

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THE SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF)
CHIPPEWA INDIANS,)
 Plaintiff,)
)
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 v.)
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DAVID L. BERNHARDT, in his official)
capacity as Secretary of the Interior, and)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE)
INTERIOR,)
 Defendants,)
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)
SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN TRIBE OF)
MICHIGAN; NOTTAWASEPPI HURON)
BAND OF THE POTAWATOMI; MGM)
GRAND DETROIT, L.L.C.; DETROIT)
ENTERTAINMENT, L.L.C.; GREEKTOWN)
CASINO, L.L.C.;)
 Intervenors.)
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Case No. 1:18-cv-2035

NOTICE

Plaintiff the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby gives notice that it is currently taking final steps to reconvey the “Lansing Parcel” to the City of Lansing at the City’s request. *See* Sault MSJ 17 n.7 (Dkt. 43); Sault Opp. 53 (Dkt. 56). Although the Tribe currently holds title to parts of the Lansing Parcel and although its Comprehensive Development Agreement with Lansing is not yet formally wound up, the Tribe expects the reconveyance to be finalized in the near future. As the Tribe has explained, the planned reconveyance of the Lansing Parcel does not affect the Tribe’s request in counts I and II of the Complaint for vacatur of the Trust Denial Order, which also rests on the Department’s refusal to take the Sibley Parcel into trust. *See* Sault MSJ 17 n.7; Sault Opp. 52-53. In light of these developments, however, the Tribe believes that its request in count III for an order compelling the Department to take the

Lansing Parcel into trust is effectively moot, and the Tribe accordingly limits its request for such relief to the “Sibley Parcel.”

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