

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council

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## Resolution #17-0301-091

Approving Tribal Ogema to Execute the Amendment to extend the Service Agreement for CY2017 with Cambridge Research Consultants

- 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 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 Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on July 11, 2016 which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on August 24, 2016; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized by Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized by Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by the Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Triba with political subdivisions or private parties on all matters within the authority of the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the executive powers of the Tribe are vested in the Tribal Ogema according to Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema is authorized to consult, negotiate and execute agreements and contracts on behalf of the Tribe with governments, political subdivisions and private parties, subject to authorization and ratification by Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Ogema by and through the Tribe's Department of Commerce and the Unified Legal Department has negotiated an extension to the previous agreement for calendar year 2017 with no additional funds requested; and

WHEREAS, the Contract approved by Resolution #16-0427-125 was not to exceed \$159,622.00 and only \$69,164.50 was expended in calendar year 2016 with the project not yet finished.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves the Tribal Ogema's execution of Amendment that extends the Service Agreement with Cambridge Research Consultants for the calendar year 2017.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 0 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 1, 2017 at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Joseph Riley II, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

cc:

Council Records
Tribal Ogema
Unified Legal Department