

**RESOLUTION OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY WATER UTILITIES TRUST RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE GENERAL MANAGER IN DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING, AND ISSUING EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER NO. 01182024SMK09; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS FOR SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT UNTIL THE EMERGENCY IS RESOLVED, ESTIMATED COST \$75,000.**

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust (OCWUT) leases and finances The City of Oklahoma City (City) wastewater systems, which provide wastewater collection and treatment for Oklahoma City and the greater Oklahoma City area; and

**WHEREAS**, during routine inspection of a creek crossing and lift station, a Utilities Line Maintenance crew identified a City of Oklahoma City (City) sanitary sewer manhole overflowing approximately one quarter mile north of NW 206th Street and one quarter mile west of North Portland Avenue on January 18, 2024, resulting in an imminent public health, safety, and welfare emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, during the assessment, it was determined that the cause of the City manhole overflow was the Villagio Lift Station (Lift Station), which is a privately owned asset located at 4201 Northwest 206th Street, Edmond, Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS**, the owner/developer of the Lift Station was immediately contacted but did not have the capability to immediately respond or remediate the Lift Station mechanical failure that was causing the City manhole to overflow; and

**WHEREAS**, the sanitary sewer lines and manholes going to the Lift Station are part of the City's wastewater system, and the line from the Lift Station is part of the City's wastewater system but the Lift Station is privately operated; and

**WHEREAS**, rental equipment and services for the Lift Station were immediately necessary for the bypass pumping and to stop the sanitary sewer overflow; and

**WHEREAS**, there were no existing on-call contracts for the equipment and services needed to address this emergency; therefore, emergency purchase orders were issued; and

**WHEREAS**, Utilities Lift Station crews set up a bypass pump which stopped the manhole from overflowing and prevented additional environmental impact and public health concerns; and

**WHEREAS,** The owner/developer was updated as to the status and solutions and Utilities Wastewater Quality continues to work with the owner/developer on repairing the nonoperational pumps; and

**WHEREAS,** Utilities Line Maintenance and Utilities Wastewater Quality completed all required reporting to the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality; and

**WHEREAS,** the General Manager of OCWUT is authorized to declare emergencies and immediately act to address public health, safety, and welfare.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby ratify the actions of the General Manager in declaring an emergency; waiving competitive bidding, and issuing emergency Purchase Order No. 01182024SMK09; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize payments for services and equipment until the emergency is resolved, estimated cost \$75,000.00.

**ADOPTED** by the Trustees and signed by the Chairman of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust this 26TH day of MARCH, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**OKLAHOMA CITY WATER UTILITIES TRUST**

ASST. SECRETARY

*Theresa Graham*



CHAIRMAN

*John D. Couch*

**CONCURRED** by the Council and signed by the Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City this 9TH day of APRIL, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY**

CITY CLERK

*Amy K. Simpson*



MAYOR

*David Holt*

**REVIEWED** for form and legality.

ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL COUNSELOR

*Patricia Mann*