



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. X. O
11/19/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Concurrence with the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust in adopting a Resolution authorizing the General Manager or Designee to execute American Rescue Plan Act grant agreement from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for North Canadian Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements; 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 establishing the grant agreement.

Background:

Oklahoma Senate Bill 429 authorized the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant program by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) for the U.S. Treasury's Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Final Rule. The Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust (OCWUT) is an eligible applicant according to Subchapter 15, Water and Wastewater ARPA Program Requirements and Procedures.

On October 25, 2022, OCWUT adopted a Resolution authorizing the General Manager or Designee(s) to submit an ARPA grant application for the North Canadian Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project. On August 20, 2024, OWRB approved the ARPA grant application in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00. To receive the grant funds, OCWUT is required to accept and execute the grant agreement. To comply with the terms of the grant, staff recommends authorizing the General Manager or Designee(s) to administer the terms of the grant by establishing accounts, providing necessary documents, and executing additional documents associated with establishing the grant agreement.

Review:

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Recommendation: Concur with the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust in adopting the Resolution.