

**Joint Village Strategic Planning
MEETING NOTES
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
10 AM MST
Zoom Videoconference and Telephone**

Attendees

- Kristen Cooper, Pallavi Deshpande, Andrew Gashwazra, Jarvis Namoki, Nikita Shukla, Fred Shupla, Robert Sumatzkuku, Josie Te Rata, Hillis Tootsie, Neil Yazzie and Brian Cole

Primary Meeting “Take-aways:”

- Harvard Project
 - The primary topic of discussion was the scope of work to be accomplished by the three-member Harvard team related to Hopi governance
 - It was agreed to limit the geographic scope to the three JVSP communities
 - It was agreed to limit the functional scope to economic development and project advancement
 - Considerable discussion about how to coordinate with the Hopi Tribal Council
 - Kristen Cooper would distribute the Hopi Constitution and other background documentation
- Hopi Tribal Council Resolution for \$1.5 Million (See Attachment A)
 - The draft Hopi Tribal Council resolution to accept the \$1.5 million Congressionally Directed Spending allocation was discussed
 - Brian Cole noted that the window of opportunity for CDS spending is open again

Next Meeting

- The next regular meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 28 at 10 am MST.

Attachment A

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION
H-XXX-2023

WHEREAS, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe, ARTICLE VI – POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL, SECTION 1 (a), authorizes the Hopi Tribal Council “To represent and speak for the Hopi Tribe in all matters for the welfare of the Tribe,...”; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Hopi Tribal Council passed Resolution H-028-2021, expressing support of village efforts to seek federal funding for projects benefiting the Village of Moenkopi (Lower), Upper Moenkopi Village and Yuwehloo Pahki Community; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Hopi Tribal Council passed Resolution H-051-2022, expressing its continued support of the efforts of the Village of Moenkopi (Lower), Upper Moenkopi Village, and Yuwehloo Pahki Community to seek out federal funding for projects benefitting Village of Moenkopi (Lower), Upper Moenkopi Village, and Yuwehloo Pahki Community; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Village Strategic Planning (JVSP) team has taken upon itself a responsibility to engage in efforts on behalf of the Village of Moenkopi (Lower), Upper Moenkopi Village, and Yuwehloo Pahki Community as a result of Resolution H-028-202; and

WHEREAS, the JVSP team assisted Upper Moenkopi Village to develop an Economic Development Strategic Plan that identifies top projects and funding needs to address the impacts of the Bennett Freeze; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Moenkopi Village Economic Development Strategic Plan identifies the need for new and improved water infrastructure as a top priority; and

WHEREAS, JVSP, Upper Moenkopi Village, and the Moenkopi Utility Authority (MUA) have worked over the past two years with Indian Health Services (IHS) to scope the MUA Pasture Canyon Water Well #2 project; and

WHEREAS, JVSP has submitted monthly reports to the Hopi Water Energy Committee explaining the water infrastructure project and their coordinating efforts to seek congressional funding; and

WHEREAS, the advocacy efforts by JVSP and MUA have successfully resulted in Congressionally Directed Spending of \$1.5 million to be received by the Hopi Tribe for the purpose of addressing the water infrastructure project advanced by MUA in coordination with IHS; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the \$1.5 million is specified by Congress for Moenkopi water infrastructure.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hopi Tribal Council recognizes the work of JVSP, Upper Moenkopi Village, and the Moenkopi Utility Authority to successfully secure \$1.5 million to be directed by the United States Congress to the Hopi Tribe for the Moenkopi Water Infrastructure Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council (TC) approves the receipt of funding from the United States for this purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entirety of this funding award will be transferred by the Hopi Tribe to MUA or the designee by MUA to be used for the Water Infrastructure Project as approved by the United States Congress.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall supersede and replace all prior resolutions of the Hopi Tribal Council that are inconsistent, or in conflict with the intent, purpose, and provision of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The Hopi Tribal Council duly adopted the foregoing Resolution on _____ at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of ___ in favor, ___ opposed, ___ abstaining (Chairman presiding and not voting) pursuant to the authority vested in the Hopi Tribal Council by ARTICLE VI-POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL, SECTION 1 (a) of the Hopi Tribal Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona, as ratified by the Tribe on October 24, 1936, and approved by the Secretary of Interior on December 19, 1936, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934. Said Resolution is effective as of the date of adoption and does not require Secretarial approval.

Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma, Chairman
Hopi Tribal Council

ATTEST:

Judith Youvella, Tribal Secretary
Hopi Tribal Council