



# HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

*Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation*

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HO-CHUNK HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
AGENCY'S 2008 PUBLIC FACILITIES ICDBG CHILDCARE  
PROJECT: CERTIFICATION THAT THE NATION HAS MET THE  
ICDBG CITIZEN PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT  
RESOLUTION 7-8-08 B**

- WHEREAS,** on November 1, 1994, the United States Secretary of the Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") grants the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation (HCN) and Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HHCDA) have received a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) from HUD for the FY 2008 Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program, through which affordable-housing, infrastructure/public-facilities, and economic-development activities can be funded, with the Nation as the applicant; and
- WHEREAS,** by previous resolution (#5-21-08 C), the Legislature expressed its full support for submitting an ICDBG application for development of a childcare center in Black River Falls, with the application to be developed and submitted to HUD on behalf of the Nation by Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HHCDA) and with the Nation's support including \$150,000 in cash match to the grant; and
- WHEREAS,** the ICDBG program requires "evidence in the form of a tribal resolution that the applicant has met the citizen participation requirements of 24 CFR part 1003.604(a) and considered any comments and made any necessary modifications to the application"; and
- WHEREAS,** 24 CFR part 1003.604(a) requires the following:
1. Furnishing residents with information concerning the amounts of [ICDBG] funds available for proposed community development and housing activities and the range of activities that may be undertaken;
  2. Holding one or more meetings to obtain views of residents on community development and housing needs;
  3. Developing and publishing or posting a community development statement in such a manner as to afford affected residents an opportunity to examine its contents and to submit comments;
  4. Affording residents an opportunity to review and comment on the applicant's performance under any active community development block grant;
  5. Considered any comments and views expressed by residents, and if it is deemed appropriate, modified the application accordingly; and
- WHEREAS,** Requirements 1 and 3 were satisfied by posting a "Community Development Statement: Public Facilities and Improvement" in all Black River Falls tribal facilities, a statement that describes the ICDBG program, funding available, and potential funded activities, and summarizes the proposed childcare-development ICDBG project; and

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**WHEREAS,** Requirement 2 was satisfied by a community meeting, publicized throughout the Nation community in Black River Falls—a meeting (a) that focused on the proposed childcare center and the grant process; (b) that was conducted by HHCDA on May 22, 2008, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm, in the Nation Executive Building; (c) that was attended by six Nation members in addition to HHCDA staff; and (d) at which tribal members' views and concerns were obtained, most of which concerned the great need for such a childcare center; and

**WHEREAS,** Requirement 4 has been satisfied on an ongoing basis by the Nation and HHCDA on various past and current ICDBG projects through updates on projects in the Nation newspaper, the HHCDA newsletter, area tribal meetings, and Legislative meetings and acceptance of comments and suggestions from tribal members regarding the projects; and

**WHEREAS,** Requirement 5 has been satisfied by due consideration of all comments of tribal members, either at the community meeting or in response to the community development statement, none of which comments so far have constituted suggestions to make major changes to the proposal, but all of which were supportive of the proposal as presented;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature certifies that HHCDA—as the entity that is submitting the ICDBG application on behalf of the Nation and that will be carrying out the ICDBG development project and the maintenance and operation of the childcare center—*has met the citizen participation requirements of 24 CFR part 1003.604(a) and has fully considered all comments, none of which necessitated modifications to the application.*

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of **10 members** of whom **8** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on this **8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **6 members, 1 opposed, and 1 abstaining**, pursuant to the Article V, Section 2 (a) and (x) of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 1, 1994, and that the foregoing resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.

  
Elliott Garvin, Tribal Secretary

7-8-08  
Date