

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Leavy
INITIATOR



6/3/2024
DATE SUBMITTED

SPONSOR

Resolution Extending an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Beloit, the County of Rock and the Ho-Chunk Nation

1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Beloit (“City”), County of Rock (“County”) and the Ho-Chunk Nation
2 (“Nation”) had previously in March 2012 entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) relating
3 to the construction and operation of a Class III Gaming Facility on property owned by the Nation in the
4 City of Beloit; and,

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6 **WHEREAS**, the Intergovernmental Agreement indicated that it would automatically expire three (3)
7 years from the execution if Trust approval date had not yet occurred unless the parties agreed otherwise
8 in writing; and,

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10 **WHEREAS**, the Intergovernmental Agreement was extended for a three (3) year period by agreement
11 of the parties in March 2015, setting forth a new expiration date of March 26, 2018; and,

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13 **WHEREAS**, a Second Amendment of Intergovernmental Agreement was entered into by agreement of
14 the parties in March 2018, setting forth a new expiration date of March 26, 2021.

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16 **WHEREAS**, the Nation submitted a Federal Trust Application, including the IGA, for approval to the
17 United States Secretary of the Interior (“Secretary”), who approved the Trust Application in April 2020.

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19 **WHEREAS**, the County recognizes that said Class III Gaming Facility will be beneficial to the City, the
20 County, area residents, and to the Nation and its members by, in part, providing employment
21 opportunities and promoting economic development in the region.

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23 **WHEREAS**, the Nation has ownership of the site, and said site is specified in the IGA and is included
24 in their Federal Trust Application.

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26 **WHEREAS**, the Nation has entered into a Gaming Compact with the State of Wisconsin, which
27 provides for an additional Class III Gaming site.

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29 **WHEREAS**, said Gaming Compact in Article XXVII B requires that a resolution of support authorizing
30 Class III Gaming be delivered to the Governor by the city and the county where such site is to be
31 located.

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33 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
34 assembled this 13th day of June, 2024, that they extend the current IGA between the City, the County
35 and the Nation until December 31, 2024.

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37 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County hereby continues to authorize Class III Gaming
38 consistent with the IGA and also authorizes the delivery of this resolution of support to the Governor of
39 the State of Wisconsin.

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41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board Chair and County Clerk be authorized to
42 execute the amendment/extension of the IGA on behalf of the County of Rock.

FISCAL NOTE:

Financial impact is unknown at this time.

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01, 59.51 and 66.0301, Wis. Stats.

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Committee Action

County Board Staff Committee

County Board Staff Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.
Supervisor Leavy was absent.

