

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY STATING THE INTENT TO ATTAIN AND MAINTAIN AN EXEMPTION OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR WATER MAINS TWELVE-INCHES OR LESS IN DIAMETER AND THE INTENT TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EXEMPTION.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the City of Norman (“City of Norman”) owns and operates and the Norman Utilities Authority leases and finances a municipality owned water system (“Norman water system”); and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the rules and regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”) require that a construction permit be obtained for all water mains and facilities; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the DEQ has established an exemption to the construction permit requirement for water mains up to twelve inches in diameter, whenever the municipality or trust meets certain requirements; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, construction permitting at the local level would expedite review of plans and specifications for water distribution mains twelve inches or less in diameter; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the City of Norman currently has and maintains adequate engineering and inspection staff to ensure compliance with City of Norman and DEQ requirements; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, the Development Review Process Improvement Workshop, held in August 2019 and led by Management Partners, included City of Norman staff and public entities and recommended the City of Norman obtain this exemption to expedite development and the authorization to construct public water mains; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, attaining and maintaining this local exemption would benefit DEQ, the City of Norman, the Norman Utilities Authority, developers, contractors, engineers, water customers, and the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

That staff attain the local exemption for water distribution mains twelve inches or less in diameters; and that all copies of plans and specifications, lists of projects, and reports required in support thereof shall be provided timely to the DEQ; and



§ 9. That the City of Norman has and intends to retain sufficient, competent, full-time staff engineers to attain and maintain the local exemption for water distribution mains twelve inches or less in diameter; and has and intends to retain sufficient inspection and enforcement staff to adequately ensure compliance with City of Norman requirements and DEQ rules and regulations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Mayor City of Norman  
Chairman Norman Utilities Authority

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Secretary