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CDBG-R Amount	\$229,233
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1. *Description of Activities to be undertaken with CDBG-R funds:*

The City of Norman will use City employees to relocate a portion of a water line, and will bid to private contractors the reconstruction of Eufaula Street from Carter Avenue to Reed Avenue including the addition of curbs & gutters and driveway approaches.

2. *Description of how the use of CDBF-R funds for the activities will maximize job creation and economic benefit in relation to the CDBG-R funds obligated, and will address the Recovery Act by: preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; assisting those most impacted by the recession; providing*

investment needed to increase economic efficiency; investing in transportation, environmental protection or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits; or fostering energy independence.

The City of Norman selected an already identified infrastructure need in the Original Townsite neighborhood that is in census tract 2002, block group 3, which has 69.7% low/moderate income persons. The residents of this area have been impacted by the recession and the proposed projects will augment the CDBG projects that have been completed under the CDBG program.

Although City crews will relocate a short portion of water line, outside contractors will complete the primary construction of the proposed activities. This trade has been hit hard by the economic recession and resulting decline in new construction and reconstruction projects. An estimated eight full-time and no part-time jobs will be created or retained by the CDBG-R activities.

3. *Briefly describe how the grantee followed its citizen participation plan regarding this proposed substantial amendment (limit 250 words).*

The infrastructure subcommittee of the Community Development Policy Committee reviewed and discussed potential projects, and recommended approval of the project submitted. Subsequently on March 4, 2009 the Community Development Policy Committee unanimously recommended approval of the project. A notice in the Norman Transcript was published on May 15, 2009. A public hearing will be held before City Council on May 26, 2009. The public comment period ends on May 22, 2009.