



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Tribal Council
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Resolution #17-0719-247

Creating the Budget Advisory Panel to Evaluate the Financial Impact of Proposed Government Actions and Appointing Members to the Panel

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 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 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 has determined that certain changes in Tribal Law have financial impacts on the Tribal Government Administration and that those changes should be measured by a panel of experts and presented to Tribal Council for consideration.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council establishes the Budget Advisory Panel (the "Panel") for a period of one year. The Panel shall meet to determine what metrics will be used to measure the impact of a proposed measure and present the suggested metrics to Tribal Council at a work session open to public comment. At the end of the Panel's first year, Tribal Council will evaluate the effectiveness and value of the Panel's work.


IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council will send selected changes in Tribal Government Ordinances, Regulations, and Programs to the Budget Advisory Panel in order to receive feedback on the financial impact of the changes.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Tribal Council appoints the following employee positions and government officials as members to the Budget Advisory Panel:

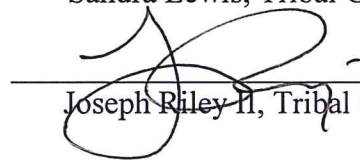
Chief Financial Officer; Budget Coordinator; Comptroller; Two (2) Tribal Councilors; and a Financial Analyst from the Little River Casino Resort.

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 Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on July 19, 2017 at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council Recorder



Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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