

Community Development Planning Committee

Quarterly Report for FY19 2nd Quarter
January, February, March 2019



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Purpose

To ensure that the Land Use Plan, Comprehensive Plan, Vision Oneida Plan, Housing Plan, all economic development efforts and land use recommendations are working in coordination with each other to improve the Oneida Tribal community and operations.

Meetings

The CDPC meets every 1st Thursday of the month at 9 a.m. in the Business Committee Conference Room at the Norbert Hill Center.

Activities Summary

For the 2nd quarter of FY19, three regular CDPC meetings were held in January, February, and March. Two CDPC work sessions were also held, one in January and one February.

Highlights

200 Year Celebration

A team has begun reporting to the CDPC on their progress for the 200-year celebration scheduled for 2023. The team will be submitting a charter to the CDPC for approval. For the remainder of this year the team will be focusing on creating a communication plan that involves community input.

Both the Cultural Heritage Site improvements and the 200-year celebration fall in line with the broad goals of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT[^]* (We have everything here to sustain us).

Industrial Hemp

A cross-functional Industrial Hemp team presented an implementation plan report to the CDPC in March. Sub-teams are working on product, outreach, research, and processing. Components of the implementation plan include summaries and next steps for permits, partnerships, planting, harvesting, processing, and testing.

In March, a draft hemp resolution was discussed and referred to the next BC Work session.

An industrial hemp pilot project falls in line with the broad goal of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us).

Oneida Wellness Initiative

The initial request for this project was to provide a centrally located multi-purpose health, fitness, and recreation complex to support the recreational needs of the Oneida Community. Through a series of discussions, the CDPC determined the focus should first be on whether or not current facilities and programs could meet the needs of the community or if a physical new complex is needed. This quarter, the BC approved the concept paper that was previously reviewed and approved by the CDPC.

The community outreach on the project falls in line with the broad goal of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and the overall project is in line with the broad goals of *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us) and *Inspiring Yukwatsistay^a* (Our fire, our spirit within each of us).

Food Innovation Center

Through a grant, a feasibility study done on what a food center and food hub could look like for Oneida. A Food Innovation Center is an expanded facility to teach how to process and prepare healthy and native food and would serve Oneida Nation members, fresh food producers, entrepreneurs, and those looking for jobs in the food service industry. A presentation on the completed feasibility study was given to the CDPC in January. In March, the CDPC approved the Food Innovation Center as a concept and deferred to a BC Work Session for further discussion.

A centralized food center falls in line with *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us).

Energy Team

Last quarter, the CDPC supported a climate change resolution brought forward by the Energy Team. The resolution titled “Oneida Nation, Recognizing Climate Change as a long-term threat to Our Core Values” supports/adopts the Paris agreement, supports the creation of an Oneida Climate Change Team to develop a strategic climate plan, and supports the adoption of policies to achieve the strategic energy and climate plans. This resolution was adopted by the Business Committee on January 9, 2019.

The CDPC also reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding for carbon credits with the National Indian Carbon Coalition (NICC). The Business Committee approved the MOU on March 27, 2019.

Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds

The C&EDD has been providing an update to the CDPC every other month on the balance, expended funds, and obligated funds in the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds account.

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Reporting Schedule

- **Monthly:** Energy Team, Small Housing, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Upper Oneida, Food Innovation Center, and 200 Year Celebration
- **Bi-Monthly:** (January, March, May, July, September, November) Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds
- **Quarterly:** (February, May, August, November) Cultural Heritage Site Plan and Capital Improvement Projects Status