

**RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE GENERAL MANAGER IN SUBMITTING THE FIRST STEP OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS, AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUILDING RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM SOLICITATION, SEEKING GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,375,000 FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR THE OVERHOLSER DAM STRUCTURAL STABILITY IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT WM-0309; AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ADMINISTER THE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS; AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD; AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ADMINISTER NECESSARY ACCOUNTS FOR GRANT EXPENDITURES, DEPOSITS, AND REIMBURSEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE REQUIRED REPORTS TO ADMINISTER THE GRANT; AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE GRANT AGREEMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has published notification that under the federal fiscal year 2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program there will be approximately \$750,000,000 in grant funds available to distribute to State Agencies, Local Governments, Tribal Governments, and National Competition for Hazard Mitigation activities that are designed to increase resilience and public safety; reduce injuries and loss of life; reduce damage and destruction to property, critical services, facilities, and infrastructure from a multitude of natural hazards, including drought, wildlife, earthquakes, extreme heat, and the effects of climate change; and

**WHEREAS**, under each grant program, an individual applicant is eligible to receive up to \$50,000,000 in federal funds for a project; and

**WHEREAS**, in Oklahoma, the grant will be administered by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management, who has published that there are building resilient infrastructure activities that will be funded under the grant program, with federal funding covering 75 percent of the total costs of the approved and awarded projects under each grant program up to a maximum of \$50,000,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust (OCWUT) has identified the Overholser Dam Structural Stability Improvements, Project WM-0309, that may be eligible to receive grant funding under the program; and

**WHEREAS**, staff determined it would be in OCWUT's best interest to submit an application under the grant program for the stabilization improvement of the Overholser Dam, WM-0309, which costs are estimated at \$56,500,000, to receive grant funding of up to 75 percent, in the amount of \$42,375,000.

**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 submitting the first step of the application process, and authorize the General Manager or designee to submit the grant application to the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management under the fiscal year 2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities program solicitation, seeking grant funding in the amount of \$42,375,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Overholser Dam Structural Stability Improvements, Project WM-0309.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize the General Manager or designee to administer the grant application process.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize the General Manager or designee to accept the grant award.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize the General Manager or designee to administer necessary accounts for grant expenditures, deposits, and reimbursements.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize the General Manager or designee to provide required reports to administer the grant.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Trustees of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust that they do hereby authorize the General Manager or designee to execute any documents associated with the grant agreement.

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**ADOPTED** by the Trustees and signed by the signed by the Chairman of the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust this 11TH day of MARCH, 2025.

ATTEST:

OKLAHOMA CITY WATER UTILITIES TRUST

*Amy K. Simpson*  
SECRETARY



*J. D. Couch*  
CHAIRMAN

**CONCURED** by the Council and signed by the Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City this 25TH day of MARCH, 2025.

ATTEST:

THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

*Amy K. Simpson*  
CITY CLERK



*David Holt*  
MAYOR

Reviewed for form and legality.

*Frank Mason*  
ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL COUNSELOR