



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** October 13, 2026

**REQUESTER:** Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation

**PRESENTER:** Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDED BID 2627-10 AND CONTRACT K-2627-33: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN AND AMR INDUSTRIAL COATINGS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,173.00; PERFORMANCE BOND B-2627-32; STATUTORY BOND B-2627-33; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2627-16; AND APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT FOR THE LINDSEY WATER TOWER LIGHTING PROJECT. (WARD 7)

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The Lindsey Tower is an elevated water storage tank at the intersection of E. Lindsey Street and Classen Boulevard, 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. In 2014, it was determined that Lindsey Tank no longer had the hydraulic characteristics necessary to function as a 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 stakeholders' desire to keep the structure, demolition was put on hold.

Contract K-2627-10 with TMI Coatings LLC for \$532,200 (expense) was approved on July 21, 2026, for recoating of the Lindsey Water Tower. Additionally, Contract K-22627-26 with Dr. Pepper/Seven Up, Inc., for \$500,000 (revenue), was approved on July 28, 2026, to allow the Dr. Pepper logo to be painted on the tower, along with other conditions.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Invitation to Bid (Bid 2627-10) for the Lindsey Tower Lighting Project was published in the Norman Transcript on August 1 and August 8, 2026. The project contained a Base Bid for lighting of the tower and several alternate (additive) bids.

Two (2) contractors submitted bids. The base bids ranged from \$137,173.00 to \$654,000, with AMR Industrial Coatings, L.L.C., being the lowest responsible bidder. Only Additive Bid #3 was selected for award and did not affect the lowest responsible bidder. Windforce Engineering and Inspection is the Engineer of Record for the project and recommends awarding the contract to AMR Industrial Coatings, Inc.

The Parks Department will operate and maintain the water tower as a special-use park once the work is completed and the tower is open to the public. The Parks department is requesting \$50,000 for landscaping and signage of the future park.

Parks Department Staff recommends that funding for both the Tower Lighting Project and the Tower Park landscaping be split between the Capital Fund Balance (account 50-29000) (\$100,000) and Guest Room Tax (account 23-29000) (\$100,173) in the amount of \$100,173 to Lindsey Water Tower Lighting/Park Project (Project TR0128, account 50798813-46101 Construction).

**RECOMMENDATION 1:**

Staff recommends that the NUA accept bids that meet project specifications and award Bid 2627-10 to AMR Industrial Coatings, Inc., for the Lindsey Tower Lighting Project in the amount of \$150,173.00.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION 3:**

Staff also recommends that Council appropriate funding for the Lindsey Tower Lighting Project (WA0182) and Park Landscaping Project as outlined in the staff report.