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NATIONAL EMERGENCY

#### **COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

#### Rep. Tom O'Halleran visits Gila River Indian Community

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

Arizona Rep. Tom O'Halleran visited the Gila River Indian Community for an update on GRIC's pandemic response with Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis at the Governance Center on Oct. 14.

"We are remaining diligent in our fight against [COVID-19]," said Gov. Lewis.

The Community continued with priorities during the pandemic, such as the groundbreaking for Casa Blanca Community School and the litigation to push the 2020 Census deadline.

"[We] were the first community to have a mask requirement and stay at home order. The mask requirement and the stringent health orders have helped the Community combat the pandemic," said Gov. Lewis.

O'Halleran showed his support for GRIC's efforts to require masks across GRIC to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

"There is no better mechanism to keep people from getting sick, it's critical," said O'Halleran.

Gov. Lewis informed O'Halleran that GRIC's youth have played a big role in outreach

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Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis

to stay safe during the pandemic.

Gov. Lewis also detailed GRIC's online learning programs to prevent the spread of COVID-19 among students, teachers and staff.

Gov. Lewis issued an Executive Order to ensure distance learning guidelines.

"The protocols are so important, to open [these] schools without proper testing, social distancing and PPE, it's not a good situation," said O'Halleran.

He said the health of the students and school staff is important not just to themselves, but their families as well.

O'Halleran pointed out the importance of public health measures to prevent the risk of COVID-19 infection and seasonal



Rep. Tom O'Halleran meets with Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis on Oct. 14. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

influenza as temperatures decline.

Gov. Lewis also addressed federal aid for businesses, families and local governments across the nation, including tribal communities hardest hit by COVID-19.

O'Halleran said aid is critical during the pandemic, especially for at-risk populations and families in need of economic assistance while Gov. Lewis reported that GRIC continues to prepare members for the workforce.

"We are looking at ways we can provide job training and job mentoring through the end of the year and next year, because there are a number of Community members who need that training to find employment in these times," said Gov. Lewis.

O'Halleran agreed that job placement has been a priority during the pandemic.

"We've included into the HEROs Act money for that very explicit purpose," said O'Halleran.

#### Native artists complete mural inspired by Chief Azul in Sacaton



Miss Gila River Alyse Marrietta and Jr. Miss Gila River Sineca Jackson meet with visiting artists. From left, Marrietta, Votan Henriquez, Bunky Echo-Hawk and Jackson. Kyle Knox/GRIN

**Kyle Knox**Gila River Indian News

Renowned Native artist Bunky Echo-Hawk and Votan Henriquez created a mural of the late Chief Antonio Azul in Sacaton at the GRIC Youth Council Office starting on Oct. 29. The mural was completed in four days and features the surrounding mountains engulfed in a warm sunset sky, a historical image of Chief Azul, and text that

reads "Himdag."

Bunky Echo-Hawk, Yakama and Pawnee, chose Chief Azul as a way to acknowledge his leadership.

"The choices he [Azul] had to make at such a pivotal time, to look forward, and make decisions that would benefit and protect the people into future generations..." said Echo-Hawk.

The mural features a landscape that reflects the

traditional O'otham and Pee-Posh lands juxtaposed with an image of Chief Azul outlined in blue, which runs across the horizon of the mural and represents the Community's ties to water.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was present on Sunday, Nov. 1, calling the artwork important.

"It symbolizes where we've come from and where we're going," said Lewis who was impressed by the final design.

Echo-Hawk explained that the mural represents the Community and recognizes the past, current, and future leadership that will carry the Community forward while continuing to honor O'otham Himdag.

The mural was a mixed medium mural using spray paint and a wheat paste method for Chief Azul's image. Votan Henriquez, Mayan, and Nahuatl mastered the craft of wheat pasting and was integral in the process. Votan said, "We chose to make the print halftone, so it resembles comic book print giving Chief Azul a superhero look."

Throughout the four-day process, various Community youth contributed to the completion, including Michael White, District 5, and AOPPYC President Susanna Osife.

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November 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> 9 am - 1 pm & 5 pm - 7 pm



#### FLU VACCINE ONLY

#### **D5 SERVICE CENTER**

November 9<sup>th</sup> 8 am - 4 pm

#### **D3 HEADSTART**

**November 12**<sup>th</sup> *9 am - 5 pm* 

#### **VEE QUIVA**

November 13<sup>th</sup> 6 am - 3 pm

#### **D7 SERVICE CENTER**

**November 7**<sup>th</sup> *9 am - 2 pm* 

#### **D1 "THE ANNEX"**

**November 14**<sup>th</sup> *9 am - 2 pm* 

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**NOVEMBER 9, 2020** 



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#### Youth host virtual Boo Bash with costumes, contests and games

Gila River Indian News

The Akimel O'odham/ Pee-Posh Youth Council hosted a virtual Halloween "Boo Bash" for youth Friday, Oct. 30, featuring interactive games, storytelling and a costume contest. The youth celebrated Halloween festivities from home to promote safety precautions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

AOPPYC President Susanna Osife dressed as "Grandma Builds-The-Fire" from the movie "Smoke Signals."

"My favorite part of the Boo Bash was seeing our youth having fun. It really meant a lot that we were able to host a Halloween event for families," said Osife.

Over 25 people participated in the Boo Bash with many dressed in costumes to promote Halloween spirit. Of the 25, 12 participated in the costume contest and competed for prizes in four costume categories: cutest, scariest, DIY/most creative, and funniest.



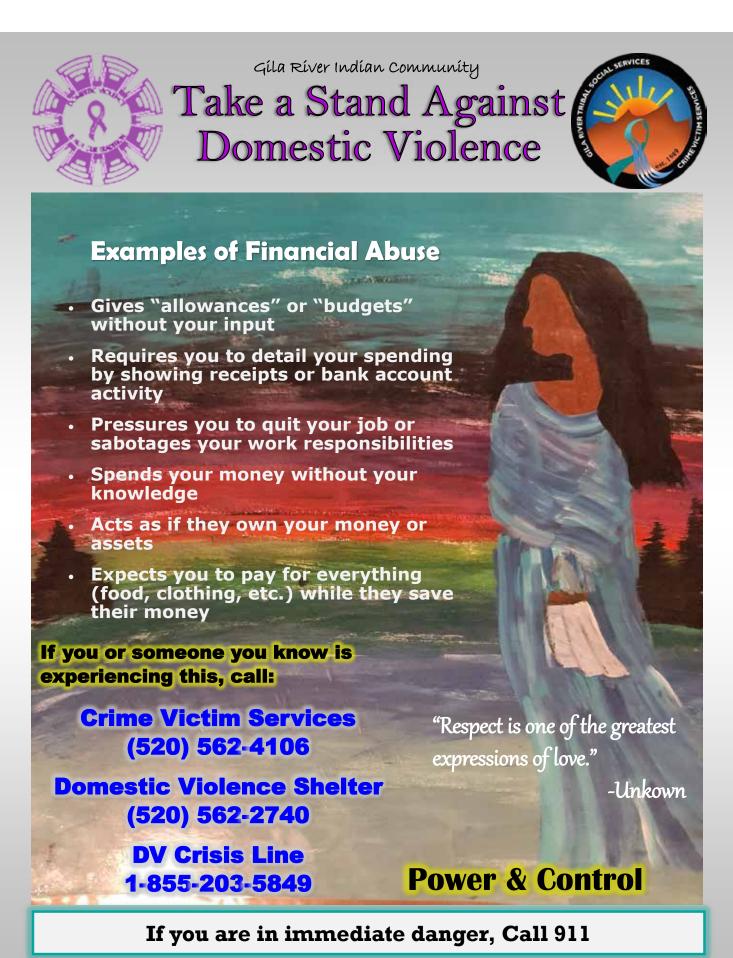
Youth and families participate in the virtual Boo Bash. AOPPYC Screenshot

Gila River Police Dept. Assistant Chief Deputy William Morago joined as a special guest to share the GRIC Halloween guidelines for everyone to follow

during trick or treating.

AOPPYC President Osife said. "the families were all engaged in the activities and what I enjoyed most was knowing

that we are doing this for our community and making sure everyone had a fun time with our community, safely."



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#### Congressman Gallego and others campaign for Biden-Harris in Sacaton



Rep. Ruben Gallego meets with GRIC members on Nov. 2. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

#### **Christopher Lomahquahu** Gila River Indian News

On the eve of state and presidential elections Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was joined by Congressman Gallego and Ruben Pinal County Board of Supervisors candidate April Loew who greeted Community members in the parking lot of the Gila River Market in Sacaton on Nov. 2. The visitors campaigned for former Vice-President Joe Biden and Sen. Kamala Harris, highlighting the importance of the Native American vote in Arizona.

"It just shows how important the Native vote is

here," said Lewis.

Gallego previously participated in the Census and Get Out the Vote Rally in September.

"The Native vote can swing this state," said Gallego of the significant Native American per capita population in Arizona.

Gov. Lewis outlined the important issues facing Native voters.

"All of the issues that are important to the Community like our healthcare, water, our lands. These are things that the next administration will have to address through the Bureau of

Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, Bureau of Land Management and Reclamation," said Gov. Lewis.

Gov. Lewis said advocating he's been increased Native representation in positions.

"It is important to have Native Americans throughout Administration and at the highest levels of the federal government," said Lewis.

Gallego and visitors handed out Biden-Harris signs while meeting with potential GRIC voters.



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## A'AGA

#### Something to be told or talked about

By Billy Allen

On a sunny 96° November day, I was wondering how Huhugam/ dealt Hohokam with water shortages and the changing climate. How did past cultures deal with climate change? Not much-mostly, they moved. But, thinking about how urgent the situation on Planet Earth is, hopefully we can curb the change. A "buzz word" during the election campaigns sustainability. Sustainability centers on meeting present needs

without hurting the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

My uncle who lived right next to us had tall palm trees in his yard and near our house we had pomegranate trees, both food sources. I remember tall cottonwood that lined the ends of Va'aki fields and made for some excellent bird hunting. Trees planted along fields kept the plowed soil from blowing away. Somehow some people got it in their heads to chop down the trees along the fields to improve the farming activities.

Makes sense, I guess? But, when I Google about ways to combat climate change, every single source I find says to plant trees.

Another suggestion to combat climate change is to use less stuff-reuse, reduce, recycle. My childhood home had a dairy, livestock, farm equipment—broken equipment or unused material was never thrown away. "It will come in handy one day." Might make your place look like the set for "Sanford and Son," but if it combats climate change, I'm all in.

When I was a kid, we

seldom went to "town" on a daily basis; it could wait for the weekend. It was also common practice if we saw someone walking on the road to offer a ride. "Jessie" would walk to Bapchule Traders before it was open, and if she timed it right, their first customer. I wondered why we didn't stop to offer her a ride, but I learned she always said no, and just kept on walking. Many elders said no. I guess they grew up walking, and they were going to go out walking. Google told me that we can combat climate change by taking less car trips. If we humans reduced car travel by 10 percent, it would help out our planet immensely. Environmental Protection Agency says we should plan and combine trips. Growing up, going to "town" was an all-day affair usually reserved for Saturdays. (The exception

was if a trailer/tractor tire

needed repair or a tractor part was needed.)

According to a Natural Resources Defense Council study. Americans throw away up to 40 percent of the food they buy! We can combat food waste by shopping for what you need with a list, eating leftovers, composting scraps for the garden, or donating excess to food banks. Reminiscing again – "slop"! Cattlemen need dogs and we had many. After the second goround of leftovers started to look and smell a bit suspicious, the leftovers became "slop." Huev was a Dalmatian with a head for working cattle, and he and his pals slurped up the slop, a tasty addition to their diet of gophers and rabbits. Never lost a dog due to what we fed them.

As noted above about food waste, composting helps cut down on "garbage," would help for home-made compost is

great for gardens. If more people gardened, they would get some exercise and perhaps cut down on trips to the store to buy food that just might go to waste anyway.

Sustainability is key for future generations. The pandemic highlighted we cannot isolate, we belong to Planet Earth. It was bad enough to be inside for seven months because of the weather but adding another month inside! Our people lived within their means and we should start thinking along those lines.

Some universities offer Sustainability Studies. Students learn how to make the smartest possible use of Earth's natural resources. Their range of study includes many fields such as science, humanities, ecology, architecture, anthropology, and more. I hope there are young GRICsters who are going after sustainability degrees.

Come on 11.11.2020-

**Military Honors and** 

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am

#### **MMIWG Zoom Panel**

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

The Arizona State University Indian Legal Program in partnership with the National Congress of American Indians held a Zoom panel discussion on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls on Oct. 20.

The panel discussed how House Bill 2570 and the study committee on MMIWG is creating awareness on the issue.

"We wanted to take a broader picture of what was going on with missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls," said Arizona Rep. Jennifer Jermaine.

Jermaine along with other state representatives introduced House Bill 2570, which Gov. Doug Ducey signed into law in 2019

Arizona Senator Sally Ann Gonzales discussed the obstacles for MMIWG cases prior to 2570.

"The resources were not available to the Indian communities at the time," said Gonzales, who noted the long history of cold cases in tribal areas and the high percentage of Indigenous women who have experienced violence in their lifetime.

She added that a lack of manpower and funding are issues, that hinder most tribal communities' efforts to search for missing members.

"Not enough dollars are the issue, which goes hand-in-hand with the lack of manpower to search for missing and murdered Indigenous people," said Gonzales.

A study committee

was created from the passing of HB 2570, which highlighted significant statistics on the mortality rate of Indigenous women at the hands of an abuser.

"The purpose of the missing and murdered Indigenous study committee is to address the horrific on-going violence that continue to be committed on Native American women and girls," said Senator Victoria Steele, Representative for Arizona Legislative District 9.

Steele said the lack of awareness and attention on the issue presents a challenge to garnering support for MMIWG, which rose to 506 victims of violent crimes and 71 cities across the U.S., according to a 2018 Urban Indian Health Institute report.

Jermaine said the 2570 study committee remains active.

"Our big overarching goals were to partner with our Tribal and Urban Indigenous communities to ensure that we were approaching the subject in a culturally competent way that would not cause further harm to the survivors or infringe upon tribal sovereignty."

Jermaine said at a legislative meeting, a presentation was made highlighting the importance of the committees' data and the partnership with ASU's ILP and the Research and Victimization lab for years to come.

She said, "We are really excited to debut this research, but this is only the beginning."

## VETERAN'S DAY 2020 VIRTUAL WALK/RUN

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## NOVEMBER 2020

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#### **NEW NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES**

- ⇒ Tues/Thurs Morning Grind Fitness Class starts 11/10
- ⇒ Round Table Discussion #2 November 20th
- 21 Miles to 2021 Registration Opens 11/30
- ⇒ Covid Can't Weigh Me Down Challenge Reg. opens 11/13
- NEW Healthy Choices Trivia every Wednesday 12pm to 12:30pm
- NEW LIVE Sports Trivia w/ Kahoot every Thursday @ 6PM

#### The Turkey Burner Workout

Warm Up (30 seconds each)

Jumping Jacks, Bodyweight Squats, Mountain Clumbers, Glute Bridges

BLOCK ONE BLOCK TWO BLOCK THREE

Jump Squats 5X Single Leg Deadlift 8X Glute Bridge 10X

Push-ups 10X Bent over "Y"s 10X Front Planks 20 seconds

Bodyweight squats 10X Hand walks 30 seconds

--- REPEAT EACH BLOCK TWO TIMES --- By Coach Ryan

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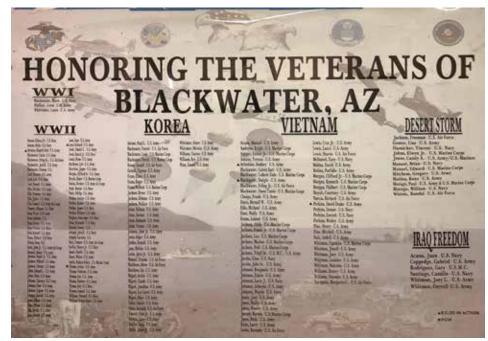


#### Happy Veterans Day from the VFSO and the Huhugam Heritage Center

From the Veterans and Families Services Office & the Huhugam Heritage center, We want to wish our Veterans and active duty family and friends a safe Veteran's Day our thoughts prayers and gratitude are always with you. And our deepest honor for those that have served and passed.

Adjacent plaques are located in District 1, District 4, District 7- God bless those that took the time to memorialize our Veterans living and deceased in these.







#### Miss Indian Arizona Association Crowns Miss Indian Arizona, former Miss Gila River is 1st Attendant

Kyle Knox

Gila River Indian News

On Saturday, Oct. 10, the Miss Indian Arizona Association held a virtual ceremony crowning Amy Spotted Wolf, Tohono O'odham Nation, as the 59th Annual Miss Indian Arizona (MIA) for 2020-2021 and former Miss Gila River Autumn Cooper as 1st Attendant. The Tohono O'odham Cultural Center and Museum hosted the

MIA Association for the crowning.

Due to COVID-19, this year's MIA drew from the past year's court and allowed for an official transition to occur and new MIA crowned.

Miss Indian Arizona Association Executive Director Denise Homer said, "The decision as to who would be crowned Miss Indian Arizona 2020-2021 was made by the Miss Indian Arizona Association

MIA Association for the (MIAA) membership."

The association offered the 2019-2020 court to serve another year and Amy and Autumn agreed, however, Miss Indian Arizona Audrianna Mitchell declined.

Homer further stated, "The logical decision as to who would be crowned MIA was that since Amy was 1st Attendant she should assume the role of Miss Indian Arizona, 2020-2021 and Autumn would become 1st Attendant to Miss Indian Arizona, 2020-2021."

Though the program is drastically different, the MIA court remains motivated.

Spotted Wolf said, "I am so excited and extremely honored to have the opportunity to be Miss Indian Arizona. Although we are in a challenging time, I am excited because we have the opportunity to experiment with how tribal royalty can still interact with the public and uphold important platforms that we want to share."

MIA 1st Attendant Autumn Cooper shared similar sentiments.

"I feel honored to be representing not only the Gila River Indian Community but all 22 tribes in the state of Arizona for another year," she said.

During this year's

reign, both will be holding virtual events and are developing interactive ways to engage audiences from all around the state and Indian Country.

Spotted Wolf said, "The Miss Indian Arizona Court would love to reach and connect with as many people as we can, so please follow Miss Indian

Arizona on Facebook and on Instagram by searching Miss Indian Arizona to stay updated on what we have planned for this year."

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**



Effective November 2, 2020 the Enrollment/Census Department will be accepting new enrollment applications by appointment only.

Please contact the department at (520) 562-9790 to schedule an appointment.



Miss Indian Arizona Amy Spotted Wolf and 1st Attendant Autumn Cooper. Miss Indian Arizona Association, Photo by Michael Schoof

#### Akimel O'odham/Pee Posh Youth Council swears in members

Kyle Knox

Gila River Indian News

On Sat Oct. 17, the Akimel O'odham/Pee-Posh Youth Council (AOPPYC) gathered with friends and families over Zoom to conduct their 33rd AOPPYC Inauguration. The inauguration acknowledged the previous council's accomplishments and swore in new members and executive officers.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis recognized the AOPPYC's work during the pandemic in his opening remarks.

"I'm so proud of you all for your accomplishments

during this time, by continuing to support our youth through interactive activities that are keeping us strong and safe during this time."

He continued with encouraging words for the entire council as they will be serving during one of the most "critical times" in GRIC's history.

Judge Jay Pedro presided over the virtual swearing-in ceremony with youth accompanied by family members to witness the oath of office.

Entering its 33rd year, the new Executive Officers are Susanna Osife.



President; Junior Pancott, Vice-President; Ariana Blackwater. Secretary;

and Jasmine Elizarraraz, Treasurer.

> Eliana Antone,



District 6 Representative, said, "This was my first swearing-in ceremony, although it was not inperson like I'd hoped it to be, it was still something I was really excited about."

The 33rd AOPPYC president, Susanna Osife, District 2, looks forward to her role this year and understands the nature of going virtual with AOPPYC activities.

"The change has created a way for us to continue and not stop, it's given us a way of seeing things differently and learning to take another approach. Many things have changed but didn't, because our youth past and present will always have the drive to serve our community," said Osife.

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone

shared encouraging words during the closing remarks.

"In the future, some of you will be our leaders, and I encourage you all to continue to learn and protect our language, songs, and Himdag because it's the foundation of our sovereignty," said Lt. Gov. Stone.

New members are excited and look forward to what the next year will bring, despite serving during a pandemic. Newly sworn-in Javonni Molina, District 3, At-Large Rep, said, "I look forward to successfully advocating for youth. I want to and make new memories with these amazing individuals. We will create some historymaking events even though we're living in a pandemic."



Youth and guests during the 33rd AOPPYC Inauguration. AOPPYC Screenshot

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prepare accurate reports in a timely

- Ability to multi-task in a fast-paced, high-demand work environment.

- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with Community Officials, Community Department/entities, and Community Members and the public.

- Ability to understand the provisions of the Gila River Indian Community Constitution, Ordinances, and Resolutions as they relate to PLFC functions.

- Demonstrates good judgment, loyalty, and integrity. Ability to grasp PLFC's short and

long term priorities and develop systems, processes and policies to support the achievement of them in a cost effective manner. - Skill with computers and related

software including MS Windows, Office, Excel, PowerPoint Outlook and Quickbooks - Maintains professional and technical

knowledge by attending educational workshops; reviewing professional publications; establishing personal networks; participating in professional societies.

Education & Experience · Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Business Administration or related field and a minimum of two to five (2 to 5) years' experience with public or government accounting,training development or a combination of education, training and work experience

whichdemonstrates the ability to perform the duties of this position.

· CPA or CMA is highly preferred Required Math Ability

Ability to work with mathematical concepts and to apply concepts such as fractions, percentages, ratios and proportions to practical business situations. Ability to calculate figures and amountssuch as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions. Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand for an entire shift/extended period of time; walk; use hand and fingers to handle, and feel; reach with hands and arms; talk and hear; and drive a motor vehicle. The employee occasionally is required to sit; bend, climb, stoop, lift, carry, push or kneel. The employee must regularly lift and/or move 10 pounds, and occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Working Conditions

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Work is generally performed indoors and the employee in this position is normally exposed to a moderate noise level.

Must acknowledge and agree to maintain a Drug-free Work Place as a condition of employment. Agree to a background check for employment purposes. Preference in filling vacancies is given to qualified Indian candidates in accordance with the Indian Preference Act (Title 25, U.S. Code, Section 472 and 473).

Preference is given to qualified enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community.

The Gila River Indian Community is also committed to achieving the full and equal opportunity without discrimination because of Race, Religion, Color, Sex, National Origin, Politics, Marital Status, Physical Handicap, Age or Sexual Orientation. In other than theabove, the Gila River Indian Community is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Resume maybe emailed to: info@thepIf



#### Tribal Social Services maintains fun Halloween spirit amid pandemic

**Emma Hughes** 

Gila River Indian News

**Tribal Social Services** creative during Halloween with fun and safe activities for youth.

"We focused on having an internal event as the kids were unable to

go out," said Trina Hart, youth had some fun. Tribal Social Services Director.

COVID-19 and the Gila River Indian Community's stay-athome order still in effect this Halloween season, staff worked to ensure the

Villalobos. Alex Coordinator Training Due to the current and Brooke Hanna, pandemic Recreation Coordinator, formed a small committee and planned three days of Halloween festivities for the staff and youth. Beginning on Thursday,

Oct. 29, the Residential Program for Youth had trick-or-treating for those residing at the facility.

Tribal Social Services staff participated in a Halloween door decorating contest with group and individual winners. Prizes included

gift cards and pizza breakfast parties. and The youth visited the decorated staff doors for treats and had the option to walk through a haunted house put together by the

Friday, Oct. 30 was night of Halloween

movies and on Saturday, Oct. 31, Halloween night, the staff and youth enjoyed storytelling and s'mores.

"The kids were excited by each event, especially since they were not able to leave," said

#### GROUP CATEGORY

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

CPS



DV SHELTER



3RD PLACE GIRLS HOUSE

RPY



#### INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY

1ST PLACE DANIEL KUHSE CASE MANAGER



2ND PLACE JACQUELYN TSO

YOUTH SERVICES

COORDINATOR

JACLYN FOX CASE MANAGER SUPERVISOR



#### **COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS**

#### Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • Oct. 7 & Oct. 21

**ACTION SHEET** 

Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9720

CALL TO ORDER

The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 2020, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:10 a.m. INVOCATION

Provided by Ms. Connie Jackson

ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Robert Stone Council Members Present:

D1-Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Avery White, Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Jennifer Allison, Delmar Jones, Regina Antone-Smith; D5-James De La Rosa, Marlin Dixon; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr. (12:18), Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent: D5-Thomas White, Vacant APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT RE-PORTS #1 THROUGH #5 AND #9 THROUGH #11; ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1 THROUGH #7 AND #9 THROUGH #41 AND NEW BUSINESS #2 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION OF NEW BUSINESS #3 GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS TURNED THE CHAIR OVER TO LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction – Teresa Mandelin, Executive Director of the Pima Leasing & Financing Corporation Presenters: Teresa Mandelin

MS. TERESA MANDELIN PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND LT. GOVERNOR EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME.

2. Introduction Of Angel Marquez, Coolidge High School Student Recipient Of Outstanding American Indian High School - Exemplary Student Award Presenters: Jerry Curley, Angel Marquez

MR. JERRY CURLEY INTRODUCED MR. ANGEL MARQUEZ AND PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW AND HIS CREDENTIALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AWARD NOMINATION. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND LT. GOVERNOR EXPRESSED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

**REPORTS** 

\*1. Casa Blanca Community School Qtr 3 Tribal Allocation Report SY19-20

Presenter: Lillian Kim Franklin

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

\*2. St. Peter Indian Mission School Qtr 3 Tribal Allocation Report SY19-20

Presenter: Sister Martha Mary Carpenter ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. Pee-Posh FY 2020 3rd Quarter Budget Report Presenter: Arnie Bread, Sr.

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. Four Rivers Indian Legal Services FY 2020 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Diana Lopez-Jones

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. Community Technology Center 2019/2020 2nd & 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Connie Jackson

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. COVID - 19 Update

Presenters: Bruce Harvey, Candalerian Preston, Laurie Thomas, June Shorthair, Dr. Anthony Santi-

**REPORT HEARD** 

7. Tribal Social Services Assessment Report (TSS, RPY, DVS, CVS)

Presenter: Trina M. Hart REPORT HEARD

8. Gila River Indian Community Text-To-911 Presen-

ation

Presenter: Teresa Villescaz

REPORT HEARD

>9. Head Start Self-Assessment FY2020 Report

Presenter: Carolina Kelley

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA >10. Head Start Monthly Report-July 2020

Presenter: Carolina Kellev

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA >11. Head Start Monthly Report-June 2020

Presenter: Carolina Kelley

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXEC-UTIVE SESSION

12. Gila River Gaming Commission Department Report to the Community Council August 2020 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Dale Enos, Melvin Sanderson REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report for August 2020 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Översight & Planning Committee

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXEC-UTIVE SESSION RESOLUTIONS

\*1. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And BOKF, NA For Fiscal Year 2020 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and for consideration to add to the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Franzoy Consulting, Inc. For Fiscal Year 2021 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Gookin Engineers, LTD For Fiscal Year 2021 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Keller-Bliesner Engineering, LLC For Fiscal Year 2021 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Peter Mock Groundwater Consulting, Inc. For Fiscal Year 2021 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving A Master Affiliation Agreement For Student Placement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Arizona State University (ESC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC and G&MSC concur)

Presenters: Naomi Bebo, Isaac Salcido ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving A Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Inter Tribal Council Of Arizona, Inc. And The Gila River Indian Community Through The Community Services Department To Fund The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program For Women, Infants And Children (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC concurs)

Presenter: Mary Dixon

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

8. A Resolution Approving Amendment No. 6 To Section VII Of The Gila River Indian Community's "Employee Policies And Procedures Reference Guide" To Add The "Electronic Submittal Policy", To Be Placed In Section III Of The Management Information System Department's "Information Technology Policy" (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Chris Cabanillas

**APPROVED** 

>9. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For The Casa Grande Community Services Department Dorothy Powell Senior Center Home Delivered Meals Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For Pinal Hispanic Council Cesar E. Chavez Scholarships (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For The Casa Grande Police Department Motorcycle Replacement Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Maricopa County Department Of Transportation For Hunt Highway – Old Price Road To Dobson Road Improvement Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Bridging AZ Furniture Bank Veterans Furniture Project Expansion (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>14. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Arizona YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix Own It Financial Edu-

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cation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>15. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Ryan House End-Of-Life Services For Children (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Buckeye Valley Rural Volunteer Fire District Replacement Wildland Engine (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Daisy Mountain Fire And Medical Rapid Extrication Module Support Apparatus (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>18. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Carefree Fire Department SCBA Replacement Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Assistance League Of Phoenix Operation School Bell (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>20. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Foundation For Senior Living Nutrition Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Circle The City Medical Respite Care Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Homeward Bound Workforce Development Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Fresh Start Women's Foundation Upward Mobility Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Honorhealth Foundation Forensic Nurse Examiners Training Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>25. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Educare Arizona Child Development Associate Certificate Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>26. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Southern Arizona Association For The Visually Impaired Reaching Empowerment Through Achievement And Learning (R.E.A.L.) Program For Blind Children (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>27. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For St. Joseph The Worker Employment Without Barriers Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>28. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Las Brisas PTO Chromebook Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>29. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For The Opportunity Tree Youth Transitions Program For Children With Developmental And Intellectual Disabilities (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For The Office Of Diversity And Inclusion Mayor's Committee On Employment Of People With Disabilities Scholarship Awards Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>31. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Leukemia And Lymphoma Society Local Travel Assistance Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

**AGENDA** 

>32. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For Hunkapi Programs, Inc. Programs For Domestic Violence And ALS Patients (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>33. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Stand For Children Leadership Center Every Child Reads Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>34. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Southwest Autism Research And Resource Center Intensive Parent Training And Community Outreach Programs (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>35. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Ronald McDonald House Charities Of Central And Northern Arizona, Inc. (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>36. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For New Pathways For Youth Mentor Program Expansion Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>37. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Phoenix Human Services Department Family Advocacy Center Crime Victim Assistance (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>38. A Resolution Granting A Permanent Irrigation Easement To The United States Of America For The Mar 6B Site On Community Trust Land Located Within The Exterior Boundary Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: David DeJong

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>39. A Resolution Amending GR-127-19 The 2019 Enrollment/Census Department Policies And Procedures (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and Placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>40. A Resolution Approving The Tribal Education Department's Trademark And Copyright Proposal For The Gila River Indian Community's Growing Readers & Developing Leaders Program And Ap-

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proving the Application And Submittal For Trademark And Copyright Protections (ESC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; CRSC concurs)

Presenters: Naomi Bebo, Isaac Salcido

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>41. A Resolution Amending Resolution GR-158-06 And Approving The Amended And Restated Articles Of Incorporation Of The Gila Local Exchange Carrier, Inc. (EDSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Jim Meyers, GRTI Board

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**ORDINANCES** 

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Amends The 2017 Membership Ordinance Of The Gila River Indian Community To Permit Alternative Methods To Submit Membership Applications And Relinquishment Documents (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval) Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**NEW BUSINESS** 

LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE CALLED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ENTERTAIN NEW BUSINESS #3 PRIOR TO NEW BUSINESS #1 [LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 12:25 P.M.]

[ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]

Councilwoman Monica Antone withdrew her recusal from the item

3. Letter of Concern – GRIC Elections 2020

Presenter: David Anderson

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO FORWARD TO THE LEGISLATIVE STANDING

1. Certification Of The Gila River Indian Community 2020 Primary & Special District Five Community Council Election Results (LSC forwards to Council to certify the two highest vote count candidates Carolyn K. Thompson and Monica L. Antone for the Office of Lt. Governor) (LSC forwards to Council to certify Brian E. Davis, Sr. for the Special District Five Community Council Election)

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

L [ADDENDLIM TO AGENDA]

AN E. DAVIS, SR.

[ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]
3. Election Letter of Concern

Presenter: David Anderson

Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

ITEM HEARD PRIOR TO NEW BUSINESS #1 MINUTES

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY CAR-

OLYN K. THOMPSON AND MONICA L. ANTONE

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY BRI-

2. Enrollment Department Request To Change En-

rollment Processes (LSC forwards to Council under

New Business with a recommendation for Approval

and placement on the consent agenda)

1. September 16, 2020 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

2. September 24, 2020 (Special)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:12 P.M.

\* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

#### **ACTION SHEET**

Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729 CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 2020, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:03 a.m.

**INVOCATION** 

Provided by Councilwoman Monica Antone ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Robert Stone Council Members Present:

D1-Joey Whitman (9:35), Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Avery White, Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Jennifer Allison, Delmar Jones, Regina Antone-Smith; D5-James De La Rosa, Marlin Dixon, Brian Davis.

Sr., Thomas White; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #1 THROUGH #5; ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1 THROUGH #25 AND #27 THROUGH #29 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS PRESENTED

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER

\*District 5 – Brian E. Davis, Sr.

Chief Judge Joseph Manuel

CHIEF JUDGE JOSEPH MANUEL PROVIDED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO MR. BRIAN DAVIS, SR. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME.

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 9:43 A.M.]

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction Of Desert Hills High School

Presenter: Dave Miller

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE
REPORTS
>1. Blackwater Community School Annual Report

SY2019-2020 Presenter: Jagdish Sharma

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. Sacaton Elementary School Annual Report For SY2019-2020

Presenter: Wanda Burton

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. Sacaton Middle School Annual Report SY2019-2020

Presenter: Dr. Cheryl Paul

Presenter: Nadine Shelde

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. Casa Blanca Community School Annual Report SY2019-2020

Presenter: Lillian Kim Franklin

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. Gila Crossing Community School Annual Report SY2019-2020

Presenter: Jim Mosley

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. COVID - 19 Update

Presenters: Bruce Harvey, Candalerian Preston, Laurie Thomas, June Shorthair, Dr. Anthony Santiago, Chief Timothy Chavez

REPORT HEARD

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. FY20 Monthly Financial Activity Report Ending August 31, 2020 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Treasurer Mentee Suzanne Jones

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
RESOLUTIONS

>1. A Resolution Authorizing The Tribal Social Services Department Of The Gila River Indian Community To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Department Of Health And Human Services, Administration On Children, Youth And Families, Children's Bureau Title IV-B Sub-Part I And II Promoting Safe And Stable Families (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC concurs)

Presenter: Trina Hart

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Apache Junction For The Apache Junction Police Department Emergency Communications Equipment (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Florence For The Florence Fire Department Mobile Data Computers (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Florence For The Pinal County Historical Society Fire And Burglar Alarm Upgrade (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For Family Assistance Programming (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For Furnishing Dignity (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Gene Lewis Boxing Club And Youth Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Mesa Veterans Resource Center / Mesa United Way (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>9. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Pinal County Medical Forensic Services Vehicle (G&MSC forwards to Coun-

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cil with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGEND

>10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For The Tempe Strategic Management And Diversity Office ADA Transit Wayfinding Project Phase II (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For Tempe Community Services Dennis J. Cahill Senior Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For Hart Pantry For Food And Food Storage (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Chandler For Chandler Gilbert Arc Reading Assistance Pens (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>14. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Cochise County For The Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Handheld Radios (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

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>15. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Coolidge For Coolidge Fire Department PPE Storage (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Chervl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Gila County For The Hellsgate Fire District Critical Breathing Air Compressor Project (G&M-SC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Gilbert For One Small Step, Inc. Back To Work And Work Preparedness Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>18. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Maricopa For The Maricopa Police Department Maricopa Family Advocacy Center Healthcare Services (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Pinetop-Lakeside For The Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department Mobile Data Computers (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>20. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For Jobs For Arizona's Graduates Career And College Readiness Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For The Maricopa County Community College District Foundation Student Emergency Assistance Fund (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For Treasures 4 Teachers (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tolleson For The Tolleson Fire Department Wildland Apparatus Acquisition (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>24. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Termination Of Per Capita Trust Accounts And Directing The Distribution Of Trust Assets To Certain Beneficiaries (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert Keller

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>25. A Resolution Declaring Intention To Reimburse Certain Expenditures With Borrowing Proceeds For The New Police Department Facility (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; LSC concurs) Presenters: Casaundra Wallace, Treasurer Robert Keller

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

26. A Resolution Approving Waiver Of Compensation And Right-Of-Way Application To Facilitate Extension Of Sundust Road At Lone Butte Development Park (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval, NRSC and EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Christina Waquie, Esther Manuel APPROVED

>27. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving Amendment #1 Of The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Inter Tribal Council Of Arizona, Inc. And The Gila River Indian Community Through The Tribal Health Department To Receive Grant Funds Through The Good Health And Wellness In Indian Country Grant (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; H&SSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval with corrections)

Presenters: Candalerian Preston, Nicole Watson ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>28. A Resolution Approving The Sixth Amendment To Business Lease BL00102007 A Lease Between Certain Allotted Landowners Of Land Within The Gila River Indian Reservation The Gila River Indian Community, And Pecos & 40th St.-Zenith #2, LLC, And Approving The Third Amendment To Substitute Lease NO. SL01102007 And The First Amendment To Substitute Lease NO. SL02102007, And Approving Substitute Business Lease Numbers SL03102007, SL04102007 And SL05102007, And The Assignment Of Substitute Lease Numbers SL03102007, SL04102007 And SL05102007, And Further Assignment Of Substitute Lease Number SL05102007, And Approving The First Amendment To Development Agreement, And Approving The Declaration Of Easement, Covenants, And Restrictions For The Broadacres Development (NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Ronald N. Rosier, Denten Robinson, Matt LaChappa, Patricia Stone

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>29. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving A Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Inter Tribal Council Of Arizona, Inc. And The Gila River Indian Community For "COVID-19" Supplemental Funding (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; LSC concurs)

Presenter: Bruce Harvey

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ORDINANCES

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

Gila River Sand & Gravel Board of Director's Two
 Appointments

Presenters: Community Council

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT MR. DONALD ANTONE, SR. AND MS. KARIN JACKSON NEW BUSINESS

1. Children's Court Judge Declaration of One (1) Vacancy

Presenters: Community Council

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE SUB-JECT TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

2. Blackwater Community School CARES ACT And Other Covid Funding (ESC forwards to Council under New Business as FYI with corrections and placement under the consent agenda)

Presenter: Jagdish Sharma

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT NEW BUSINESS #2 AND #3 AS FYI

3. Gila Crossing Community School GEER And CARES Act Spending Plans (ESC forwards to Council under New Business as FYI and placement under the consent agenda)

Presenter: Jim Mosley

ACCEPTED AT NEW BUSINESS #2

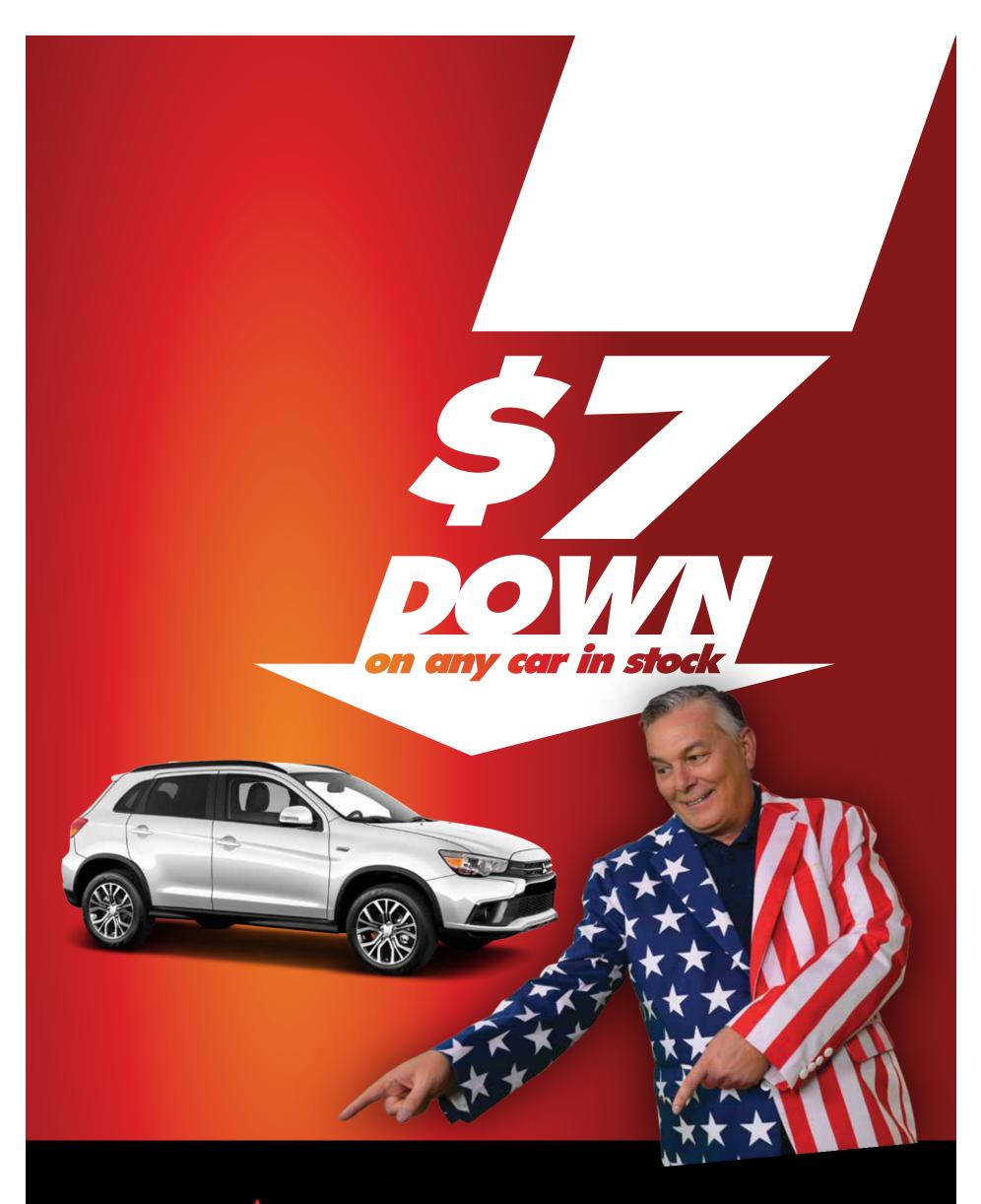
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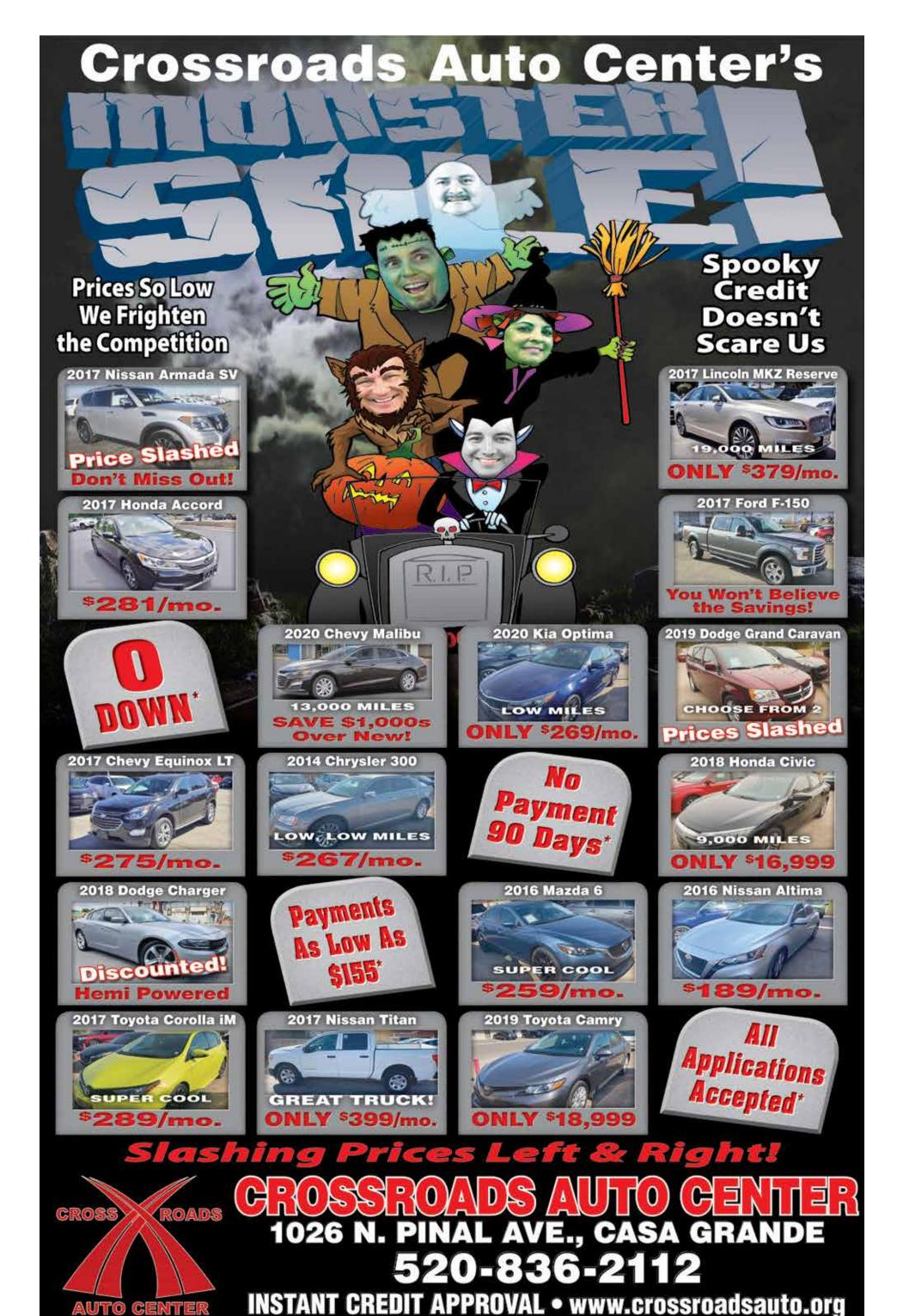
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