

## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## **Resolution #25-0423-096**

## Ratification of CASG LLC Contract

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi 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 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 is vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(b), to ratify contracts to be entered into by the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal Council has received an offer and communication from a consultant to help raise funds and facilitate development on the property located in Muskegon, Michigan; and whereas the consultant has communicated the plan to Tribal Council and received positive feedback, the Tribal Council hereby approves working exclusively with the consultant to identify a partner(s) to develop the property in the most profitable and beneficial manner for the tribal members. It is understood that the consultant will receive an agreement or Memorandum of Understanding directing consultant to proceed and manage the process and bring the final plan back to Tribal Council for final approval. Consultant will not be compensated by the Tribal Council, and the development will not cost the tribe any further

investment, with the development partner bearing responsibility for all expenses related to such development moving forward in Muskegon; and

WHEREAS, nothing in this Contract shall be construed to be a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians or any of its subordinate enterprises or entities; and

WHEREAS, Venue for any dispute arising out of this Contract shall be the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Court. This Contract, and any disputes arising out of this Contract, shall be governed by the laws of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 3 ABSENT, at a Regular 2<sup>nd</sup> Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on April 23, 2025, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Pam Johnson, Tribal Council Recorder

Tammy Burmeister, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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