



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
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Executive Council of the Central Council  
TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 21-70

Title: Authorization for Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority to Submit for the 2021 Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Application

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 32,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article X of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has the authority to establish relationships and enter into agreements for the benefit and wellbeing of the tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for Tlingit & Haida; and

WHEREAS, the results of THRHA's 2019 Housing Assessment for the community of Juneau found that 85% reported more affordable housing as a high priority, with 46% stating the need for single family homes with 2-3 bedrooms was the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Housing Assessment also found that 27% of Tribal households reported their homes are overcrowded and 62% of Tribal households are renters, compared to the 35.9% average rate that rent nationally and statewide, demonstrating clear inequity of homes available to our Tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, the results of THRHA's 2019 Assessment found that there is a lack of affordable housing stock available in the Juneau community to relieve the overcrowding and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, new construction and costs of homes in the City of Juneau have shot up in price, with even undeveloped lots out of the range for affordable construction loans; and

WHEREAS, THRHA is working with Tlingit & Haida to make available affordable homes on the undeveloped property designated as Kowee Lot 1 that the Tribe currently owns and which will provide this much needed opportunity for affordable homeownership; and

WHEREAS, Kowee Lot 1 comprises 86 acres and has a value assessed by the City and Borough of Juneau Tax Assessor Office at \$2,075,250; and

WHEREAS, a minimum of 7 acres are committed for development, utilizing strategic partnerships such as Tribal Transportation and City and Borough of Juneau for the development of access roads and related infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) the sole authority to submit the 2021 Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Competitive Application for a total amount of \$5,000,000 on behalf of Tlingit & Haida for the development of new housing and related infrastructure the critical shortage of affordable, healthy and safe housing available in the Juneau area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida does not intend to apply on its own behalf for the current 2021 IHBG Competitive funding opportunity; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida designates THRHA to implement the project in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development standards and regulations and a subrecipient agreement to be entered into between Tlingit & Haida and THRHA.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

**CERTIFY**

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**

  
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Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe