

## Amendment Process and Proposed Timeline

### 18.0 Amendment of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin

18.1 The Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin may be amended by following each of the steps in the process outlined below:

18.2 A request to amend to this Gchi-Naaknigewin may be made by:

18.2.1 A written request by Chief and Council; or

18.2.2 A written formal application signed by 125 Eligible Voters who are at least 18 years old; or,

18.2.3 By the governance committee appointed by Council after the committee conducts its review of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin every 3 to 5 years.

#### Governance Committee review:

- August 3, 2021, and August 17, 2021
- September 7, 2021, and September 21, 2021
- October 19, 2021

Governance Committee Motion 76-2021  
Lorraine Fox and Richard P.E. Peltier

That we accept the Gchi Naaknigewin review and give direction to Governance Unit staff to prepare and present the minutes and the proposed amendments of Gchi Naaknigewin to Ogimaa and Council.

18.3 The proposed amendment cannot be presented to Chief and Council until three months after Chief and Council are elected into office;

18.4 The proposed amendment of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin is first presented at a meeting of Chief and Council held at least 90 days before the amendment is to be decided by Chief and Council in a first reading when any Wiikwemkoong Anishinaabek in attendance was given a reasonable opportunity to ask any questions and voice any concerns on the proposed amendment.

#### First Reading, November 15, 2021

Band Council Motion 338-2021  
Sylvia Recollet and Joseph Wabegijig

That we accept the proposed amendments on the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory Gchi Naaknigewin as presented by the Governance Unit Manager, Nancy Kinoshameg and further that we continue the process that is stated in section 18.0 Amendment of the Gchi Naaknigewin.

18.5 At the first reading, the Chief or any Councillor may ask any question and voice any concerns on the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin.

18.6 The Chief and Council will determine after the first reading if any amendments to the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin are required or advisable.

18.7 Then the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin, as amended, if amended, is posted in a public place in the Administration / Band office of Wiikwemkoong.

posted December 21, 2021

18.8 Then the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin, as amended, if amended, is published in a community newsletter before it is decided upon by Chief and Council.

published December 20, 2021

18.9 The proposed amendment of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin, as amended, if amended, is presented to Chief and Council in a second reading, at least 30 days before the proposed amendment is to be decided by Chief and Council. At this second reading, the proposed amendment may, at Chief and Council's discretion, have been amended in accordance with the questions or concerns raised at the first reading.

**Second Reading**, January 24, 2022

Band Council Motion 34-2022

Joseph Wabegijig and Brian Peltier

That we accept the 2nd reading proposed amendments on the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory Gchi Naaknigewin as presented by the Governance Unit Manager, Nancy Kinoshameg and further that we continue the process that is stated in section 18.0 Amendment of the Gchi Naaknigewin.

Note: 1ST Reading November 15, 2021

18.10 At the second reading, as at the first reading, any Wiikwemkoong Anishinaabek present at the meeting may ask any question and voice any concerns about the proposed amendment of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin.

18.11 Chief and Council will determine after the second reading if any amendments to the proposed amendment of the Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin are required or advisable.

18.12 A meeting with Chief and Council is held to approve the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin and at least 75% + 1 Council votes in favor of the proposed amendment of this Wiikwemkoong Gchi-Naaknigewin to put the amendment to a vote by the Wiikwemkoong Anishinaabek.

**Decision**, scheduled for March 4, 2022

Notice of Referendum, to be posted May 16, 2022

18.13 The proposed amendment will be approved if 50% +1 of the accepted ballots in a referendum of Wiikwemkoong Anishinaabek are in favour of the proposed Gchi-Naaknigewin.

**Referendum**, scheduled for July 4, 2022

18.14 There will be no second vote in step 18.13.

*\* Dates subject to change*