RESOLUTION OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23RD NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year, 2018

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES; APPROVING A BUDGET MODIFICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,884,165 TO THE NAVAJO NATION PARKS RECREATION DEPARTMENT, BUSINESS UNIT 510006, FOR A BUDGET OF \$3,275,216

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Navajo Parks and Recreation Department is within the Division of Natural Resources. The Resources and Development Committee serves as the oversight committee for the Division of Natural Resources. 2 N.N.C. § 501 (C)(1).
- B. The Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan indicates that, "[a]n annual budget and expenditure plan for the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund shall be prepared for review and recommended for approval by the Economic Development Committee [now Resources and Development Committee] and Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council through the annual budget process." Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan, Exhibit D, Section 6. Annual Budget/Expenditure Plan.
- C. A budget modification is an increase or decrease to an existing business unit budget in a previously approved budget. Budget modifications require oversight approval, unless it is a prior approval of carryover funds. This budget modification does not involve carryover funds so oversight approval is required. Navajo Nation Budget Instructions Manual, Fiscal Year 2018, Section XIII (C)(1)(c).
- D. The Tourism Fund Management Plan indicates the committees with legislative oversight of the Tourism Fund are the Resources and Development Committee and the Budget and

Finance Committee. Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan, Section 9.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Nation enacted the Hotel Occupancy Tax, 24 N.N.C. §§ 701 et seq.
- B. The Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) is retained in the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund. Consistent with Navajo laws utilizing the prudent person rule, the HOT shall be applied for the advancement of tourism promotion and to develop projects throughout the Navajo Nation, 24 N.N.C. § 741 (A).
- C. Additionally, "[a]ny tax imposed by this Chapter that is collected within any duly established Navajo Tribal Park shall be retained within the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund for the exclusive use of the Navajo Parks and Recreation Department for maintenance and improvement of facilities within the Navajo Tribal Parks, in accordance with the fund management plan for the Navajo Tourism Fund, which shall be amended by the Budget and Finance Committee to accommodate this provision." 24 N.N.C. § 741(B).
- D. The Navajo Nation Tourism Department has requested a budget increase of \$2,884,165 to Business Unit #510006, totaling \$3,275,216. Budget forms supporting this request are attached as Exhibit A.
- E. The Navajo Nation Office of the Controller has determined funds are available in the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund. A Memorandum from Robert Willie, Office of the Controller, is contained in **Exhibit B**, along with the rest of the documents that are part of the Executive Branch 164 review.
- F. The Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan is attached as Exhibit C.

SECTION THREE. APPROVAL

The Navajo Nation hereby approves the budget modification increasing Business Unit #510003, in the amount of \$2,884,165 for a total budget of \$3,275,216, in accordance with **Exhibit A**.

SECTION FOUR. DIRECTIVE TO THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

The Office of the Controller is directed to make the modifications to the Navajo Parks and Recreation Department Fund, Business Unit #510006, in accordance with the budget documents contained in **Exhibit A**.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting held at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed, this 6th day of February, 2018.

Dwight Witherspoon, Vice Chairperson Budget and Finance Committee

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Motion: Honorable Lee Jack, Sr.

Second: Honorable Tuchoney Slim, Jr.



THE NAVAJO NATION PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY

PART 1. Bu	Business Unit No.:	510006	Program Title: Tou	rism-Par	Tourism-Parks & Recreation Department		Division/Branch:	Economic Development	ment
Pre	Prepared By:		Phone No.:	No:	928-810-8501	Email Address:			
PART II. FUI	PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S)	Fiscal Year Term	Amount	% of Total	PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY			É	
HOT Tax Funds - NPED	nds - NPED	10/1/17-9/30/18	3,275,216.00	100%		Type	(A) NNC Approved	(g)	(C) Difference
						Code	Original Budget	Proposed Budget	(Column B - A)
					2001 Personnel Expenses		0	0	0
					3000 Travel Expenses		0	0	0
					3500 Meeting Expenses		0	0	0
					4000 Supplies		18,000	0	-18,000
					5000 Lease and Rental		0	100,012	100,012
					5500 Communications and Utilities	ies	0	0	0
					6000 Repairs and Maintenance		0	0	0
					6500 Contractual Services		88,835	0	-88,835
					7000 Special Transactions		0	0	0
					8000 Public Assistance		0	0	0
					9000 Capital Outlay		170,000	3,175,204	3,005,204
					9500 Matching Funds		0	0	0
					9500 Indirect Cost	٠	0	0	0
						TOTAL	\$276,835.00	3,275,216.00	2,998,381
					PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES	s	(D)	(E)	
					Total # of Positions Budgeted:	ns Budgeted:	0	0	
	•	TOTAL:	\$3,275,216.00	100%	Total # of Permanently Assigned Vehicles:	ned Vehicles:	0	0	
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Actual **BUDGET FORM 2** 4th QTR Goal 0 Actual Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date 3rd QTR In Branch Chief's Printed Name Goal Sean McCabe Actual 2nd QTR Goal Tourism 0 0 0 0 Actual PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA 1st QTR Goal 0 0 0 0 PART IV. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED. To complete the 2nd phase of the Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park road project for visitors and residents Program Name/Title: To establish parking lot/waterless restrooms during high peek season at Navajo Tribal Park To establish waterless restrooms at two locations in Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park Beautification of areas with eco-friendly landscaping to blend in with natural enviorment. PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION REFERENCE/LEGISLATED PROGRAM PURPOSE: To product a design to construct an administration building for NN Parks Office To ensure safe and adequate facilities are available to our visitors Program Manager's Signature and Date Provide adequate and accessible parking/facilities for our visitors program Manager's Printed Name Arval T. McCabe To process a post design for administration building PART III. PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA: Provide accessibility of our park to our visitors Business Unit No.: PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION: 1. Program Performance Area: 2. Program Performance Area: 3. Program Performance Area: 4. Program Performance Area: 5. Program Performance Area: Park Improvements Goal Statement: Goal Statement: Goal Statement Goal Statement: Goal Statement:

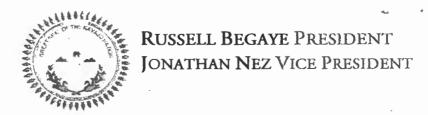
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THE NAVAJO NATION DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

PART I. PRI	PART I, PROGRAM INFORMATION:		
	Program Name/Title: Tourism Business Unit No.:	510006	
PART II. DE	PART II. DETAILED BUDGET: (A)	9	(9)
		Total by	Total by
Object Code		DETAILED	MAJOR
(FOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification	Object Code	Object Code
0009	Repair and Maintenance		\$ 100,012.00
	Contract obligation for landscaping projects for Monument Valley Tribal Park and the Monument Valley Welcome Center		
6200		100,012	
	6270 Landscaping Services 100,012		
	Contractual services for eco-friendly landscaping for Monument Valley Tribal Park, including the Monument Valley Welcome Center		
0006	CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$3,175,204.00
	Consulting fees for second phase of Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park road project to include 8 low water crossings, new aggregate base and stabilizing the road.		
	In addition includes installing headwalls on the 7 previously installed culvert and providing erosion control from first phase. Little Colorado River Tribal Park project includes a new access road to DR64, and relocating the entrance booth. The parking lot includes new pavement, curb and gutters, siding and striping.		
9020	Infrastructure		
	9024 Roads 2,099,300	2,099,300	
	MV - Northern/Southern project - 8 low water crossings, plus aggregate \$1,599,300		
	LCR - Parking Lot \$500,000		
9050			
	9052 Building 750,502	750,502	
	SST Aspen Quatro Waterless Restroom 2/4" Storage Room @John Ford Point & Artist Point - (2) Locations e.o.g. 7.0. For well and Ass. On early 464.		
·•	Restroom w/Storage Room @ John Ford		
	\$171525.00 x 2 Locations=\$343,051.00 \$343,051		
	9052 Building - Design, Fabicated and Install Turnkey Construction of waterless restrooms at 202,000	202,000	
	MVTP Rain God Mesa and John Ford Area		
9070	CAP-Pro Tech Services	123,402	
	9072 CAP-Consulting 123,402		
	Bid support, post design and construction administration		
	TOTAL	3,275,216	\$ 3,275,216.00

THE NAVAJO NATION



Bertha Aguirre, Department Manager

Real Estate Department

MEMORANDUM

TO

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ALL CONCERNED

FROM

Sean McCabe, Division Director

Division of Economic Development

DATE

:

January 24, 2018

SUBJECT

Standing Delegation

The following department director will automatically assume the responsibility, during the times that I am on leave or on travel.

Anthony Perry, Department Manager, Project Development Department Bertha Aguirre, Department Manager, Real Estate Department Elaine Young, Department Manager, Small Business Development

This standing delegation gives authority to handle all routine operation of Division of Economic Development, except those needing attention of the Division Director.

I ask for your full cooperation to be given to the delegated, so that there is no interruption in services. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Anthony Perry, Department Manager Project Development Department

Elaine Young, Department Manager

Small Business Development Department

NAVAJO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FY16 MASTER PLAN

Location	FY2016	DESCRIPTION	OBSTACLE(S)	STATUS
Four Corners	Activate waterline	Construction firm is being	Winter conditions will not	Pending digital drawings
Monument	connection to FCM	solicited to complete the	permit connection to be made.	NTUA is requesting for the drawings.
	restroom	connection and NTUA to	Wait until Spring 2016.	*LOCATE DIGITAL DRAWINGS AND PROCEED
	Complete parking lot	Construction company will	federal funds have been	No funds
	improvement at FCM	be hired to improve	withdrawn	*Include in next budget transfer.
		grounds by leveling area.		*Get cost estimate from NECA
	Powerline Externsion	Three phase	Review and amend the contract	Obtaining original documents and modify the
		From TeecNosPos to FCM		contract.
	Flag Pole Replacement	Seven Flag Poles	Getting assistance to construct	Obtain quotations
Lake Powell	Renovate building for	The lease agreement has		164 Packet is at Contracts & Grants
	Lake Powell and	been signed and need to		Obtained updated documents from contractor for
	convert to visitor	have building appraised		the building renovation
	center/offices	for insurance coverage.		Start 164 Review for building renovation (Nate
				Boyd)
-				**Building Renovation-TIME SENS:TIVE**
				NNC has deadline of 9/30/17 for allocated
				funding.
	Cultural resources	Cultural survey completed	Budget transfer needs to be	Three surveys
	survey for potential	and clearance received.	done to prepare contract for	1st completed HPD Sign off
	helicopter landing		biological survey/clearance.	2 nd Environmental Clearance - pending
	sites at Lake Powell			3 rd biological Clearance – pending
				Contacted lina' bah' – at a stand still
				*Identify funds
	Environmental	Conduct environmental	Environmental & Biological	Look into possible companies to complete as
	Clearances for Landing	clearances for eleven (11)	Assessments will be completed	individual site projects. – Nate Boyd
	Sites	proposed landing sites for	before any landing can be	
		air service tours.	permitted at proposed sites. \$100,000.00	
	Upper Antelope	Construct a new fee	The new fee station will be used	Need to obtain quotations to include in the HOT

	Canvon Fee Station -	station to replace	to oversee tour and fee	funds
	HOT Budget	outdated fee station	collection operators. \$80,000	
	New Public Restrooms	Research and finalize plan	The availability of adequate	Include in FY-18
	- HOT Budget	to purchase	number of waterless restroom	
		approximately sixteen (16)	units will eliminate the need for	
		waterless restroom units	porta johns and be more cost	
-		for Upper and Lower AC.	efficient to maintain.	
			\$293,304.00	
Marble Canyon	Undertake	Senior Planner position	Need to get approval for	Senior Planner is at LeChee Office
	development plan for	will be transferred to	transfer of position.	Under the Western GMP
	Marble Canyon Lee's	Lechee office to begin		*Collect data
	Ferry	working on plan.		Come up with a development concept plan, i.e.
				fee station, campground, hiking trails, waterless
				restrooms
				Draft scope of work for the chapter
Monument	Complete 3.5 mile	The project is	Project is on hold due to winter	Prepared project summary for MV.
Valley	road construction	approximately 75%	conditions.	Need funding in proper object code.
	project at Monument	complete.		No maintenance
	Valley			Project is completed, but the road is damaged
				again.
				*Follow up with NDOT (Nate Boyd)
	Establish waterless	The budget will be		Funding is allocated
	restrooms at three	prepared with funding		Follow up with HPD – obtain clarification
	locations at	assistance from Hotel		
	Monument Valley	Occupancy Tax funds.		
	Develop Backcountry	No activity at this time		Assessment & Inventory for Mystery Valley
	Management Plan for	due to limited staff		Map of all roads
	Mystery Valley	capability.		Identify Arch. Sites
	Monument Valley			Work with HPD
	Tribal Park			Land Users – pin point on map
				Develop guidelines for Tour Operators
	Cash Register System	Pilot Project at MV and set		Begin Pilot Project
		up at the central office		
Little Colorado	Construct vendor	On-going road project on		Need NEPA Compliance
River	village at Little	access road needs to be		Waterless restroom will be installed
	Colorado River Second	completed first.		Need to identify the funds

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	Complete access road	Working with ADOT and	Budget transfer needed to fund	Need to identify funds - \$830K
	to first viewpoint at	NDOT to undertake the	engineering services.	Need to complete OMB Forms
	Little Colorado River	project. Engineering	Legislation is now going through	Meeting scheduled February 8 th at NDOT @ 10:00
	Tribal Park	services to be contracted through NDOT.	164 review.	a.m.
	Fee Station			
	Complete first draft of	An orientation session for		Need to identify funds for Cultural Mapping -
	Western Area Parks	all potential stake holders		\$118K
	General Management	is planned for January 27-		
	Plan	28.		
	Contract for	Request for Proposals was	Contract documents still	Need to identify funds
	consultant services to	distributed, proposals	pending.	
	develop master	received and contractor		
	development concept	selected.		
	plan for third			
	viewpoint			
	Complete trail	Assessment needs to be		Obtain supporting resolution
	improvement to first	done on the rocky areas to		Henry Yazzie made other plans and will draft
	viewpoint overlook	determine what type of		scope of work.
	with handicapped	trail would be feasible.		Find other alternatives for walk way
	access			RFP to construct the walk way
	ASU			Need to Identify Funds @ \$118,642
	Waterless Restrooms	Quote dated 1/19/17 at		Need to identify funds for legislation (fund
	at 2 nd Viewpoint	\$672,215.94 from		balance) \$700K
		ROMTEC		Need to complete OMB Forms
Canyon de	Establish agreement	National Park Service is	Develop implementation plan	Pending first formal meeting
Chelly	with National Park	favorable to the plan and	and budget for additional staff.	Pending feedback on cooperative plan
	Service Canyon de	will need to develop an		Prepare an operating budget to do a cost benefit
	Chelly to reopen	inter-governmental		analysis.
	Ledge House	agreement.		
	viewpoint with NPRD			
	operation			
	Complete first draft of	Core team has been		DNR is the lead agency
	Canyon de Chelly Joint	established by Division of		

	Management Plan	Natural Resources to work with NPS, BIA and chapters.		
	Review, amend and renew agreement with NPS to operate	The agreement will expires in 2016 and will be re-negotiated.		Will expire on April 12, 2017 Contact NPS – Discussion of agreement renewal Mtg confirm Feb. 2 nd at 1:30 p.m. @ NPS Maint.
	Cottonwood Campground			Conf. Room Attendees: MLB, AA DJ, DY, NB & Lynn Correnza
	Campground Cabins			Funding available at 550K RFP Phase 1
All areas	Establish enforcement program to cover all	A Memorandum of Agreement was signed	Ranger positions need to be classified before any hiring, then	commission requirement removed Need to work on Security Contract for the parks –
	tribal park areas	between the Parks and Recreation Department and Resources	training that will take months.	RFP sent out and due Thursday Start Date: March 1 st Each Park will get 6 Security Personnel and 15 for
		Enforcement.		MV Purchase Vehicles and computer equipment
Navajo	Plan and undertake	The Fair Office has met	Funding will be a concern and	Need event budget
Fairgrounds	Fourth of July	with potential contractors	needs to be discussed with the	Revenue Projection
	Celebration	and the PRCA to discuss the plans.	new controller.	
	Plan and undertake Navaio Nation Fair	Same as above.	Same as above.	Need event budget Revenue Projection
	Navajo Rodeo Hall of	Local Navajo rodeo	A location needs to be identified	Work with Museum and Rodeo Associations
	Fame and Museum	associations have	and a funding source.	
	Museum)	need assistance to		
		continue the project to reality.		
Other projects	Assessment to	No activity. Construction		Adding some construction staff to LeChee Office
	establish Western	services will be		
	Area Tribal Parks	decentralized to work out		
	Office	of Lechee to assist		
		western area parks.		
	Assessment for Three	A Management Plan has		Follow up with Nazlini Chapter Officials

been prepared and will be presented to the Nazlini Chapter. Department Manager was reappointed as member to the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group. Discussions have taken place to develop a trail from the Museum to Window Rock. Other trails can be considered. A trails conference will be upcoming. Each park will develop a list Monument Valley and Four Corners Monument Fee Station for LPNTP &	6)
	been prepared and will be presented to the Nazlini Chapter.
Turkey Ruins as potential tribal park Work with National Park Service and Federal Aviation Administration on Air Tour Management Plan for NN Navajo Trails Network Navajo Trails Network program to assist with Park Operations Maintenance / Utility Vehicles and additional equipment Employee Housing	Turkey Ruins as potential tribal park



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November 02, 2017

MEMORANDUM:

TO

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Robert Willie, Accounting manager

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

FROM

Arval T. McCabe, Department Manager I

Tourism Department

DIVISION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SUBJECT

164 Review-008926-Budget Drawdown Acct#510003/510006

REF

Memo Dated October 30, 2017

I have adjusted the drawdown for account #510003 to reflect the real numbers that we discussed earlier today. I have made the adjustment to this account from \$1,812,395.00 to \$1,479,534.00 to reflect the amount of both accounts #510003/510006 totals to the drawdown amount of \$4,754,750.00, which is reflexed as the real number in your memo.

Your assistance to reconsider this drawdown approval is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, contact me at extension 8501.

ATTACHEMENTS

xc: File

510003 \$ 1,479,534 510006 \$ 3,275, 214

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RUSSELL BEGAYE PRESIDENT JONATHAN NEZ VICE-PRESIDENT

Memorandum:

To:

2 NNC § 164 Reviewers

Delegates & 2 NNC '164 Reviewers

Navaio Nation Government

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From:

Robert Willie, Accounting Manager

Office of the Controller

Date:

November 8, 2017

Subject:

164 Review-008926-Budget Drawdown Acct#51003/510006, Memo dated

Oct 30, 2017

The Office of the Controller has received updated referenced document.

1. There is sufficient amount to cover this request at this time, however all the reserves would be depleted. There will however be new revenue coming in during the fiscal year.

If you should have any questions you can contact me at tribal extension X6125.

RUSSELL BEGAYE PRESIDENT JONATHAN NEZ VICE-PRESIDENT

Memorandum:

Date:

October 30, 2017

To:

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Navajo Nation Government

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From:

Robert Willie, Accounting Manager

Office of the Controller

Subject:

164 Review-008926-Budget Drawdown Acct#510003/510006

The Office of the Controller has reviewed the above referenced document.

- 1. The Tourism Fund is requesting an increase to their budget allocation for FY 18 in the amount of Total amount of \$5,087,611 for the Tourism (BU 510003) \$1,812,395 and Tourism (BU 510006)(HOT Tax-NPRD) \$3,275,216.
- 2. The current fund balance of the Tourism Fund is \$4,754,750 which is insufficient to cover the \$5,087,611 requested.
- 3. If both of these requests are approved there will be nothing left in the reserve account for the Tourism Department.
- 4. Recommendation would be to wait for the fund balance to build up and then request the increase.

If you should have any questions you can contact me at tribal extension X6125.



NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

ETHEL B. BRANCH ATTORNEY GENERAL

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RODGERICK T. BEGAY DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

Arval T. McCabe, Department Manager I

Tourism Department, Division of Economic Development

THROUGH:

LaTonia B. J ϕ hnson, Assistant Attorney General

Economic/Community Development Unit, Dept. of Justice

FROM:

Adjua O. Adjei-Danso, Attorney-Candidate

Economic/Community Development Unit, Dept. of Justice

DATE: November 14, 2017

SUBJECT: Resubmitted Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department

Drawdown Request From HOT Fund

The Department of Justice ("DOJ") has reviewed the abovementioned document, a resubmittal by the Tourism Department. As indicated in a DOJ memorandum dated November 3, 2017, the first submission was found insufficient because the drawdown request exceeded what was available in the Tourism Fund. The review request resubmitted by the Tourism Department has been revised so that the new total drawdown amount being requested equals what is available in the Tourism Fund. DOJ finds these submitted documents legally sufficient, but again notes the following:

> 1. The Tourism Department's ("Department") request of a drawdown from the Hospitality Occupancy Tax ("HOT") is in fact a request to increase the Department's annual budget allocation by a total of four million, seven hundred and fifty four thousand, seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$4,754,750.00). Per the Budget Instructions Manual, this budget allocation increase request requires approval by

¹ Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department Drawdown Request From HOT Fund memorandum from Adjua Adjei-Danso (November 3, 2017).

Memorandum to: Arval T. McCabe, Department Manager I

Re: Resubmitted Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department Drawdown Request From HOT Fund

November 14, 2017

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the Department's oversight committee.² As such, this request must properly be made to the Resources and Development Committee, which oversees the Division of Economic Development, of which this Department is a part.

2. Additionally, as noted in the previously referenced DOJ memorandum, part of the Department's request for a funding increase is for the Parks and Recreation Department ("PRD").3 In 2009, Navajo Nation Council amended the HOT Fund to allow taxes collected within any Navajo Tribal Park to be used exclusively by the PRD.4 The associated Fund Management Plan has not been amended to reflect the HOT amendment however, so any fund increase request for PRD still goes through the Tourism Department. This results in the Tourism Department maintaining responsibility to ensure that the PRD spends its funds consistent with the amended HOT, which is beyond the purview of the Department. To address this issue, DOJ has and again recommends that the Department and the PRD enter into an intragovernmental agreement outlining that the PRD will only spend their HOT allocated funds consistent with the amended HOT language, or amend the Fund Management Plan to allow the PRD to make direct HOT funding requests.5

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 928-871-6933 if you have any questions regarding this memorandum. Thank you.

AAD/gj/250

xc: 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A) Reviewers

² Budget Instructions Manual, § XIII (C) (1) (c)

³ Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department Drawdown Request From HOT Fund memorandum from Adjua Adjei-Danso (November 3, 2017).

^{4 24} N.N.C. § 741 (B)

⁵ DOJ has previously sent such proposed amendments to the Tourism Department for consideration, and this issue was also previously raised in two earlier memoranda to the Tourism Department (see 164 Document No. 007651: Request to Increase Annual Allocation memorandum from Elizabeth Coronado (April 5, 2017), and Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department Drawdown Request From HOT Fund memorandum from Adjua Adjei-Danso (November 3, 2017)).



NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

ETHEL B. BRANCH ATTORNEY GENERAL RODGERICK T. BEGAY
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

TO: Arval T. McCabe, Department Manager I

Tourism Department, Division of Economic Development

THROUGH:

LaTonia B. Johnson, Assistant Attorney General

Economic/Community Development Unit, Dept. of Justice

FROM:

Adjua O. Adjei-Danso, Attorney-Candidate

Economic/Community Development Unit, Dept. of Justice

DATE: November 3, 2017

SUBJECT: Doc. No. 008926: Navajo Tourism Department Drawdown

Request From HOT Fund

The Department of Justice ("DOJ") has reviewed the abovementioned document, finding it legally insufficient, and noting the following concerns:

- 1. The Tourism Department's ("Department") request of a drawdown from the Hospitality Occupancy Tax ("HOT") is in fact a request to increase the Department's annual budget allocation by a total of five million, eighty-seven thousand six hundred and eleven dollars (\$5,087,611). Per the Budget Instructions Manual, this budget allocation increase request requires approval by the Department's oversight committee. As such, this request must properly be made to the Resources and Development Committee, which oversees the Division of Economic Development, of which this Department is a part;
- 2. As explained in the 30 October, 2017 memorandum issued by Mr. Robert Willie of the Office of the Controller, the amount requested by the Department exceeds what is

¹ Budget Instructions Manual, § XIII (C) (1) (c)

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available in the HOT.² Per the advice provided by the Office of the Controller, the Department should consider an alternative to the requested increase;

3. Also as noted in Mr. Willie's memorandum, part of the Department's request for a funding increase is for the Parks and Recreation Department ("PRD").3 In 2009, Navajo Nation Council amended the HOT Fund to allow taxes collected within any Navajo Tribal Park to be used exclusively by the PRD.4 The associated Fund Management Plan has not been amended to reflect the HOT amendment however, so any fund increase request for PRD still goes through the Tourism Department. This results in the Tourism Department maintaining responsibility to ensure that the PRD spends its funds consistent with the amended HOT, which is beyond the purview of the Department. To address this issue, DOJ previously recommended that the Department and the PRD enter into an intragovernmental agreement outlining that the PRD will only spend their HOT allocated funds consistent with the amended HOT language, or amend the Fund Management Plan to allow the PRD to make direct HOT funding requests.5

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 928-871-6933 if you have any questions regarding this memorandum. Thank you.

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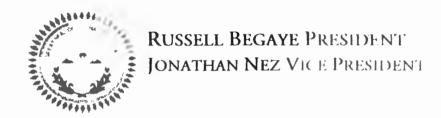
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 $^{^2}$ Memorandum from Robert Willie, Accounting Manager, Office of the Controller, to 2 NNC $\$ 164 reviewers, Delegates (Oct. 30, 2017) (on file with Tourism Department).

^{4 24} N.N.C. § 741 (B)

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THE NAVAJO NATION



Elaine Young/Department Manager

Small Business Development Dept.

MEMORANDUM

TO

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ALL CONCERNED

FROM

Crystal Deschinny, Division Director
Division of Economic Development

DATE

October 02, 2017

SUBJECT

Standing Delegation

The following department director will automatically assume the responsibility, during the times that I am on leave or on travel.

Anthony Perry, Department Manager, Project Development Department Bertha Aguirre, Department Manager, Real Estate Department Elaine Young, Department Manager, Small Business Development

This standing delegation gives authority to handle all routine operation of Division of Economic Development, except those needing attention of the Division Director.

I ask for your full cooperation to be given to the delegated, so that there is no interruption in services. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Anthony Perry, Department Manager Project Development Department

Bertha Agui Hé, Department Manager

Real Estate Department



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RESOLUTION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

Recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee.

the Approval Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan
To Be Administered By the Navajo Tourism Department.

Division of Economic Development

WHEREAS:

- 1. Pursuant to 2 N.T.C. Section 721, the Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is established and continued as a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council; and
- 2. Pursuant to 2 N.T.C. Section 724 (d) and (g), the Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is the oversight authority for the Division of Economic Development with the authority to review and approve all proposed economic development projects which require the use of Navajo Nation funds; and to be the central point of contact for all economic development matters; and
- 3. Pursuant to 2 N.T.C. Section 724 (f), the Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is authorized, in consultation with the Navajo Tax Commission, to make recommendations to the Navajo Nation Council regarding all taxation proposals affecting business or commercial activities, attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and
- 4. On July 30, 1992, the President of the Navajo Nation signed into law the Navajo Nation Hotel Occupancy Tax, 24 N.T.C. Subsection 700 et. seq., (Exhibit "C") to become effective January 1, 1993; and
- 5. 24 N.T.C. Subsection 741 provides that the tax imposed shall be retained in a special fund entitled the "Navajo Nation Tourism Fund", which shall be administered by the Navajo Tourism Department and applied for the advancement of local tourism promotion and to develop projects throughout the Navajo Nation; and
- 6. The Havajo Tourism Department has developed a Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan (Exhibit "D"); and
- 7. The Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has reviewed the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan as reflecting the intent of the Hotel Occupancy Tax, 24 N.T.C. Subsection 700 et seq., attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby recommends to the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, the approval of the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "D".

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstained, this 11th day of August 1993.

David L. John, Chairperson Economic Development Committee

Motion: Emmett Bia Second: Herbert Pioche

Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Management Plan

Section 1 - Authority

The President of the Navajo Nation signed into law the Hotel Occupancy Tax, 24 N.T.C. 700-Resolution CJY-27-92 et.seq., which became effective January 1, 1993.

These revenues will be retained in a special fund entitled "Navajo Nation Tourism Fund" which will be administered by the Navajo Tourism Department.

This tax shall be administered by the Navajo Tourism Department, and which shall, consistent with the laws of the Navajo Nation and utilizing the prudent person rule, be applied for the advancement of local promotion, and to develop projects throughout the Navajo Nation. The Division of Economic Development and the Navajo Tourism Department are hereby authorized to develop and recommend to the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council the fund's management plan.

Section 2 - Purpose

The purpose of the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund is to provide funds for tourism promotion, tourism department operational funds; and for project development which includes the following, but is not limited to: the advertisement of Navajo people, scenery and facilities and for acquisition, construction, renovation and maintenance of tourism-related attractions and recreational facilities.

Section 3 - Objective

To promote a positive image and develop infrastructure that will make the Navajo Nation more accommodating. This will increase visitation on the Navajo Nation and maintain tourism dollars to create job opportunities for the Navajo people and escalate the Navajo Nation economy.

Section 4 - Program Administration

The Navajo Tourism Department shall propose, develop, and administer all tourism-related projects which require the use of this fund.

Section 5 - Use of Tax Proceeds

The tax proceeds will be utilized for local tourism promotion and project development, which will include, but not be limited to: multi-media advertising and for the development of tourism-related facilities and projects.

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Section 6- Annual Budget/Expenditure Plan

- A. An annual budget and expenditure plan for the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund shall be prepared for review and recommended for approval by the Economic Development Committee and Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council through the annual budget process.
- B The plan shall include detailed projections of revenues for the coming fiscal year and detailed line item expenditures shall be processed as a budget justification and processed through normal tribal policy and procedures for review and approval.
- C. Carry-over funds shall remain in the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund Account to be used for the following year pursuant to an approved budget by the Navajo Nation Council. The revenues are credited against the expenditures and each year the balance in the account carries over into the following year without further action.

Section 7 - Accounting, Expenditure Control and Responsibility

- A All funds received from the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund will be deposited through the Financial Services Department to the Cashiers Section within the Division of Finance.
- B. Expenditures within the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund will utilize the prudent person rule and will be in accordance with all normal tribal policies and procedures.
- C. Disbursement authorizations shall be signed by the Navajo Tourism Department director or delegated authority and the executive or deputy director of the Division of Economic Development.
- D. No expenditure shall be used for any illegal purpose or for the purpose of making political contributions to any candidate or for the purpose of making contributions to any individual, group, or organizations, whether for profit or on a non-profit basis.

Section 8 - Audits and Reports

- A Accounting books for the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund shall be subject to periodic audits in conjunction with the regular tribal audit performed on all of the financial records of the Navajo Nation.
- B The Navajo Tourism Department and Support Services directors within the Division of Economic Development shall make periodic written reports to the Economic Development and Budget and Finance Committees of the Navajo Nation Council on the status of the Navajo Nation Tourism Fund.

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Section 9 - Legislative Oversight

- A Pursuant to 2 N.T.C., Section 724 (g), the Economic Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council shall serve as the oversight committee of the Division of Economic Development including those activities which deal with the planning, development, promotion and oversight of economic development activities.
- Also, pursuant to 2 N.T.C., Section 374 (b) (1), and (b) (8), the Budget and Finance Committee shall review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment and management of all funds, including requiring reports from and to monitor the financial performance of all offices, divisions, departments, enterprises, authorities, committees, boards, commissions, or entities having oversight or control over fiscal matters or financial obligations to the Navajo Nation.

Section 10 - Amendments

The Division of Economic Development and the Navajo Tourism Department are authorized to develop and make recommendations to amend the Navajo Na. 'n Tourism Fund's management plan to the Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.