



## Legislation Text

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**SPECIAL CLAIM SC-1920-10:** SUBMITTED BY RJH REALTY INVESTMENTS INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,208.16 FOR EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF A WATER MAIN BREAK AT 1316, 1318 AND 1320 GLEN OAKS DRIVE.

**BACKGROUND:** A claim was filed by RJH Realty Investments, Inc., in the amount of \$2,208.16, for plumbing expenses and property damage that occurred due to a water main break.

**DISCUSSION:** This incident was investigated by David Hager, Utilities Manager, who found on March 22, 2019, City staff received a dispatch from Norman Police about a water main break at Glen Oaks Drive. Upon arrival, staff found the water main had ruptured and that a continuous pressurized flow of water had inundated the apartment building addressed 1316 through 1320 Glen Oaks Drive. Within the hour of the call, staff isolated and eliminated the flow of water from the ruptured water main. The eight-inch ductile iron water main was found to have deteriorated and was subsequently repaired.

A representative of RJH Realty Investments Inc. provided expenses totaling \$2,208.16 that were incurred to restore and repair the interior of their properties. As indicated above, there appears to be possible negligence on the part of the City in this matter and consequently potential liability on the City. RJH Realty's claim in the amount of \$2,208.16 appears reasonable.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Based upon the above and foregoing, it is the recommendation of the City Attorney's Office that the claim of RJH Realty Investments Inc., in the amount of \$2,208.16 as set forth above, be approved.