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File ID: R-1617-77 Type: Resolution Status: Consent Item Version: 1 Reference: Item 24 In Control: City Council **Department:** Finance Department Cost: File Created: 01/12/2017 File Name: SRF Loan from OK Water Resources Board City **Final Action:** Title: RESOLUTION R-1617-77: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA (THE "CITY") APPROVING ACTION TAKEN BY THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY "AUTHORITY") AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE. SALE AND **DELIVERY** DRINKING WATER SRF **PROMISSORY** NOTE THE AUTHORITY OF WATER **RESOURCES** BOARD: **RATIFYING** AND CONFIRMING AMENDED LEASE AGREEMENT WHEREBY THE CITY LEASES ITS WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS TO THE AUTHORITY; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO. Notes: ACTION NEEDED: Motion to adopt or reject Resolution R-1617-77. ACTION TAKEN: _____ Agenda Date: 01/24/2017 Agenda Number: 24 Attachments: 06 City Resolution DW (01-24-17) Project Manager: Anthony Francisco, Finance Director Entered by: ellen.usry@normanok.gov **Effective Date: History of Legislative File**

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BACKGROUND: The Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB), acting as the agent of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Oklahoma legislature, has administered a Statewide Water Development Revolving Fund loan program (SRF) for many years. These programs provide financial assistance for municipalities to make infrastructural improvements to their water and water reclamation (formerly sewer or wastewater) systems to comply with federal and state drinking water and pollution control standards. The Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) has participated on several occasions in the Oklahoma Water Resources Board's Statewide Revolving Fund loan program and has benefitted from the lower interest rates and favorable terms in the program.

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<u>DISCUSSION</u>: On March 22, 2016, the Norman Utilities Authority approved an application to the OWRB for an SRF loan in an amount not to exceed \$31,000,000 to provide funding to the Norman Water Treatment Facility (Resolution 1516-98). The OWRB approved this SRF loan at its January 17, 2017 meeting.

The Trustees have discussed the "Phase II" improvements to the Water Treatment Facility in numerous public meetings. Once complete, the treatment processes of the Plant and the quality of water will be much improved for all customers of the Water Utility.

The attached Resolutions would give final authority to the NUA Chair and General Manager to finalize the SRF loan process. Resolution R-1617-76 is a proposed action of the Norman Utilities Authority to transact the loan and pledging the revenue of the City's water and wastewater utilities to the repayment of the SRF loan. Resolution R-1617-77 is an action of the City Council, authorizing the indebtedness of the NUA and renewing the lease of the City's water system to the NUA.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Resolutions be adopted.