

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE



RESOLUTION NO. 16-3

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and the Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal council has an established commitment to and history of working to obtain funding from various sources, including federal and tribal funding, for on-reservation and off-reservation transportation projects of importance to the Tribe and the surrounding community; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) through the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) created with the passage of Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), provides funds for eligible transportation projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that, subject to the availability of funds and the execution of a <u>Referenced Funding Agreement</u> (RFA) by the Tribe and the Director of the BIA, the Tribe shall receive a single advance payment by electronic transfer within thirty (30) calendar days and that these funds shall be used by the Tribe as permitted under 23 USC §(d) and 25 CFR Part 170, both as amended by FAST, other applicable laws, and for the purposes authorized under the Program Agreement, so long as such funds are used in accordance with Federal appropriations law; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that under the new <u>Program Agreement</u>, any funds which are paid to the Tribe under the <u>RFA</u> which have not been expended by the Tribe at the conclusion of the Federal Fiscal Year shall remain in the custody of the Tribe and be used for the purposes authorized under the <u>RFA</u> and the Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that \$338,331.55 is currently available to the Tribe upon execution of the RFA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby authorizes submittal of the <u>Tribal Transportation Program Agreement Between the Squaxin Island Tribe and the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs</u> and the <u>Referenced Funding Agreement</u>.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Tribal Administrator, Director of Operations and Director of Planning and Community Development to be the Tribe's representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization for projects to be funded through this Agreement, and that these authorities shall be for the duration of the Agreement.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was
adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this
day of April 2016, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a
vote of \mathcal{A} for and \mathcal{O} against with \mathcal{O} abstentions.

Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

Charlene Krise, Secretary

Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman