

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #16-0127-027

Authorizing the Operation Transfer of \$75,000.00 to Fund Costs Associated with Investing in a Sewer Line Expansion of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Waste Water Treatment Plant Enterprise and Approving Additional Project Budget for the Expansion

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (i)(2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to invest such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has approved an agreement with the City of Manistee and Manistee Township to provide Waste Water Treatment Services which requires an expansion of sewer lines to accept the waste; and
- WHEREAS, the investment of funds in the Waste Water Treatment Enterprise will be recovered through monthly billings of customers located in Manistee Township who are currently receiving services from the City of Manistee; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the plans for the expansion and assigned the responsibility and oversight of the project to the Construction Task Force;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves an operating transfer and investment of funds to Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in the amount of \$75,000.00 to be utilized for construction of a sewer line expansion.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Construction Task Force shall manage the funds transferred for the Budget for the expansion of sewer lines into Manistee Township.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT at the conclusion of the sewer line expansion any funds not utilized shall be transferred back to the general fund.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 9 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on January 27, 2016 at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

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