

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## **Resolution # 03-1203-412**

Contract for Land Use Plan

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a)(4) to provide for the manner of making, holding and revoking assignments of the Little River Band's land or interest therein; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is authorized under Article V, Section 5 (a) (8) to manage the economic affairs, enterprises, properties (both real and personal) and other interests of the Tribe, consistent with ordinances and resolutions enacted by the Tribal Council;
- WHEREAS, the Tribe currently needs a Plan to address anticipated growth, protection of culturally sensitive areas, the need for housing, business and retail development, compatibility with surrounding communities;
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has requested that the Planning Department proceed with the creation of a Land Use Plan;

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WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to contract with Gosling Czubak to assist in Creating a Land Use Plan for the Little River Band;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Authorize execution of a professional service agreement with Gosling Czubak for creation of the Land Use Plan. In authorizing execution of this agreement, the Tribe agrees to indemnify the Consultant in accordance with the terms of the agreement; provided that the Tribe's agreement to indemnify Consultant shall not constitute nor be construed as a waiver of the Tribe's sovereign immunity.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>5</u> FOR, <u>0</u> AGAINST, <u>1</u> ABSTAINING, and <u>3</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 3, 2003, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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