## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

# AMONG THE INDIAN NATIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS,

## THE CITY OF TULSA,

#### AND

# THE OKLAHOMA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

Regarding the Disposition of 1907 North Cheyenne Avenue, Tulsa, Tulsa County, Oklahoma

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa intends to dispose of the single-family residence located at 1907 North Cheyenne Avenue and, in accordance with the Programmatic Agreement among the Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), the City of Tulsa (City), and the Indian Nations Council of Governments (INCOG), the INCOG's Qualified Staff Person has conducted an environmental review in accordance with 24 C.F.R. 58; and

**WHEREAS**, the undertaking consists of the sale of the property by the Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa to private ownership; and

WHEREAS, INCOG has defined the undertaking's area of potential effect (APE) as a section of Lot 17 and all of Lot 18 in Block 17 of the Oak Cliff Addition within the Reservoir Hill Historic District and within the boundaries of the Cherokee Nation; and

WHEREAS, INCOG has determined that the undertaking will have an adverse effect on the residence located at 1907 North Cheyenne Avenue, which is a Contributing Resource in the Reservoir Hill Historic District, which has been determined to be eligible for its inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places, and has consulted with the SHPO pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800, the regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. § 306108); and

WHEREAS, INCOG has consulted with the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer of the Cherokee Nation (THPO) to determine whether the site has any cultural or religious significance for the Cherokee Nation, and the THPO has declined to join the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) as the structure is not a known resource of the Cherokee Nation presently; and

WHEREAS, INCOG has consulted with the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation (MCN) to determine whether the project will impact any cultural sites or sites that hold religious significance to the MCN, as well as consideration for any implications of the decision in *McGirt v. Oklahoma*, and the MCN THPO has determined that the project is located outside of the MCN Reservation and MCN has chosen not to participate in the MOA; and

WHEREAS, INCOG has consulted with the Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa regarding the effects of the undertaking on this historic property and has invited it to sign this MOA; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(a)(1), INCOG has notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) of the determination of adverse effect with specified documentation and the ACHP has chosen not to participate in the consultation pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(a)(1)(iii);

**NOW, THEREFORE**, INCOG, the City, and the SHPO agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on the historic property.

## **STIPULATIONS**

INCOG shall ensure that the following measures are carried out:

## I. DOCUMENTATION

Prior to the transfer of ownership by the Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa, INCOG shall submit to the SHPO one (1) set of high-quality digital photographs. The set of photographs must contain enough images to illustrate the historic property clearly and include a minimum of two (2) exterior views. Photographs shall be submitted on a disk in accordance with the Photograph Policy of the National Register of Historic Places. The Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa shall not transfer ownership until INCOG receives written concurrence that the photographs are acceptable.

Within three (3) years of the date of execution of the MOA, INCOG shall provide a map with the identification of the Contributing Resources in the Reservoir Hill Historic District, including the identification of those Contributing Resources which have been lost due to demolition or which have been affected by the transfer of ownership of the Housing Authority of the City of Tulsa.

## **II. DURATION**

This MOA will expire if its terms are not carried out within three (3) years from the date of its execution. Prior to such time, INCOG may consult with the other signatories to reconsider the terms of the MOA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation V.

## **III. MONITORING AND REPORTING**

Each year following the execution of this MOA until it expires or is terminated, INCOG shall provide all parties to this MOA a report detailing the work undertaken pursuant to its terms. Such report shall include any proposals for the adjustment of the schedule, any problems encountered, and any disputes and objections received in INCOG's efforts to carry out the terms of this MOA.

# IV. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Should any signatory to this MOA object at any time to any actions proposed or the manner in which the terms of this MOA are implemented, INCOG shall consult with such party to resolve the objection. If INCOG determines that such objection cannot be resolved, INCOG will:

- A. Forward all documentation relevant to the dispute, including INCOG's proposed resolution, to the ACHP. The ACHP shall provide INCOG with its advice on the resolution of the objection within thirty (30) days of the receipt of adequate documentation. Prior to a final decision on the dispute, INCOG shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely advice or comments regarding the dispute from the ACHP and signatories and provide them with a copy of this written response. INCOG will then proceed according to its final decision.
- B. If the ACHP does not provide its advice regarding the dispute within thirty (30) days, INCOG may make a final decision on the dispute and proceed accordingly. Prior to its final decision, INCOG shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely comments regarding the dispute from the signatories to the MOA and provide them and the ACHP with a copy of such written response.
- C. INCOG's responsibility to carry out all other actions subject to the terms of this MOA that are not the subject of the dispute remain unchanged.

#### V. AMENDMENTS

This MOA may be amended when such an amendment is agreed to in writing by all signatories. The amendment will be effective on the date a copy signed by all signatories is filed with the ACHP.

#### VI. TERMINATION

If any signatory to this MOA determines that its terms will not or cannot be carried out, that party shall immediately consult with the other parties to attempt to develop an amendment per Stipulation V. If within thirty (30) days (or another period agreed to by all signatories) an amendment cannot be reached, any signatory may terminate the MOA upon written notification of the other signatories.

Once the MOA is terminated, INCOG must either (a) execute an MOA pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.6 or (b) request, take into account, and respond to the comments of the ACHP under 36 C.F.R. § 800.7. INCOG shall notify the signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.

Execution of this MOA by INCOG, the City, and the SHPO and implementation of its terms evidence that INCOG has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on the historic property and afforded the ACHP an opportunity to comment.

SIGNATORIES:	
CITY OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA	
G. T. Bynum, Mayor City of Tulsa	
AUG 2 5 2021	Date
ATTEST:  City Clerk	CA TOUSA ON
AUG 2 5 2021	_ Date
APPROVED:	
Sesli Myers Assistant City Attorney	
8/2/21	_ Date
INDIAN NATIONS COUNCIL OF GOV	VERNMENTS
Rich Brierre, Executive Director	-

6/28/2021

Date

OKLAHOMA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

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Trait Thompson, State Historic Pro	eservation Officer
7/12/21	Date
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE	CITY OF TULSA
Kent Keith, Vice-President - Cons	struction Services
7.1.21	Date