



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX. CC  
8/15/2023

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Agricultural Use Agreement with James Eaton, for a hay harvest east of Kitchen Lake Park, 5501 SE 119th Street, revenue of \$200. Ward 4.

### **Location:**

East of Kitchen Lake Park, 5501 SE 119th Street

### **Background:**

The City of Oklahoma City ("City") owns, and the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust ("OCWUT") leases and finances, the Oklahoma City water system. OCWUT property includes Kitchen Lake Park and surrounding land, located at 5501 Southeast 119th Street ("Site").

On October 9, 2012, the City and OCWUT entered into a Lake Reservation Lease ("Lease"). Under that Lease, the City's Parks and Recreation Department uses the Site, and surrounding City property, to support recreational opportunities for Oklahoma City residents.

James Eaton ("Permittee") leases OCWUT property near the Site for agricultural purposes. For a number of years, the City has entered into annual Agricultural Use Agreements ("Agreements") allowing Permittee to cut and bale hay at the Site for personal use on his adjacent leasehold. This benefits the City by lowering maintenance costs and reducing fire danger from overgrowth at the Site.

Under this Agreement, Permittee may harvest and keep one cut of hay from the Site. As consideration, Permittee will pay the City \$200.

All activities under this Agreement will be at Permittee's expense. Upon approval by the City, the Agreement will be retroactively effective from January 1, 2023, through December 31 2023, or until the day after Permittee completes the hay harvest, whichever is first. The City may terminate this Agreement upon written notice to Permittee.

Permittee must indemnify the City and OCWUT; protect City and OCWUT property; and comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Permittee and his relatives working at the Site must provide signed releases.

### **Revenue:**

\$200 to be deposited in the General Fund – General Operations – Parks – Facility Leases – Agreements (001 – 0001 – 42050019)

**Review:**

Parks and Recreation

**Recommendation:** Agreement be approved.