

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #19-15 FEBRUARY 28, 2019

RESOLUTION

Whereas, The Pawnee Business Council is the supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation and is authorized to conduct business on behalf of the Pawnee Nation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council met in special session on February 28, 2019, at the Pawnee Nation Resource Center, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and

Whereas, authorization for the submission of the 2018 Energy and Mineral Development Project (EMDP) proposal to the U.S. Department of the Interior - Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs – Division of Energy and Mineral Development (DEMD) to fund resource assessments on the Reservation, in the amount of \$75,000.00 with no obligatory match required; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council is aware that its trust land has several natural resources and understand the importance of analyzing such resources in order to value and grade the feasibility of developing each resource; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma has a fundamental responsibility to protect the health, safety and welfare of all tribal members and others within the Nation's jurisdiction, and an obligation to preserve the quality of the reservation's environment and protect tribal natural resources for the future generations; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council deems it necessary to assess the value and feasibility of developing solar and other potential energy resources to benefit the members and stakeholders to the Pawnee Nation; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma is willing to consider developing any potential energy and mineral resource discovered; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma is considering the enlistment of Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP to assist them in performing this project, subject to Tribal competitive bidding rules; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma will consider public release of non-proprietary data or reports obtained by the EMDP project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve the submission of the above grant proposal, in the amount of \$75,000.00 with no obligatory match required, in order to perform the aforementioned study.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the Pawnee Business Council President, Vice-President and/or Executive Director to take all actions necessary to fulfill the mandates of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I, Patricia McCray, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 28th day of February 2019 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members, of whom <u>5</u> were present, <u>5</u> absent, compromising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of <u>4</u> for, <u>0</u> against, <u>0</u> abstaining, and <u>1</u> not voting.

Signed this 28th day of February 2019
ATTEST:

Patricia McCray, Secretary

Pawnee Nation Business Council

W. Bruce Pratt, President

Pawnee Nation Business Council