids meeting project specifications, award Bid 2627-13 to DC Well Services of Oklahoma, L.L.C., for the Wells 17-20 Abandonment in the amount of $60,957.00.

RECOMMENDATION 2:

Staff recommends the NUA approve the associated contract and performance, statutory, and maintenance bonds in the amount of the bid.

RECOMMENDATION 3:

Staff recommends the NUA authorize a budget appropriation in the amount of $100,000.00 from the Water Fund balance (Account 31-29000) to the OTA Water Line Relocation: 48th NW-24th NW project (Account 31997727-46101, Project WA0393 - CONST).