

WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUTE 2007-008

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

SECTION I. SHORT TITLE, PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

A. Short Title

This Statute shall be entitled “Waganakising Odawa Economic Development Commission Act.” This statute replaces Waganakising Odawak Statute 1996007 and amendment WOS 2003-03 and repeals Tribal Resolution 061106-15 entitled Odawa Enterprise Management and Department of Commerce Authorization and Funding Provisions and any and all other resolutions or previous statutes.

B. Purpose

The Commission is to be strictly advisory in nature and shall assist in promoting the economic development of Tribal non-gaming economic enterprises. Such enterprises will aid the Tribe in achieving economic independence to promote the health, education and welfare of its Citizens.

C. Definitions

1. **“Commission”** shall mean “The Waganakising Odawa Economic Development Commission”.

SECTION II. CREATION OF THE COMMISSION

A. Creation

The Tribal Council hereby creates the Waganakising Odawa Economic Development Commission and it shall be composed of three (3) Commissioners.

SECTION III: DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

A. Duties

1. The Commission shall advocate for Community needs relating to economic development issues.

Economic Development Commission passed by Tribal Council on November 4, 2007

2. The Commission shall assist with communication to and from the Odawa Enterprise Management (OEM) and the Tribal Community and Tribal Citizens.
3. The Commission may provide advice from a Tribal Community perspective, in general, on economic development.
4. The Commission may hold public hearings to gather information from the Tribal Community and Citizens.
5. The Commission may provide advice to the Executive on Tribal Community and Citizens needs regarding economic development.
6. The Commission may share information regarding economic development projects and programs with the Tribal Community and Citizens.
7. The Commission shall assist the OEM in assessing economic development proposals brought to the Tribe from outside parties or entities, and from Tribal Citizens and entities, and present such assessments to the Tribal Council and Executive.
8. The Commission shall assist in developing proposals for Tribal enterprises and activities that will enhance the Tribal economy, or provide needed services, employment or training to Tribal Citizens, and present such proposals to the Tribal Council and the Executive.

SECTION IV. AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION

A. Authority

1. The Commission may gather and disseminate information.

SECTION V. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or portion of this Statute is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

Effective upon signature of the Executive or 30 days from Tribal Council approval which ever comes first or if the Executive vetoes the legislation, then upon Tribal Council override of the veto.

CERTIFICATION

As the Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Statute was duly passed by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on November 4, 2007 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 6 in favor, 3 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Fred Harrington, Jr.	_____	X _____	_____	_____
Melvin L. Kiogima	_____	X _____	_____	_____
Dexter McNamara	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Marvin Mulholland	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Shirley Oldman	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Gerald Chingwa	_____	X _____	_____	_____
Regina Gasco Bentley	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Beatrice A. Law	X _____	_____	_____	_____

Date: _____

Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader

Date: _____

Regina Gasco Bentley, Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on _____ by _____

Pursuant to Article VII, Section D, Subsection 1 of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution adopted on February 1, 2005 the Executive concurs in this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: _____

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairperson