



162 Years of Courage and Memory

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MARICOPA COLONY, Ariz. — The Gila River Indian Community celebrated the 162nd Annual Mustering-In Day on Sept. 10 in District 7, honoring Arizona's first National Guard units led by Chief Antonio Azul and Chief Juan Chavarria.

The day began with the lowering of the colors to half-staff and a community run/walk, followed by a parade featuring floats from local organizations and schools. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis delivered opening remarks, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem.

Festivities included a water-slide, watermelon eating contest, elder bingo, and a food scramble. DJ entertainment was provided by Midnight Run, with live music from Waila Express. Lunch was catered by Zupa's, and the celebration concluded with fire-

works show.

Parade participants included the Pee Posh Veterans Association, Blackwater Community School Junior Marines Color Guard, Haskell Osife Antone Women's Auxiliary Unit 51, Ira H. Hayes Post 84, Grand Marshal Damon Sanderson, the Executive Office of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Skyline High School Basket Dancers, GRIC Royalty, GRTI, GRBC, and O'otham Singers and Basket Dancers. The parade featured multilingual presentations in English, Pee Posh and O'otham.

Parade winners:

- First place: Blackwater Community School Junior Marines Color Guard
- Second place: Skyline High School Basket Dancers
- Third place: Gila Crossing Community School staff and PTO.

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2025 National Tribal Health Conference



David Reede, San Carlos Apache DHHS Executive Director; Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis; and Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation President Sandra Pattea on the conference panel. Jeston Morris/GRIN

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PHOENIX — The 2025 National Tribal Health Conference (NTHC) hosted plenary sessions and panel discussions Sept. 9 at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass. The conference theme was "Culture Is Medicine and Community Is Healing," and the week-long event drew record attendance.

The conference opened with a prayer, posting of colors, and remarks from plenary speakers. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis welcomed attendees, followed by A.C. Locklear, CEO of the National Indian Health Board, who provided an update. Caprice Knapp, acting director of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, delivered a health care briefing.

Gov. Lewis' Welcome Remarks

"In tribal health care, there is much work to be done, and we have to be flexible," Gov. Lewis said. "Remember, our current care system grew out of the Department of War, which existed for a century and a half. In the late 1940s, it became the Department of Defense. We turned a health care system that was forced upon Native Americans into one that is tribally driven and based on tribal sovereignty."

Lewis emphasized the importance of culturally relevant care and unity among tribal nations.

"If we all stand together, lift each other up, and share our

model of success, never forgetting where we came from, all tribes will be able to adapt to any changes that come," he said.

He welcomed attendees to the Gila River Indian Community and expressed gratitude to tribal health care leaders, veterans, and the Ira Hayes Post 84 Color Guard.

"Please enjoy our hospitality and amenities. God bless all of you. Thank you," Gov. Lewis said.

Culturally Responsive Care Panel Mark Cruz, senior advisor to the secretary of Health and Human Services, moderated the panel, which included Lewis; Sandra Pattea, president of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation; Walter Murillo, CEO of Native Health; and David Reede, executive director of the San Carlos Apache Tribe's Department of Health and Human Services. "This morning, we are joined by leaders whose work reminds us that health is not only about treating illness, but also about honoring traditions, preserving language, and carrying forward ancestral wisdom," Cruz said.

He asked panelists how their nations' cultural values shape their vision for health care.

Pattea spoke about the significance of sunrise dances in her community.

"It's a traditional dance that Apache and Yavapai have. The sunrise dance is a staple for our tribe," she said.

Lewis reflected on the Gila River Indian Community's connection to the river and the impact of historical trauma.

"Our water was stolen from

us over 150 years ago. That cycle of inter-generational trauma, of surviving and trying to thrive, is part of our incredible history," he said. "You can see that in the evolution of Gila River Health-care."

Reede emphasized the importance of community-based wellness.

"My father used to say, 'If you go to the ER, you're not going to get well.' Wellness comes from within the community," he said. "Our Izee' Baa Gowah is the medicine house."

Murillo discussed the role of urban Indian health programs and the legacy of community activism.

"These programs started in the 1960s and '70s because health care and cultural awareness weren't being provided in urban cities," he said. "Community activists founded nonprofit Native-oriented centers like ours to address advocacy. That spirit remains." Lewis concluded by reaffirming the role of tribal sovereignty in health care. "Native American health care is an innate trust treaty responsibility. As tribal nations, we must ensure the federal government fulfills its obligation," he said.

Cruz closed the panel by thanking participants.

"You've shown that integrating cultural values into health care is not just about honoring our past—it's about building a healthier, stronger future for generations to come," he said.



The Pee Posh Veterans Association participated in the parade. Jeston Morris/GRIN

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PXU Governing Board Reaffirms the Land Acknowledgement



Students from the Phoenix Union High School District present at the Central Educational Excellence in support to keep, retain and reaffirm the land acknowledge statement at the PXU Governing Board. Jeston Morris/GRIN

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PHOENIX – On Sept. 4, the Phoenix Union High School District’s Governing Board met at the Center for Educational Excellence (CEE) to consider whether to retain or remove land acknowledgement from its school board meetings.

The public filled CEE, and the event was streamed live. Members of the public were given up to two minutes each to address the board. The Governing Board includes President Ceyshe Napa, Clerk Signa Oliver, and members Aaron Marquez, Francisco Pastor-Rivera, Jeremiah Cota, Debbie Cross, and Lizette Mier. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis also attended the board meeting.

According to the Arizona Independent News Network, board member Cota, argued that the land acknowledge was a religious ritual and a prayer, and had no place in board meetings. It does not add to the students’ academic performance. In August, Cota refused to read the land acknowledgement statement and instead he recited the Lord’s Prayer. He

was ruled out of order by Board President Napa.

The land acknowledgement statement has significant support from the public. More than two dozen individuals spoke in favor of keeping the land acknowledgement as part of the PXU’s school system.

“The land acknowledgement is a formal statement that recognizes the original caretakers of the land. It also officializes the commitment to Native American Education that prioritizes student achievement. Land acknowledgement is not religious, but rather it’s historical facts about the land,” said a Tamira John, a PXU high school senior. “We are an inter-tribal council of Indigenous high school students. We are making a statement to the governing board regarding the removal of the land acknowledgement. It recognizes that the Indigenous peoples are the original caretakers of Turtle Island, and it has a rich, complex, and devastating history vis-à-vis the Indigenous peoples and the United States Government. The land was stolen from Indigenous peoples. They experience genocide, force relocation, and cultural/language erasure. We support



Joseph Dosela, a council of Indigenous high school students makes a statement to the governing board. Jeston Morris/GRIN



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis addressing the Members of the Board in defense and support the students and the land acknowledgement. Jeston Morris/ GRIN

the land acknowledgement,” said Joseph Dosela. “Before there was a Phoenix Union High School District, there was a Phoenix Indian School (PIS) a federal Indian boarding school. Thousands of Native children were forcibly taken from their families across the Southwest and brought to PIS for one purpose – to strip away their language, culture, and identity. Students were forbidden to speak their native language, their long hair was cut, their traditional clothing replaced, their ceremonies were banned, and tragically, some never made it home. PIS became a place of trauma, neglect and separation,” said Candice Ramsey.

“The land acknowledgment that PXU governing board adopted in 2022 is not a small gesture, it was proposed by students, parents, and community members. It is a meaningful step forward of inclusion, respect, and support for native students. It affirms the Native identity,” said Ramsey.

“I am here as a religious professional to say that the land acknowledgment is not a religious statement. It does not go against the separation between church

and state. The justification of removing it on religious grounds is wrong. I am proud to affirm the PXU land acknowledgement,” said Reverend Christine Dance.

“The land acknowledgment is not just a piece of paper with written words but rather it’s a commitment. As a representative of the Gila River Indian Community, our sacred ancestral land includes all metropolitan Phoenix and the schools. Our Hu Hu Kam ancestors built the canal system, sacred sites, and civilization. They lived here since time and immemorial. Phoenix Union school system sits on the ancestral lands of O’otham that is rich in history. I stand with the students. I support the land acknowledgement,” said Gov. Lewis.

The Phoenix Union High School District Governing Board voted to retain and reaffirm its land acknowledge statement after public support and debate. The board will now be recognizing each campus with a plaque and adopt an annual celebration to honor Indigenous heritage and history.

Grand Marshal Damon Sanderson Reflects on Service and Healing

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MARICOPA COLO-NY, Ariz. — Damon Sanderson, Grand Marshal of the 162nd Mustering-In Day parade, shared his personal journey of military service, trauma, and healing during this year’s celebration.

“I’m from District 4 and have lived there for over 24 years. I have two sons and a daughter. One of my sons followed in my footsteps and joined the Marine Corps. We now have two generations of Marines in our family,” said Sanderson, who serves

as a senior fire mechanic with the Gila River Fire Department. Sanderson enlisted in the Marine Corps and became a combat engineer specializing in construction and demolition. He was deployed during the Persian Gulf War, where his unit was tasked with deactivating and disarming mines to clear paths for infantry Marines.

“I never spoke about my Persian Gulf War experience for over 30 years—not even with family or close friends. I compartmentalized all the feelings and emotions I experienced in war,” he said. “I was diagnosed with PTSD. I en-

courage other veterans to seek help. The VA can support you.”

Sanderson described how PTSD continues to affect him.

“I take my emotions and put them somewhere in my mind and block them out until something triggers them. For me, I couldn’t stand the national anthem in any language. It brings flashbacks to my war experience. I’ve seen fellow Marines killed and carried off the battlefield. I tear up and get emotional. PTSD affects me mentally. I’d get agitated if things weren’t done properly—it manifests as anger. PTSD affects people in different ways.”

For years, Sanderson avoided participating in the Mustering-In Day celebration due to his PTSD. But this year, he reconsidered after being nominated as Grand Marshal.

“At first, I said no—I couldn’t do it. The second time, I reconsidered and accepted, mainly because of the individual who recommended me,” he said. “I honor the Mustering-In Day celebration because five tribes united to protect American lives, including Gila River Indian citizens. I’m honored to serve as Grand Marshal for the parade.”



Sanderson, a Marine Corps veteran, represents two generations of military service in his family. Jeston Morris/GRIN



Watermelon eating contest winners by age group:

- Ages 5–7: Ruphael Cruz (1st), Olivia Graves (2nd)
- Ages 8–11: Abriella Walker (1st), Andres (2nd)
- Ages 12–14: Alexander Juan (1st), Kiya Graves (2nd)
- Ages 15–17: Carmella Graves (1st), Wesley Sunn (2nd)




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162nd Annual Mustering In Day Parade

From Front Page

Parade judges included Councilwoman Lalena Jackson, Councilmen Joseph Manuel Jr. and Terrence B. Evans. Councilwoman Jeanette Blasingim served as emcee.

Community leaders shared reflections throughout the event.

“The Pee Posh Veterans Association has been in existence since 1995. I became commander in 2015. Veterans from Yuma and San Carlos are members, and they participated in the parade this morning. We honor those who served and those who gave the ultimate sacrifice,” said Arnie Bread, commander of

the association.

“It’s great to be here for the 162nd anniversary celebration. Let’s recognize former Councilwoman Edena Antone for being honored in the Warrior Women’s Circle at the National Conference for Women Empowering Women for Indian Nations. Let’s also recognize our Grand Marshal, Mr. David Sanderson Sr., a Marine combat veteran,” said Gov. Lewis. “This celebration honors Arizona’s first two companies led by traditional chiefs. Chief Azul led Company B and Chief Chavarria led Company C. The O’otham and Pee Posh played a vital role in Arizona’s history. Two tribal nations, united by mutual respect, came together to

form the Gila River Indian Community. Thank you to District 7, all the volunteers, and everyone who participated,” Lewis added.

“We just wrapped up the parade here at the 162nd Mustering-In Day celebration. I think that speaks volumes—it’s a testament to the spirit of our tribes, both Pee Posh and Akimel O’otham, who have protected our lands from time immemorial to today. It’s a great celebration, and we’re honoring all the veterans and those who made the ultimate sacrifice. They served to protect our people, our land, our water, and our natural resources. It’s an incredible event,” said Councilman Joseph Manuel Jr.



Blackwater Community School Color Guard Akimel O’Otham Pee Posh Charter School earned first place in the parade. Miguel Sallard/GRIN



The Running Horse dance group from Skyline Gila River High School took second place in the parade. Miguel Sallard/GRIN



Linda Sekoyant and Pamela Thompson keeping tradition and culture alive for the future. Miguel Sallard/GRIN



L.R: Melinda Sanderson, Mother of Grand Marshal Damon Sanderson, with Shirley and Lancelot Lewis. Miguel Sallard/GRIN



Young Members from Blackwater Community School show off their first place trophy with Pee Posh Veterans. Miguel Sallard/GRIN

Elders Concerns Group Hosted Meeting at District 3 Service Center

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Elders Concerns Group Meeting Highlights Water, Land, and Community Care

GU U KI. SACATON, Ariz. — The Elders Concerns Group held its latest meeting Sept. 10 at District 3 Service Center, drawing elders from all seven districts and the Gila River Indian Community Urban Members Association. The multipurpose gymnasium was filled to capacity.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Regina Atone, and Council Representatives Joseph Manuel, Jr. and Kristina Morago attended the meeting, which was called to order at 9 a.m. by ECG Chairwoman Carol Schurz. Former Gov. Donald Antone Sr. delivered the invocation.

Presenters included Ken Stock, general manager of the Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority, Gov. Lewis, and Lt. Gov. Antone. Council Representatives Morago and Manuel Jr. provided a Council update.

Stock gave a brief presentation on GRICUA’s partnership with National

Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

“The Gila River Community Utility Authority (GRICUA) partnered with NRECA to create elder care package,” Stock said. “Volunteers assembled them at the Shelde Building. We look forward to continuing these kinds of projects to give back to the community.”

Gov. Lewis delivered a two-hour update on the Arizona Water Settlement and answered questions from attendees. He also recognized former Gov. Donald Antone Sr. and Lt. Gov. Cecil Atone both of whom were present.

The Arizona Water Settlement Act of 2004 is the largest Native American water rights settlement in U.S. history. GRIC celebrated its 20th anniversary last year.

“Water is now more valuable than gold or oil,” Gov. Lewis said. “Our leases are short-term, typically five to 10 years, unlike the 99-year leases of the past. Revenue from these leases helps build up our water funds. Post 2026 guidelines are going to set the rules for the next 20 years regarding cut in water usage in the Colorado River Basin. Any deals regarding water, with



Former Gov. Donald Antone Sr. asking Gov Lewis about the local plan for water.
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surrounding municipalities needs to include Gila River due to it’s substantial water settlement,” he said. They must respect the sovereignty of Gila River.”

Former Gov. Antone Sr. raised a concern about local planning.

“Thank you for pro-

tecting our water rights at the state and national levels,” he said. “What I’m concern about is the local level. My basic question is: What is our local plan for water?”

Gov. Lewis responded by highlighting land and probate challenges.

“Land is a complicated issue. GRIC ranks among the top five most fractionated tribal reservation in Indian Country which results in a backlog of probate issues,” he said. “We are working to resolve this. The farmers in Pinal County sold their lands to de-

velopers years ago,” Gov. Lewis said. That’s why many non-Indian farmers are out of business. They can farm on GRIC lands, but it must be done respectfully.”

Gila River’s Solar Panels Safe for Water, Land and Community

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GRIN Managing Editor

SACATON, Ariz. — On Sept. 10, elders from the Community gathered at the District 3 Service Center for their monthly conference, where questions surfaced about water rights and the safety of solar panels installed along local irrigation canals. Concerns ranged from potential health risks and environmental impact to the cost of maintenance and operation.

The Gila River Indian Community has taken a historic step toward a sustainable future—without losing sight of its roots.

Along the Casa Blanca irrigation canal, more than 2,000 solar panels have been installed as part of the first phase of a tribal-led initiative aimed at conserving water, generating clean energy and strengthening community infrastructure.

Construction began in early 2024. The panels, mounted on metal structures that do not damage the canal, reflect sunlight and are designed to reduce water evaporation by up to 30% in covered areas. They also shield the canal from extreme desert heat while producing approximately 1.31 megawatts of clean energy—enough to power more than 600 homes, irrigation pumps and public buildings.

“This project has helped not only protect the environment but also ensure water reaches the lands that depend on every drop,” said Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis.

Health and Safety:

Community members raised questions about whether the panels pose any health risks. Experts say solar panels do not emit harmful radiation, noise or vibrations. They do not release toxic substances into the air or water and are considered safe for both people and the environment.

Funding and Maintenance:

While maintenance costs are minimal—the energy generated power to canal gates and irrigation pumps—the bulk of funding for construction and planning has come from the Bureau of Reclamation. The agency, established by Congress, is expected to support future phases of the project as well.

The Gila River Indian Community’s canal-based solar initiative is among the first of its kind in the United States.

Tribal leaders hope it will serve as a model for other states and countries seeking to improve water conservation and expand clean energy efforts.



Gila River Indian Community to conserve water, generate clean energy and protect ancestral land. Miguel Sallard/GRIN



More than 2,000 solar panels line the Casa Blanca irrigation canal. Miguel Sallard/GRIN

Tribal Education Departments showcases their new location



The Tribal Education Department is now located in Chandler at 7050 W. Allison Rd. Emma Hughes/GRIN

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian Community’s Tribal Education Department (TED) has relocated its main office to a new location at 7050 W. Allison Rd, Chandler, across from the Gila River Telecommunications Inc. On Sept. 9, the department held a grand opening to highlight its new site to the Community.

“We moved over into this location in July, and that process took almost a year for us to do,” said TED Director Sherilyn Analla. She explained that the department received approval for renovation, they were fortunate to find a vacant building instead. The building which was previously

occupied as a substation for the Gila River Police Department and is now overseen by Gila River Development.

“We actually have two sites,” Analla added. TED’s central office is now in Chandler, while the Culture and Language Program is located in Sacaton at the District Three Headstart Center’s art room, where two Student Services staff members from the Scholarship Program are also available.

“It’s been a little bit of an adjustment for everybody,” said Analla, “What we’ve noticed is that the urban population and the west end, that it’s been helpful for them to have us here; but we are still accessible to all the Community members.” For more information about TED’s services, and events, visit gricted.com

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The GRIC 4-H Club is recruiting youth for the upcoming new program year.

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The Gila River 4-H Club is recruiting for its upcoming program year with ice cream socials for youth to learn more about the program and register.

“We just thought we’d try something new to focus on recruitment this year,” said Liane Iglesias, GRIC 4-H program coordinator. “We wanted to be out in several of the districts and get the word out about the club.”

During the ice cream socials, Iglesias assist with the online registration process and answer any questions kids or parents may have. The program is open to youth ages 5-18 and offers a wide array of workshops and activities, including agriculture, arts and crafts, healthy living, and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). The club meets monthly, in addition to hosting after-school and week-end activities.

The program is wrapping up its summer activities, with many workshops held in June and July at the Ira H. Hayes Me-

morial Library. “They’ve been a very good support and partner with the program,” Iglesias said.

Gardening was one of the highlights, where youth planned and create their own garden beds, germinate the seeds, and see them sprout. “They seemed to really enjoy it. We had a lot of fun,” said Iglesias. Participants planted squash, beans, and tomatoes. The club also partnered with Gila River Health Care’s Life Center to provide more classes on gardening, allowing youth to cultivate their own plot in District 5, where they planted pumpkins wich are expected to be ready by Halloween.

Another session focused on STEM, where participants built circuits and explored the basics of electricity by creating a lemon battery to power an LED light.

Recruitment for the club will be continuing through the end of the month, with the first meeting of the new program year scheduled for October. Some activities will be changing, and Iglesias looks forward to expanding more on plant and animal science. “It’s just been a really good group that we have, and we just want to keep growing it more and more,” she said.



Gila River 4-H Club showcases their activities with the youth. Photo by: Liane Iglesias.

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Timothy James Finds His Voice at TOCC

Submitted By:
Joseph Morales

Timothy James, a student at Tohono O’odham Community College and member of the Gila River Indian Community, shares his vision for tribal health and education during a roundtable with congressional candidate Adelita Grijalva in Sells, AZ.

SELLS, AZ — On Sept 2, Timothy James, a member of the Gila River Indian Community and student at Tohono O’odham Community College (TOCC), joined a roundtable discussion with Adelita Grijalva, Democratic candidate for Arizona’s Seventh Congressional District. The event, held on TOCC’s main campus, offered students a rare opportunity to speak directly with a congressional candidate on issues that impact their lives and communities.

For James, education has always been more than textbooks and classrooms. It’s been about finding community, building confidence, and discovering the power of his voice.

James reflected on the path that led him to this moment. The COVID-19 pandemic and challenges with substance use in his environment disrupted his early academic plans. Hoping to pursue social work and improve tribal health, he applied to Arizona State University but was not accepted. That detour led him to TOCC, where tuition waivers and a welcoming staff gave him a new opportunity. “Both the staff and the school were very friendly and culturally centered,” James explained. “It’s very similar to our core values, which prepare us to help our communities.”

TOCC’s supportive environment not only helped him

move forward academically but also shaped his role as a leader. As a resident assistant, James guides and supports fellow students, many of whom share the same cultural background. “There are so many Indigenous relatives here, which is unique to building a strong community,” he noted.

During the roundtable, James voiced concerns about improving health care and protecting Native voters. He stressed that future policy should honor Indigenous traditions alongside modern solutions. “We need to improve traditional healing in health care,” he said. “There is real value in blending cultural knowledge with professional practices.”

Being selected to participate in the discussion was both humbling and empowering. “It gives me confidence in my career and educational goals to be Native American in different spaces,” James reflected.

Grijalva, who currently serves on the Pima County Board of Supervisors and previously on the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board, emphasized her commitment to listening to students. Her visit to TOCC was part of a broader effort to hear directly from tribal voices and better understand the needs of Native communities in Arizona’s Seventh District.

Looking ahead, James believes experiences like these are especially important for the younger generation. “The youth need to understand they have power and use their voice,” he said.

What began as a detour in his education has become a defining journey—one rooted in culture, community, and the courage to speak up.



Timothy James, student at Tohono O’odham Community College and Adelita Grijalva. Photo submitted by Joseph Morales



SR 187: SR 387 to SR 87 Improvement Project

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The Arizona Department of Transportation will begin a project to improve State Route 187 located in the Gila River Indian Community. Work is tentatively scheduled to begin in the fall of 2025. These improvements will include pavement preservation, shoulder widening, and new turn lanes.

PROJECT ELEMENTS

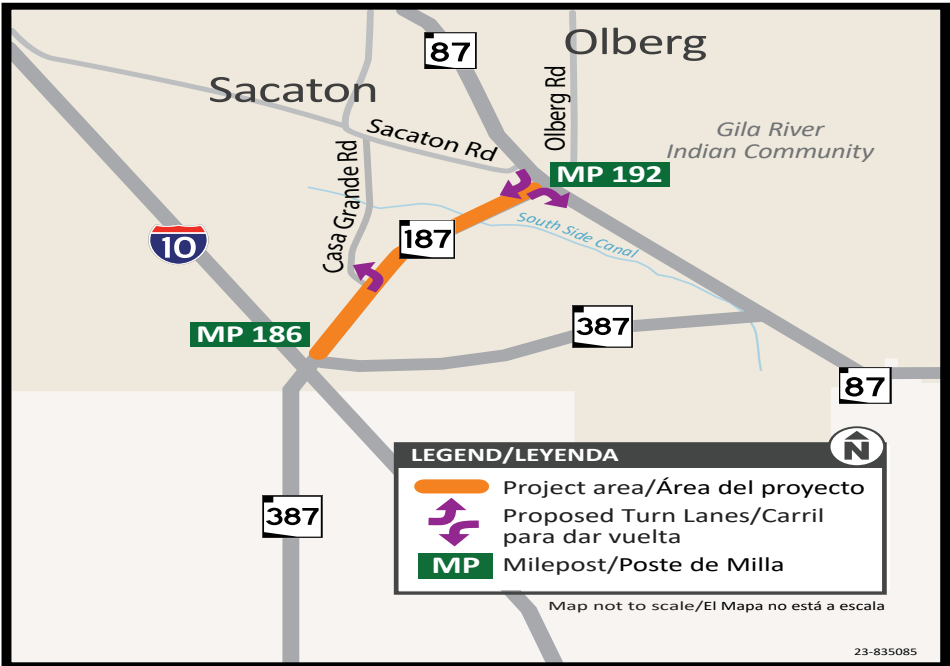
- ▶ Adding a new right-turn lane on SR 187 approaching SR 87
- ▶ Adding a new right-turn lane on SR 87 approaching SR 187
- ▶ Adding a new left-turn lane on SR 187 approaching Casa Grande Road
- ▶ Widening the roadway to accommodate 8-ft shoulders on both sides
- ▶ Removing and replacing the asphalt
- ▶ Constructing drainage improvements
- ▶ Replacing bridge railing
- ▶ Relocating traffic signal equipment at the SR 187/SR 87 intersection

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Construction is anticipated to start fall 2025 and is expected to be completed in spring 2026. Schedules are subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ▶ Traffic control devices will guide motorists through the construction area.
- ▶ Construction work is tentatively from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- ▶ Expect temporary delays as traffic is redirected through a single travel lane.
- ▶ ADOT will provide advance notice of restrictions and closures to email subscribers.



STAY INFORMED

Visit the project website for more information azdot.gov/SR187 and to subscribe for project updates by email.

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Youth Participate in Arizona Cardinals Flag Football Experience at State Farm Stadium

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

GLENDAL, Ariz. Nineteen youths participated in the Arizona Cardinals Flag Football Experience at State Farm Stadium ahead of the team’s home opener against the Carolina Panthers (27-22) on Sunday, Sept. 14.

Gila River Resorts & Casinos (GRRC), in partnership with the Cardinals, sponsored the youth to attend the clinic. They were accompanied by staff from Gila River’s Tribal Recreation & Wellness Department. In addition to the clinic, participants had the opportunity to attend the game and meet former Cardinals wide receiver Early Doucet, who played in the 2009 Super Bowl.

“The kids always look forward to these outings where they get a chance to just play,” said Manuel Hernandez, public relations coordinator for Gila River Resorts & Casinos. “The flag football clinic is a learning experience where they can ask questions, get tips, and compete with one another.”

The clinic, hosted by A2Z Sports Training and Pro Athletes Direct, offers a unique opportunity for youth to play just steps away from where the pros compete, hours before kickoff. Activities include stretching, offensive and defensive drills



Youth from the Gila River Indian Community attended the Flag Football Clinic hosted by the Gila River Resorts & Casinos and the Arizona Cardinals. Emma Hughes/GRIN

for youth of all ages and skill levels, and exercises that emphasize teamwork.

“This is one of the many Cardinals kids’ camps that we host each year,” said Harold Bently III, operations manager for Pro Athletes Direct. “Kids come out,

have a good time, enjoy themselves. It’s not super competitive, but we try to make it a friendly for environment for all kids.” Hernandez added, “These types of events allow the youth to create lasting memories and hopefully motivates them to continue a path of health-conscious activities. The Casino’s relationship with the Arizona Cardinals allows us to bring Kids Camps directly to the community, promoting and reinforcing healthy, active lifestyles.”



WILD HORSE PASS
GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

Events at Wild Horse Pass

GRIC Member Discount Available*

*A valid Tribal I.D. must be presented at the time of purchase at box office or entry to receive the Tribal discount. Discount dates and eligibility may vary.

GLOWING PUMPKINS

GRIC COMMUNITY NIGHT



FRIDAY & SATURDAY
OCTOBER 3RD & 4TH

Glowing Pumpkins returns to the Riverwalk at Rawhide. Bring your GRIC Tribal ID and your guests to GRIC Community Night, Friday & Saturday, October 3rd & 4th for FREE Entry for you and your guests.

- Walk the trail of jack-o-lantern art, featuring over 5,000 intricately carved art pumpkins and towering displays of Halloween favorites, dinos, heroes, and icons.
- New for 2025! Kraken, Dragon & Rising Phoenix Pumpkin Displays, kids hay maze, more inflatables & extended LED Singing Pumpkin Show.
- Food and drink will be available for purchase from on-site vendors.
- **Time: 6:30PM - 9:00PM**
- **Location: The Riverwalk at Rawhide – 5700 W North Loop Rd, Chandler, AZ 85226**



OCT 25 SATURDAY
DOORS OPEN: 5PM
RODEO: 7PM
MARIACHI: 6PM-9PM
BANDA: 9PM-12AM

RAWHIDE
WESTERN TOWN

OCT 26 SUNDAY
DOORS OPEN: 5PM
RODEO: 6PM
MARIACHI: 3PM - 7PM

JARIPEO Y BAILE

**BANDA EXPERTA**

AZTEGA ORO
LA FAMILIA AZTECA

MARIACHI VOCES MEXICANAS

BUCK-N-RODEO
— GROUNDS —

SAT & SUN, OCT 25 -26

JARIPEO Y BAILE

GRIC MEMBER GA
TICKET DISCOUNT FOR
\$5 OFF GA TICKET IN
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8 SECOND SATURDAYS RODEO
**BULL RIDING • STEER RIDING
CALF RIDING • MUTTON BUSTING**

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SECOND SAT OF THE MONTH OCT - MAY:
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8 SECOND SATURDAYS RODEO

GRIC MEMBER GA TICKET
DISCOUNT FOR **\$12** GA
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ACTION SHEET

Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729
CALL TO ORDER
The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, September 3, 2025, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Lt. Governor Regina Antone at 9:05 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Joey Whitman

ROLL CALL

Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll
Executive Officers Present: Lt. Governor Regina Antone
Council Members Present: D1- Joey Whitman, Duane Jackson, Jr.; D2- Ann Lucas; D3- Kristina Morago, Joseph Manuel, Jr.; D4- Leah Williams, Jennifer Allison, Nada Celaya, Lalena Jackson; D5- James De La Rosa(9:34), Franklin Pablo, Sr., Donovan Kyiyitan; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans(9:22); D7- Jeanette Blasingim
Executive Officers Absent: Governor Stephen R. Lewis
Council Members Absent: D5- Gordon Santos, Jr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #2 AND #5, ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1 AND #2, ACCEPT AND APPROVE NEW BUSINESS #1 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS PRESENTED
PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
*1. Introduction to District Three Service Center Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator
Presenters: Laurie Thomas, Joanne Brewer
MS. LAURIE THOMAS AND MS. JOANNE BREWER INTRODUCED THE NEW DISTRICT THREE SERVICE CENTER COORDINATOR MS. JONI NOTAH AND ASSISTANT SERVICE CENTER COORDINATOR MS. ASHLEY MANUEL.
MS. JONI NOTAH, COORDINATOR IS A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3 AND THE DAUGHTER OF MS. ELAINE BLACKWATER AND THE LATE WILLIAM NOTAH, SR. MS. NOTAH WAS EMPLOYED WITH GILA RIVER HEALTH CARE FOR OVER 17 YEARS BEFORE COMING TO WORK FOR DISTRICT 1 SERVICE CENTER

AS THE ASSISTANT COORDINATOR. MS. NOTAH IS GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.
MS. ASHLEY MANUEL, ASSISTANT COORDINATOR IS A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3 AND HAS BEEN EMPLOYED WITH THE DEPARTMENT SINCE 2006 WORKING IN VARIOUS POSITIONS. MS. MANUEL LOOKS FORWARD TO SERVING THE COMMUNITY IN THIS POSITION.
VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS CONGRATULATED MS. NOTAH AND MS. MANUEL ON THEIR NEW POSITIONS AND PROVIDED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.
REPORTS
*1. Proposed Gila River Farms Road Closures to Reduce Nefarious Traffic
Presenters: David DeJong, Benito Alvarez
REPORT HEARD
>2. American Legion Post 51 Haskell Osife Antone 3rd Quarter Budget
Presenter: Gary Rodriguez
ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. Gila River Health Care Tobacco Tax Grant FY25 Third Quarter Report (April 1, 2025-June 30, 2025)
Presenters: GRHC Board of Directors, Deborah Tinsley, Judith Roth, Max Haake, Owen Ayres, Dr. Viji Murugavel, Dr. Anthony Santiago, Susan Kelley, Carolyn Thompson, Kerry Van Volkinburgh
REPORT HEARD
4. GRICUA FY25 Q2 Report
Presenter: Ken Stock
REPORT HEARD
>5. GRSG Q3 FY25 Report
Presenter: Michael Morago, Donna Stowell
ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
6. FY2025 Financial Activity Report ending July 31, 2025 (Executive Session)
Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix
HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
7. Gila River Gaming Commission Department Report to the Community Council July 2025 (Executive Session)
Presenters: M. Scott Sander-son, Gila River Gaming Commission
HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
8. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report July 2025 (Executive Session)
Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Dominic Orozco, Blake Katsnelson, Tony DeMark, Majdi Kayyali, IO&PC
HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
9. Schedule of Investments

– July 31, 2025 (Executive Session)
Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix
HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
RESOLUTIONS
>1. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendment #1 To The Agreement (C7615) Between The Gila River Indian Community And Keller-Bliesner Engineering, LLC Fiscal Year 2025 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)
Presenters: Javier Ramos, Michael Carter

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Approving A Ground Lease By And Between The Gila River Indian Community And Gila River Health Care Corporation For The Operation Of Facilities Associated With The Emergency Medical Services Facility In District 2 Pursuant To The Gila River Indian Community Leasing Regulations (H&SSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC and EDSC concur)
Presenters: John M. Martin, Teresa L. Mandelin, Carolyn K. Thompson, Truman Kiyaani

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ORDINANCES
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS
>1. Per Capita E-Statements (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business as information and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenters: Treasurer Gary T. Mix, Neomi Martinez, Katrina Johnson

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Investment Manager Meeting Invitation (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)
Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ALLOW ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBER TO ATTEND UTILIZING DUES & DELEGATIONS
3. Global Gaming Expo October 6-9, 2025 – Las Vegas, NV (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Dele-

gations)
Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ALLOW ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBER TO ATTEND UTILIZING DUES & DELEGATIONS
4. Sovereign Immunity Certification (Executive Session) (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business in Executive Session with a recommendation to not waive Sovereign Immunity)
Presenter: Shannon White
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO NOT WAIVE SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY, LEGISLATIVE STANDING COMMITTEE CONCURS
5. 53rd AAIP Annual Meeting and Health Conference September 18-21, 2025 in Seattle, Washington (H&SSC forwards to Council for any interested Council Member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)
Presenter: Nada Celaya
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ALLOW ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBER TO ATTEND UTILIZING DUES & DELEGATIONS
6. FAA, Establishment and Approvals of Aerobatic Practice Areas over the GRIC, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, Arizona (CRSC forwards to Council and recommends Governor Stephen R. Lewis sign the Government to Government Consultation letter with the FAA)
Presenters: Reylynne Williams, Larry Benallie, Jr., Darius Enos
MOTION MADE AND SECOND, CULTURAL RESOURCE STANDING COMMITTEE FORWARDS TO COUNCIL AND RECOMMENDS GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS SIGN THE GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION LETTER WITH THE FAA
MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• MR. RAMOS INFORMED THE COUNCIL OF THE NEW RULE FOR THE ARIZONA STATE BAR THAT WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION
• ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER TRAINING WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 4TH & 5TH
• COUNCIL REQUESTED PRIOR NOTIFICATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON DIGNITARY VISITS TO THE COMMUNITY
• GILA RIVER DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH AT 9:00 A.M.
• A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13TH AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

IN DISTRICT 6 REGARDING THE GRICUA SOLAR PLANT PROJECT
• THE MUSTERING IN DAY EVENT IN DISTRICT 7 WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH
ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:42 A.M.
* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

ACTION SHEET

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CALL TO ORDER
The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, September 17, 2025, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:05 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Lt. Governor Regina Antone

ROLL CALL

Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll
Executive Officers Present: Governor Stephen R. Lewis
Lt. Governor Regina Antone
Council Members Present: D1- Joey Whitman; D2- Ann Lucas; D3- Kristina Morago, Joseph Manuel, Jr.; D4- Leah Williams, Jennifer Allison, Nada Celaya, Lalena Jackson; D5- James De La Rosa, Franklin Pablo, Sr., Gordon Santos, Jr.; D7- Jeanette Blasingim
Council Members Present via WebEx: D1- Duane Jackson, Jr. D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr. D6-Charles Goldtooth D6-Terrance Evans
Council Members Absent: D5- Donovan Kyiyitan (Travel)
APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #1, #2, AND #3, ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #2 THOUGH #53, AND ACCEPT AND APPROVE NEW BUSINESS #1 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS PRESENTED
PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
REPORTS
>1. Ira H. Hayes American Legion Auxiliary Unit 84 2025 2nd Quarter Activity Report
Presenter: Carletta McDaniel

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. Gila River Asset Management FY2025 Great Call Reports Quarters 1-3
Presenters: Clarice Chiago-Jones, Grant Kresicki, GRTI Board of Directors
ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
>3. Sacaton Elementary School District Spring NAFIS 2025 Report & Results
Presenter: Robert Lewandowski
ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORT #4
4. Financial Activity Report ending August 31, 2025 (Executive Session)
Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

ACCEPTED RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution To Approve The Gila River Fire Department Performance Evaluation Step Program Proposal (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)
Presenter: TeriLynne Kisto, Kathy Garcia

APPROVED

>2. A Resolution Approving The Termination Of The Old Casa Blanca School Lease B-GR-119 And Requesting The Bureau Of Indian Education To Return The Land, Buildings, And Improvements To The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)
Presenter: Javier Ramos

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Approving The Capital Projects Budget For The Gila River Telecommunications, Inc., For The Period October 1, 2025 Through September 30, 2026 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)
Presenters: Treasurer Gary T. Mix, Clarice Chiago-Jones

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Modifying The Use And Distribution Of Monies From The Gila River Indian Community Permanent Water Fund And Water Settlement Fund For The Operations Of The Gila River Indian Irrigation And Drainage District And For The Purchase Of Central Arizona Project Water In Fiscal Year 2026 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for ap-

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proval with corrected material and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Treasurer Gary T. Mix

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Of Consent To Grant A Temporary Special Event Liquor License To Active Family Development Foundation For Use At The Wild Horse Pass Festival Grounds On October 4, 2025 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenters: Bartley Harris, Kaleb Lester, Duncan Wiston

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Of Consent To Grant A Temporary Special Event Liquor License To Active Family Development Foundation For Use At The Rawhide Western Town Event Center and Sonoran Lawn On December 13, 2025 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenters: Bartley Harris, Kaleb Lester, Duncan Wiston

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Denying Permission For The Arizona Commerce Authority To Approve Any Award Of Broadband Equity, Access, And Deployment (BEAD) Program Grant Funding To Third Party Carriers Or Organizations For Broadband Infrastructure On The Gila River Indian Reservation And Affirming The Deployment Of Broadband Infrastructure By Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)
Presenters: Clarice Chia-go-Jones, GRTI Board of Directors

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. A Resolution Approving And Ratifying The Payroll And Human Capitol Management Services Agreement Between The Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. And Paycom For Payroll Processing And Human Services Which Includes A Limited Waiver Of Sovereign Immunity (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)
Presenters: Clarice Chia-go-Jones, GRTI Board of Directors

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>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 Summer Internship Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 The Natural Resource Education Center, Farm Filled Ag-Ventures Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Seeds Of Hope, After-School And Senior Programs (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Casa Grande For The Boys And Girls Clubs Of The Sun Corridor, Technology Expansion Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Casa Grande For Casa Grande Community Development Housing Division, Emergency And Minor Housing Repairs (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>14. 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 Arts & Culture Commission, Connection With Seniors Through Outdoor Art Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>15. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For Central Arizona Aging, Meals On Wheels Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>16. 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, Traffic Enforcement Police Vehicle Upfit (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For St. Anthony Of Padua Church, Laundry Love Of Casa Grande Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Casa Grande For The United Way Of Pinal County, Reading By 3rd Grade Initiative (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Casa Grande For The Veterans Of Foreign Wars Post 1677, Kitchen Upgrade (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Goodyear For The Valley Of The Sun United Way, Southwest Valley Literacy Hub (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Goodyear For The Autism Society Of Greater Phoenix, Traveling Sensory Bin Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Goodyear For 1n10 Inc. Dba One-N-Ten, LGBTQ+ Youth Attending Satellite Programs (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Goodyear For Alice Cooper's Solid Rock Teen Centers, Music Lessons And Mental Health Improvement For Teens Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval

and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For The McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park, Trackless Train Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Scottsdale For Scottsdale Human Services Department, Family Recreation Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Scottsdale For Scottsdale Human Services Department, Health And Wellness Classes (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Scottsdale For The National Council Of Jewish Women Inc. Arizona Section, Helping Sexual Violence And Domestic Violence Survivors Heal Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Advance Community Show

Up! Youth Community Health Educator Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>29 A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels, Comfort And Care For Children Experiencing Cancer (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Arizona Autism Charter Schools, Post-Secondary Innovation And Entrepreneurial Career Education Transition Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED 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 Ballet Arizona Youth Engagement Programs (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>32. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Boys & Girls Clubs Of The Valley, Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, And Workforce Readiness Programs For Underserved Youth (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND AP-PROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>33. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The

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Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Dress For Success Phoenix, Mobile Career Center For Maricopa County Women And Youth (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 Maricopa County For Educare Arizona, Child Development Credentialing 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

>35. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Elaine, Transportation 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

>36. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For First Place® Az, Be Open + Be Ready Workforce And Workplace Development Initiative (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 Maricopa County For Future For Kids, Discover Your Future 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

>38. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa

County For Imprints Of Honor, After School Character And Civic Education 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

>39. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Native American Women’s Conference, Native Women Empowered 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

>40. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Kid In The Corner, Penny Pledge Youth Suicide Prevention And Mental Health Awareness 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

>41. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Southwest Human Development, Harris Infant And Early Childhood Mental Health Training Institute (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

>42. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For St. Joseph’s Youth Camp, Inc., Counselor-In-Training (CIT) 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

>43. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared

Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Foster Alliance, Essential Services 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

>44. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Opportunity Tree, Tree Fort Transitions Program For Youth With Intellectual And Developmental Disabilities (IDD) (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

>45. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Treasure House, Employment And Life Skills Training Program For Adults With Intellectual And Developmental Disabilities (IDD) (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

>46. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Xico Arte Y Cultura 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

>47. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix, YWCA Older Adult 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

>48. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For United Methodist Church Of Casa Grande, Com-

munity Garden (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

>49. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Manes And Miracles, Scholarships For The Healing With Horses 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

>50. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For The Active Family Development Foundation, Equipment Trailer (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

>51. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Pets In Need Action League, Spay-Neuter Assistance And Rabies Vaccination 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

>52. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Eagar For The Round Valley School District, School Bus 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

>53. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For The Guadalupe Community Action Program, Food Rescue 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 ORDINANCES UNFINISHED BUSINESS NEW BUSINESS

*1. Bonfire Exhibition – Procurement (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business as information and placement on the consent agenda)
Presenters: Tecumseh Manuel, Valerie Bustos

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. 13th International Hemp Building Symposium October 3-5, 2025, Lower Sioux Indian Reservation, Minnesota (EDSC forwards to Council for any interested Council Member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)
Presenters: Economic Development Standing Committee
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ALLOW ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBER TO ATTEND UTILIZING DUES & DELEGATIONS
MINUTES
1. August 6, 2025 (Regular)

APPROVED

2. August 20, 2025 (Regular)
APPROVED
3. September 3, 2025 (Regular)
APPROVED AT #2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- COMMUNITY DAY FOR THE GLOWING PUMPKINS EVENT AT RAWHIDE, FREE ADMISSION WITH TRIBAL ID ON OCTOBER 3 – 4, 2025
 - MR. JAVIER RAMOS ANNOUNCED WITH THE PASSING THE RESOLUTION FOR I-10 RIGHT OF WAY, FUNDING WAS RECEIVED FROM ADOT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13.7 MILLION DOLLARS
 - GROUND BREAKING FOR THE GRICUA SOLAR PROJECT WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025 AT 7:15 A.M. AT THE BILLBOARDS, CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED
 - THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL IS WORKING ON A REPORT FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON FOLLOW-UP FROM THE TOWN HALL AND WILL COME THROUGH TO THE COMMITTEE(S)
 - CLARIFICATION REQUESTED ON USE OF OUTSIDE ATTORNEY’S ADJOURNMENT MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:59 A.M.
- * Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

Announcements & Notices

COURT NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA
YASMINE DAVIS ,
Petitioner/Plaintiff
VS.JUSTIN DAVIS,
Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2025-0049-DV
CIVIL NOTICE OF HEARING
Please take notice that a Review Hearing has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian Community Court. This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:
Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I,
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 21 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ. GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona.
DATED this 4th day of August, 2025

COURT NOTICE

N THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
COURT DATE NOTICE
In Re Case: In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Wellington
Docket Number: PB-2025-0030-DE
This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may ordered.
Answer/Response Hearing
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 21 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147
28th day of October, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Gwendolyn Morago

COURT NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
COURT DATE NOTICE
In Re Case: In the Matter of the Estate of Lea Marie Salkey
Docket Number: PB-2025-0031-DE
This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may ordered.
Answer/Response Hearing
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147
28th day of October, 2025 at 10:30 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Gwendolyn Morago

COURT NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
COURT DATE NOTICE
In Re Case: In the Matter of :Lerio Fayrene Brown-Angulo
Docket Number: JC-2025-01 00-CA
This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may ordered.
Answer/Response Hearing
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147
21st day of October, 2025 at 1:00 PM in Courtroom V before the Honorable Kami D. Hart
Issued bv: Acunia-Narcia Date: Thursday, August 28, 2025

Lewis, Robi Corey

Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing
Case: J-23-0026
Court Date: September 23, 2025 at 1:30 pm. COURTROOM #3, 1ST FLOOR FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS
JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT ADDRESS: 10040 E. OSBORN RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256 CONTACT: (480)362-6315
Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated, Andrew Johnson – Court Clerk. (480)263-6811
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
10,040 E. Osborn Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85256

SUMMONS

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY
Case Number: C V2024-034293
Elizabeth Stavrevski
Name of Plaintiff
AND
Dee Sha Jackson
Name of Defendant
FROM THE STATE OF ARIZONA TO: Dee Sha Jackson Name of Defendant
1. A lawsuit has been filed against you. A copy of the lawsuit and other court papers are served on you with this "Summons".
2. If you do not want a judgment or order taken against you without your input, you must file an "Answer" or a "Response" in writing with the court and pay the filing fee. If you do not file an "Answer" or "Response" the other party may be given the relief requested in his/her Petition or Complaint. To file your "Answer" or "Response" take, or send, the "Answer" or "Response" to Clerk of the Superior Court, or electronically file your Answer through one of Arizona's approved electronic filing systems at <http://www.azcourts.gov/efilinginformation>. Mail a copy of your "Response" or "Answer" to the other party at the address listed on the top of this Summons. Note: If you do not file electronically you will not have electronic access to the document in this case.

3. If this "Summons" and the other court papers were served on you by a registered process server or the Sheriff, within the State of Arizona, your "Response" or "Answer" must be filed within TWENTY (20) CALENDAR DAYS from the date you were served, not counting the day you were served. If this "Summons" and the other papers were served on you by a registered process server or the Sheriff outside the State of Arizona, your Response must be filed within THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS from the date you were served, not counting the day you were served. Service by a registered process server or the Sheriff is complete when made. Service by Publication is complete thirty (30) days after the date of the first publication.
4. You can get a copy of the court papers filed in this case from the Petitioner at the address at the top of this paper, or from the Clerk of the Superior Court.
5. Requests for reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities must be made to the office of the judge or commissioner assigned to the case, at least ten (10) judicial days before your scheduled court date .
6. Requests for an interpreter for persons with limited English proficiency must be made to the office of the judge or commissioner assigned to the case at least ten (10) judicial days in advance of your scheduled court date.

SIGNED AND SEALED this Date: November 27, 2024
JEFF FINE Clerk of Superior Court
By: C. NASUI Deputy Clerk
Requests for an interpreter for persons with limited English proficiency must be made to the division assigned to the case by the party needing the interpreter and/or translator or his/ her counsel at least ten (10) judicial days in advance of a scheduled court proceeding.
If you would like legal advice from a lawyer, contact Lawyer Referral Service at 602-257-4434 or <https://maricopabar.org>.

COURT NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA
NOEL MUNOZ HERNANDEZ RICO ,
Petitioner/Plaintiff
VS.SELENA LOPEZ,
Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2021-0034-PT
CIVIL NOTICE OF HEARING
Please take notice that a(n) Motion Hearing has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian Community Court. This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:
Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 10:30 AM in Courtroom I,
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ.
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona.
DATED this 3rd day of September, 2025

NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

REVISIONS TO TITLE 1, ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS The Legislative Standing Committee ("LSC") is considering proposed revisions to Title 1 of the GRIC Code, to amend the Code of Conduct for Community Officials. A copy of the proposed revisions to Title 1 of the GRIC Code in their entirety are available for review at each District Service Center, the Community Council Secretary's Office, or by contacting the Office of General Counsel at OGC.HelpDesk@gric.nsn.us The Office of General Counsel will present the proposed revisions and answer questions on the proposed revisions to Title 1 of the GRIC Code at the Legislative Standing Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at the Community Council Secretary's Office, Conference Room B & C. Community members may comment on the proposed ordinance at the Legislative Standing Committee meeting, or by contacting their Councilmember(s) and/or the chairperson of the Legislative Standing Committee. If you would like to provide written comments on the proposed revisions to Title 1 of the GRIC Code, please provide them by email to the Office of General Counsel at OGC.HelpDesk@gric.nsn.us or by mail to the Office of the General Counsel, P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147.
TITLE 1 ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
CHAPTERS 4-5 CHAPTER 4. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT
1.401. Authority; Findings; Intent & Purpose.
A.Authority. The Constitution and Bylaws of the Gila River Indian Community(1960) were formed pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act (25 U.S.C. § 461 et seq.) and were adopted for the common welfare of the Community and provide structure for the Community to enact laws governing conduct within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation (25 U.S.C. § 476). The Community enacts chapters 4 and 5 of this title under its inherent civil, legislative, adjudicative and regulatory authority.
B.Findings. Recognizing that the best interest of the Community is served byensuring accountability, order, discipline and integrity in all matters of conduct by Community Officials, the Community Council finds:

1.That the Community Council enacts chapters 4 and 5 to regulate the conduct ofOfficials pursuant to its authority under Articles VI, VII, and XII of the Constitutionand Bylaws of the Gila River Indian Community (1960);

2.That establishing and requiring adherence to standards of conduct to avoid conflictsof interest as to the use of public offices or property for private gain, and to avoidgranting favored treatment to persons, businesses or organizations in situationswhere there is a conflict of interest, is necessary to ensure the integrity of theCommunity's political process and business decisions made on behalf of theCommunity;

3.That providing for a more informed citizenry by requiring the disclosure ofsignificant economic and business interests and affiliations of Officials whichinvolve any potential for conflict with the primary interests of the Community andCommunity government is necessary to ensure the integrity of the Community'spolitical process and business decisions made on behalf of the Community;

4.That requiring Officials to abstain from using any function of their office or duties,in a manner which could place, or appear to place, their personal, familial,economic or special interests before the interests of the Community is necessary toensure the integrity of the Community's political process and business decisionsmade on behalf of the Community; and

5.That past audits of Community enterprise boards dictates the need to establishminimum standards of conduct for all Community enterprise boards, and are further
A copy of this proposed ordinance in its entirety is on file and available for review at all District Service Center coordinators' offices and the Community Council Secretary's office.

COURT NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
EMILY ANN JUAN
Petitioner/Plaintiff
VS.
JOSEPH FERRAL BROWN
Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2025-0024-PT
CIVIL SUMMONS
TO: Joseph Ferral Brown
READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT THAT AFFECTS YOUR RIGHTS. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND IT, CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR ADVOCATE FOR HELP.

You are hereby notified that a civil action has been filed against you, the Respondent/Defendant, in the Gila River Indian Community Court. You are required to appear and defend this action in Court withinthe time applicable.
You shall appear and respond at an ANSWER/RESPONSE HEARING on: Tuesday, September 30, 2025 at 2:00 PM in Courtroom I,
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ.
You may respond in writing. However, your presence at the Answer/Response Hearing is still required.If a written answer or response is made, it shall be filed and served before the date of the hearing, unless the time is extended by order of the Court. The Court staff is not allowed to give you legal advice but staff is available to assist you with general information such as scheduling and procedures. You have the right to represent yourself or you may hire an attorney or advocate to represent you. If you represent yourself, you have the responsibility to properly complete all your Court papers and file them when they are due. The Court has a listing of attorneys and advocates who are licensed to practice in the Court. Please do not wait until your hearing to ask for time to hire an attorney or advocate.If you are not able to appear in Court at the above date and time, please immediately file a motion with the Court to reschedule. A judge will determine whether to approve your motion. You should be in court at least 15 minutes before the hearing. DO NOT come to court if you are sick. If you fail to appear and defend in Court, a default judgment will be entered against you and in favor of the Petitioner/Plaintiff for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. GIVEN under my hand and seal of the Gila River Indian Community Court in the State of Arizona.
DATED this 22nd day of July, 2025

COURT NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA
YASMINE DAVIS,
Petitioner/Plaintiff vs,
JUSTIN DAVIS
Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2025.0049.Dv
CIVIL NOTICE OF HEARING
RESCHEDULE
Please take notice that a(n) Review Hearing has been rescheduled in the Gila fuver Indian Community Court.
This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:
Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I,
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ.GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona.
DATED this 26th day of August,2025
Katherine Search Clerk of the Gila River Indian Community Court

COURT NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
JENNIFER MARIE JAMES
Petitioner/Plaintiff
vs.
NATHANIEL HERNANDEZ
Respondent/Defendant
CASE NO.: FM-2025-0036-PT
CIVIL ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
Address: 10303 Mawid Street, Sacaton, AZ, 8514 7
WHEREAS in the above matter, you were to appear for the Answer/ Response Hearing scheduled on July 7, 2025 at 10:00 AM.
IT HAS COME to the attention of the Court that you failed to appear as ordered for the above matter.
THEREFORE: AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUO KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147
On 29th day of September, 2025 at 10:30 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Gwendolyn Morago
And there and then show cause, if any you have, why this Court should not find you in contempt.
FAILURE TO APPEAR without good cause may subject you to prosecution or other penalties.
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona.DA TED this 17th day of July, 2024

COURT NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA
COURT DATE NOTICE
In Re Case: In the Matter of Ryan Allison
Docket Number: CV-2025-0143-NC
This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may ordered.
Answer/Response Hearing
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147
27th day of October, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Gwendolyn Morago

CIVIL NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA
ELIZABETH CARROLL ,
Petitioner/Plaintiff
VS.
GILBERT WHITE,
Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2025-0030-FJ
CIVIL NOTICE OF HEARING
Please take notice that a(n) Answer/ Response Hearing has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian Community Court.
This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:
Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I,
AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 21 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ.
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Gila River Indian Community in the State of Arizona. DATED this 3rd day of September, 2025

DISTRICT SIX RECREATION INVITES YOU TO...

TRUNK or treat

Mini Fest

Thursday, October 30, 2025

6:00pm - 9:00pm

Learning Center Parking Lot

5230 St Johns Rd, Laveen Village, AZ 85339

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Rec Coordinator - Whitney.Sharpe@gric.nsn.us

Rec Aide - Eliana.Rhodes@gric.nsn.us



Department of Land Use Planning and Zoning

PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE

Project Name:

For:

Location:

Date and Time of Public Hearing:

Place:

Riggs Road Storage

Zoning Change

East of Interstate 10 & North of Riggs Road

October 4, 2025 at 9:00 AM

District Four Service Center

Notice is hereby given that the Gila River Indian Community’s Natural Resources Standing Committee on **Saturday, October 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** in District Four at the Service Center 1510 West Sesame Street Sacaton, AZ 85147, will hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a Zoning Change Application submitted by Riggs Road Storage LLC for a proposed retail store and outdoor storage site.

The public hearing is to solicit public comments on the proposed Zoning Change and allow the Natural Resources Standing Committee to review and verify that the proposed Zoning Change, as it is submitted, contains such requirements and safeguards as are necessary to protect adjoining property and the public’s health and safety.

Public comments can be submitted prior to the public hearing by emailing the Department of Land Use Planning and Zoning at LUPZSupportGroup@gric.nsn.us and cc PlanningDevelopmentTeam@gric.nsn.us. Any questions may be directed to Corinna Ortiz, Project Manager at PlanningDevelopmentTeam@gric.nsn.us or (520) 562-6003.



If you have any questions, please contact the Planning Development Team at the Department of Land Use Planning & Zoning (520) 562-6003 Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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