

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-0114-20

Authorizing the Tribal Ogema to Execute an Amendment to the Consulting Agreement with The Innovation Group

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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 Tribe owns and operates the Little River Casino Resort ("Resort") and wishes to expand non-gaming amenities at the Resort. In order to do this, a feasibility study for potential ancillary entertainment development must be prepared by a qualified consulting firm; and
- WHEREAS, The Innovation Group (IG) was chosen to perform the analysis and an Agreement was signed by the Ogema with IG; and
- WHEREAS, due to a change in circumstances in the competitive environment, that did not exist at the time the Agreement was signed, an amendment to the Agreement is necessary; and
- WHEREAS, the change in the scope of work will cost an additional \$12,000.00; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 (a)(4) and Article V, Section 5(a)(3) and (8) of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Ogema is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations and manage the economic affairs/enterprises of the Tribe, in a manner consistent with the Tribal Constitution and resolutions of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the Amended Consulting Agreement with The Innovation Group.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with _7_FOR, _0_AGAINST, _0_ABSTAINING, and _2_ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on January 14, 2004, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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