

**RESOLUTION OF THE
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE 23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL --- FIRST YEAR, 2015**

AN ACTION

**RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE
TO REVIEW TITLE 26 OF THE NAVAJO NATION CODE AND RECOMMEND
APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY AMENDMENTS**

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Findings

- A. The Resources and Development Committee has the authority to grant final approval of resolutions to develop and improve Local Governance Units and has oversight authority over Chapters. 2 N.N.C. §501(B)(2)(c); 2 N.N.C. §501(C)(1).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee met with the Division of Community Development and Administrative Service Centers and discussed issues and concerns pertaining to Title 26 during a recent work session.
- C. Pursuant to those discussions, it is necessary to review Title 26 for possible amendments to improve the overall process as pertains to Chapter functioning and Management.

Section Two. Task Force Establishment; purposes; membership

A Task Force for purposes of:

- 1. A mechanism of establishing accountability at the Chapter level through recommendations for changes in Title 26;
- 2. To explore ways to amend Title 26 so that Chapters may become locally empowered;

3. To work towards establishing policies and possible Title 26 amendments to streamline the Five Management Plan System;

B. The Task Force membership; meetings

1. The Task Force shall consist of the named Navajo Nation employee or designee:
 - i. Shirleen Jumbo-Rintila, Legislative Associate, Division of Community Development;
 - ii. Robert Begay, Department Director, DCD-Administrative Service Centers;
 - iii. Raymond Tsosie, Senior Planner, Division of Community Development;
 - iv. Robert Jumbo, Associate Auditor, Office of the Auditor General;
 - v. Michael Halona, Department Director, Navajo Nation Land Department;
 - vi. Reycita Toddy, Department of Personnel
 - vii. Dominic Beyal, Director, Office of Management and Budget;
 - viii. Rodger Martinez, Director, Navajo Nation Retirement Services;
 - ix. Clarence Chee, Division of Community Development;
 - x. Leonard Benally, Director, Navajo Office of Vital Records;
 - xi. Martin Ashley, Director, Navajo Nation Tax Commission;
 - xii. Vernon Roanhorse, Director, Office of Ethics and Rules; and

xiii. Rodgerick Begay, Esq., Navajo Nation
Department of Justice

2. The Task Force shall meet biweekly.
3. Rules governing meetings, including selection of a Chairperson shall be determined by the Task Force. Provided every member of the Task Force shall be allowed to participate, debate and vote on all matters.

Section Three. Reimbursement

The members of the Task Force, for its meeting attendance and in fulfilling its delegated functions, shall be compensated (where permitted by law, rule or regulation) and reimbursed for expenses from the respective programs they are employed with.

Section Four. Directives

A. The Task Force shall provide to the Resources and Development Committee a written report and proposed draft of Title 26 no later than 90 days after the establishment of the Task Force.

B. The Speaker's Chief of Staff shall assign one staff assistant to assist the Title 26 Task Force with completing the report.

Section Five. Approval

The Navajo Nation Council's Resources and Development Committee hereby authorizes the creation of a Task Force to develop, recommend appropriate and necessary amendments to Title 26 of the Navajo Nation Code.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Navajo Nation Department of Transportation Conference Room, Tse Bonito, Navajo Nation (New Mexico), at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain this 20th day of May, 2015.



Benjamin Bennett, Vice-Chairperson
Resources and Development Committee
Of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Davis Filfred
Second: Honorable Leonard Pete
Vote: 4-0 (Vice- Chairman Not Voting)