



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. IX. I.
1/26/2016

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Joint resolution with the Chickasaw Nation, by and through its Department of Commerce expressing the intent and desire of the parties to work together to reach an agreement that will better enable the completion and operation of the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum and the commercial development of adjoining property in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of House Bill No. 2237 of the 2015 Oklahoma Legislature, as signed into law by Governor Mary Fallin on May 28, 2015, or any amendments thereof.

Background

On May 28, 2015, Governor Mary Fallin signed HB 2237 into law, which legislation set forth, in part, the requirements under which the State of Oklahoma would provide additional funding toward the completion of the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum (AICCM), and requires The City to enter into an agreement with the State of Oklahoma by January 15, 2016, which date was extended to March 15, 2016.

In response to HB 2237, Mayor Mick Cornett, upon City Council approval, established the Council Committee on the AICCM, which consists of the Mayor, Councilwoman Margaret S. Salyer, Councilman David Greenwell, and Councilman Mark K. Stonecipher.

On December 22, 2015, the Council Committee on the AICCM met to receive a presentation of the Construction Completion Report, the Operating Analysis Report, the Development Potential Report, and a proposal by the Chickasaw Nation. The Chickasaw Nation presented a proposal to the Council Committee suggesting a method by which they would provide financial support to address the projected shortfall in funding for completion of the AICCM, and to cover any AICCM operating deficits up to \$2 million per year for the first seven years. The Chickasaw Nation also expressed their desire to develop the commercial property surrounding the AICCM.

This resolution expresses the City Council's appreciation to the Chickasaw Nation for its willingness to support the completion and operation of the AICCM, to develop the property surrounding the AICCM and to work together with The City on a long term solution

for sustainable operations of the AICCM. The resolution further expresses The City's intent to work together with the Chickasaw Nation to attempt to reach an agreement that fulfills the requirements of HB 2237 or any amendments.

Review

Finance Department

Recommendation: Resolution be adopted.

Attachment