



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
2608 Government Center Drive
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Resolution #15-0121-012

*Approving Renovations to the Little River Casino Resort
and Related Expenditures not to Exceed \$18,000,000.00*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing 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) of the Constitution 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 empowered by Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Constitution to establish laws through the enactment of ordinances and adoption of resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is empowered by Article IV, Section 7(f) of the Constitution of the Tribe to create subordinate organizations and to delegate to such organizations the power to manage the enterprises of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the Gaming Enterprise(s) Board of Directors Act of 2010, Ordinance #10-800-03, by Tribal Council Resolution on August 25, 2010, which Ordinance became effective on September 24, 2010, which has been amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 8.04 of the Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors Act requires that the Board of Directors shall act only by Resolution when: (1)

approving contracts and agreements; (2) approving Collective Bargaining Agreements; (3) authorizing a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the Gaming Enterprise in accordance with Article X of the Ordinance; and (4) when authorizing expenditures in accordance with Section 9.03 of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been presented with a plan for renovations to the Little River Resort and a request for approval to expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$18,000,000.00 for renovations to the Resort.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby approves the renovation plan and authorizes the Resort under the oversight of the Board of Directors to negotiate loan contracts, construction contracts and any other needed contracts related to the renovation.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council approves expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$18,000,000.00 for renovations approved by the Tribal Council.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors shall submit contracts directly related to the renovation to Tribal Council for final approval prior to execution by the General Manager.


CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 0 ABSENT, at a Regular Open Session Meeting held on January 21, 2015, at the Little River Band's Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Sandra Mezeske, Tribal Council Recorder

Attest:



Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

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