

## CENTRAL COUNCIL Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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

## Resolution EC 24-121

Title: Authorization to Apply for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Community Change Grants Program in Partnership with Southeast Conference

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 37,000 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, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has announced \$2 billion available for grants for the Community Change Grants Program to "to benefit disadvantaged communities"; and

WHEREAS, the intended project would focus on workforce development in four areas that will work concurrently with other funding and projects occurring in the region to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote sustainable technology; and

WHEREAS, the targeted workforce development areas include Sustainable and Energy Efficient Housing, Biomass Technologies, Electric Transportation and Infrastructure, and Solid Waste Handling; and

WHEREAS, this project would benefit Southeast Alaska communities all of which are at a minimum partially disadvantaged; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply in partnership with Southeast Conference for up to \$20 million in funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for up to a 3-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for granting funds for the proposed Community Change Grants Program.

ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absences.

**CERTIFY** 

President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST** 

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata