



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 04-1201-482

*Authorizing Contract with American Appraisal Associates to provide Fixed Asset
Inventory services to LRBOI*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (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 Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; 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 Chief Financial Officer previously has prepared a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Fixed Asset & Inventory Services, to solicit quotes from qualified companies; and

WHEREAS, a total of four responses were received to the RFP from four (4) firms qualified to provide inventory and asset management services as defined; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer and the Property Officer have reviewed all proposals and determined that American Appraisal Associates can provide the needed services at the best value to the Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema has determined that, given the Tribal government's need to be GASB 34 Compliant prior to completing the financial records for the fiscal year of 2003 and that American Appraisal Associates has extensive experience


providing appropriate inventory and asset management services for Tribal governments.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the Tribal Ogema to enter into a contract with American Appraisal Associates for asset management services.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council authorizes a limited waiver of sovereign immunity under authority delegated in Article XI, Section 1, for the purposes of enforcement of the above contract through arbitration and enforcement of such arbitration awards in Tribal Court as outlined in the Arbitration Agreement, Attachment A to the contract.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 1, 2004, at the Little River Band's Dome Room 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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Tribal Court