



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 10/11/2022

**REQUESTER:** Darrel Pyle, City Manager

**PRESENTER:** Elisabeth Muckala, Asst. City Attorney

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2223-55: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, DIRECTING STAFF TO TERMINATE CONTRACT K-2223-34, A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR \$2,450,000 RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1210 WEST ROBINSON STREET PURSUANT TO ITS TERMS.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

In the July 2021 City Council Retreat, the Council programmed authorized uses for approximately \$22,400,000 in American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funds. Among these programmed uses was a planned allocation of \$4,500,000 to expand affordable housing options in the City of Norman. Approximately \$1,900,000 was programmed to be allocated for the renovation of the 718 North Porter building (to be acquired from the Norman Regional Health System).

In response to Council's prioritization of affordable housing, City Staff has identified 1210 W. Robinson as a potential property that could be renovated to provide affordable housing. The building at 1210 W. Robinson has previously been operated as a nursing home, but has been vacant and on the market for a number of years. In the spring of 2022, City Staff began exploring the property's potential, leading to City Council holding an executive session on July 12, 2022 to discuss the property. On August 23, 2022, the City Council approved Contract K-2223-34 in order for City Staff to proceed with due diligence efforts and to enable the City's continued consideration of this property as a possible purchase for a purchase price of \$2,450,000.00. With the approval of K-2223-34, the City Council also directed City Manager Darrel Pyle to perform all acts necessary to fulfilling the contract terms.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Since Contract K-2223-34 was approved, City Staff has engaged in considerable due diligence efforts with respect to the property at 1210 W. Robinson. The City of Norman has continued to evaluate and consider the suitability of the purchase of this property. Having been informed of due diligence efforts, and following due consideration of the suitability of the property, the City

Council is now prepared to make a determination regarding whether to further pursue the purchase contemplated by Contract K-2223-34.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City Staff hereby presents Resolution R-2223-55 for consideration by City Council. If approved, Resolution R-2223-55 would direct City Staff to effectuate a termination of Contract K-2223-34 pursuant to its terms.