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## BC Resolution # 06-09-21-A

#### Approval of Use of Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund for Transfer of \$2.4 Million to the Oneida Land Commission

- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund was created by resolutions # BC-09-28-16-B, BC-07-12-17-A, and BC-01-23-19-D and the procedures for use of the fund set forth in resolution # BC-12-12-18-B and BC-01-23-19-C, Updating and Clarifying Access to the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund As Amended; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Land Commission is responsible for evaluating and deciding on the acquisition of land on behalf of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS, upon request from the Oneida Land Commission and the Oneida Business Committee staff presented recommendations for use of the remaining approximate \$2.4 million in land acquisition funds deriving from the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund budgeted for fiscal year 2021, which include funding to support the implementation of the Homeownership by Independent Purchase (HIP) and Tribal Housing Reacquisition of Individual Fee and Trust Title (THRIFTT) programs, acquiring a landlocked parcel, and for repairs and improvements needed to get the current residential sale inventory ready for sale and to support demolition of buildings determined to be uninhabitable; and
- **WHEREAS,** the recommendation from staff were supported by the Oneida Land Commission at the April 26, 2021 Oneida Land Commission meeting; and
- **WHEREAS,** the funding for land acquisition for Fiscal Year 2021 is identified as deriving from the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund; and
- **WHEREAS,** utilizing the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund to as outlined above is supporting a "community project which nurture and sustain Oneida families" by ensuring housing is available and unsafe structures are demolished; and

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Oneida Business Committee does approve the allocation of \$2.4 million from the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Fund for the purposes of supporting the housing resources by transferring funding for the purposes of –

- (a) to support the implementation of the Homeownership by Independent Purchase (HIP) and any program which permits the Nation to the buy the land the improvements sit upon in exchange for a residential lease with the homeowner (50% of the \$2.4 Million);
- (b) for acquiring a landlocked parcel (20% of the \$2.4 Million);
- (c) for the repairs and improvements needed to get the current residential sale inventory ready for sale and to support demolition of buildings determined to be uninhabitable (30% of the \$2.4 Million); and

identifies the Oneida Land Commission as the responsible party for authorization of expenditure of these funds.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that any funding allocated to items (b) purchase of a specific parcel and (c) repairs and improvements under Resolve #1 may be allocated to item (a) upon adoption of a resolution by the Land Commission directing that to take place.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Comprehensive Housing Division and the Land Management Department shall report to the Oneida Business Committee the status of the funds at the close of fiscal year 2021; any funds not spent by the close fiscal year 2021 shall roll over into the fiscal year 2022 Land Acquisition Fund, provided that such funds must be allocated in accordance with this resolution.

### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting<sup>\*</sup>; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."