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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SUBMIT A WATERSMART COOPERATIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PHASE I GRANT APPLICATION TO THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

- § 1. WHEREAS, the United States Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) has a funding program entitled "WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program which provides funding to watershed groups to encourage diverse stakeholders to form local solutions to address their water management needs; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, Lake Thunderbird was constructed by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in 1965 to impound the upper reaches of Little River and several tributaries east of Norman, Oklahoma north of State Highway 9; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the Lake provides drinking water for the cities of Norman, Midwest City, and Del City and also provides a myriad of recreational opportunities for citizens of Norman and of the State of Oklahoma as a warm water aquatic community affording quality fishing for a variety of species and as a primary body contact water body providing recreational boating and water sports activities; and
- § 4. WHERAS, in August 2010, the Environmental Protection Agency placed Lake Thunderbird on its 303(d) List of Impaired Waterbodies, which led to the establishment of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) by ODEQ in November of 2013; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the City of Norman and other groups are significantly affected by the water quality within the Lake Thunderbird watershed; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, the City of Norman wishes to apply for Cooperative Watershed Management Program Phase I funds to cover the costs of establishing a new watershed group by the deadline of November 13, 2019; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, the BOR has directed applicants to include in the application an official resolution adopted by the applicant's board of directors or governing body verifying 1) the identity of the official with legal authority to enter into an agreement; 2) the board of directors, governing body, or appropriate official who has reviewed and supports the application submitted; 3) the capability of the applicant to provide the amount of funding and/or in-kind contributions specified in the funding plan; and 4) that the applicant will work with the BOR to meet established deadlines for entering into a grant or cooperative agreement.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 8. That, the City of Norman hereby finds that it is in the City of Norman's and public's interest in health, safety and welfare of the community to file the Financial Assistance Application with the BOR to seek funds made available under Cooperative Watershed Management Program
- § 9. That, the City of Norman understands and supports the application that will be submitted and finds:
 - (a) The City of Norman has legal authority to enter into an agreement with BOR to receive a grant; and
 - (b) The City of Norman will provide in-kind contributions as specified in the funding plan; and
 - (c) The City of Norman is willing to work with BOR to meet established deadlines for entering into a grant or cooperative agreement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this	day of	, 2019.
ATTEST:	Mayor	
City Clerk		