



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 01/14/2025

REQUESTER: City Council

PRESENTER:

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, POSTPONEMENT AND/OR AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-78: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY, THE NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, THE NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND THE NORMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND RICKEY J. KNIGHTON II, SETTING FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT AS CITY ATTORNEY.

BACKGROUND:

Since the adoption of the City of Norman Charter, the City Attorney has been hired, supervised and managed by the City Manager in a protected “for-cause” capacity like other City employees. In August 2022, the voters of Norman approved a Charter amendment that makes the City Attorney an employee of the City Council, serving in an at-will capacity, and hired, supervised, and managed by the City Council. A majority of council has directed that a proposed contract with Rickey J. Knighton II, Interim City Attorney, be brought forward to Council, along with the ordinance setting compensation.

DISCUSSION:

The terms of the contract are consistent with discussions between the City Manager and Mr. Knighton.

RECOMMENDATION:

Contract K-2425-78 is submitted for Council's consideration.