



# GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

Community Council  
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The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council will be held **Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.**, Community Council Chambers, Governance Center, Sacaton, Arizona

## A G E N D A

### A. CALL TO ORDER

### B. INVOCATION

### C. ROLL CALL

### D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### E. PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Gila River Health Care Introduction of Kelsey Jones, Behavioral Health Services Medical Detox/ Crisis Stabilization Program Director
2. Gila River Telecommunications Inc. Formal Introduction of Chief Executive Officer, Clarice Chiago-Jones

GRHC Board of Directors  
Kerry Van Volkinburgh  
Kelsey Jones  
Dr. Anthony Santiago

Clarice Chiago-Jones  
GRTI Board of Directors

### F. REPORTS

- 1. FY2025 Judicial Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025) Anthony Hill
- 2. Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) David DeJong
- 3. Department of Transportation FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Steven Johnson
- 4. Department of Land Use Planning and Zoning – FY2025 Annual Report (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Kimberly Cooper  
Corinna Ortiz  
Talia Apkaw
- 5. Gila River Indian Irrigation and Drainage District – FY2025 Annual Report (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Jessica Romo
- 6. Department of Environmental Quality FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Lisa Gover

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- 7. Department of Public Works FY 2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Ron Grittman
- 8. Community Services Department – Elderly Nutrition Program  
FY2025 Annual Report (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Mary Dixon  
Laurie Thomas  
Joanne Brewer
- 9. Community Services Department – Nutrition Assistance Program  
FY2025 Annual Report (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Mary Dixon  
Laurie Thomas  
Joanne Brewer
- 10. Community Services Department – FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Laurie Thomas  
Joanne Brewer
- 11. VSD – FY2025 Annual Report Katherine Lewis  
Crystal Shebola  
Krystal Bergen-Tsosie
- 12. Community Services Department – Tribal Recreation & Wellness Program FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Sonja Luevano  
Laurie Thomas  
Joanne Brewer
- 13. Community Services Department – Elderly Services Program  
FY2025 Annual Report (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Lindsay Antone  
Laurie Thomas  
Joanne Brewer
- 14. Community Services Department – Elderly Services Program/  
Elders Concerns Group FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) Carol Schurz  
Joyce Eddie  
Lynelle Blackwater
- 15. Tribal Health Department FY2025 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025) James Tree
- 16. FY2025 TSS Annual Report Carol Colmenero  
Christina Lopez  
Julian Garza  
Curtis Slatina
- 17. Gila River Health Care Tobacco Tax Grant FY25 Annual Report  
(October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025) 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

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32. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report  
November 2025 (**Executive Session**)

Kenneth Manuel  
Dominic Orozco  
Blake Katsnelson  
Tony DeMark  
Majdi Kayyali  
Interim Oversight &  
Planning Committee

## G. RESOLUTIONS

- 1. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 912-A Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
  
- 2. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 1922 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Two Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
  
- 3. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 1923 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Two Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
  
- 4. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 2409 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District One Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
  
- 5. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 2756 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Seven Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
  
- 6. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 4294 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Six Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*

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Kimberly Cooper  
Corinna Ortiz  
Javier Ramos

(Resolutions continued)

- 7. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 3621 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River Indian Reservation  
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; G&MSC concurs)*
- 8. A Resolution Confirming That The Community Will Assume Ownership, Operation And Maintenance Of The New Roadway And Associated Infrastructure To Be Installed On "A" Street (A/K/A Edison Road) Within The Stotonic Presbyterian Subdivision  
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)*

Talia Apkaw  
Kimberly Cooper  
Corinna Ortiz  
Javier Ramos

Cheyenne Campbell

## H. ORDINANCES

### I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Gila River Health Care Board of Directors Two (2) Appointments  
**(Executive Session)**  
*(H&SSC forwards to Council Gila River Heath Care Board of Directors (2) Appointments under Unfinished Business in Executive Session)*  
*(H&SSC forwards to Council with a recommendation to appoint the two highest scoring individuals)*

Shannon White

### J. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Gila River Farms FY24 Audit  
*(G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with a recommendation to accept and placement on the consent agenda)*
- 2. Gila River Farms FY26 Initial Budget  
*(G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*
- 3. Gila River Gaming Commissioner Declaration of Vacancies (3)  
*(LSC forwards to Council under New Business to declare (3) vacancies and advertise for 60 days subject to a background check)*
- 4. International Repatriation Invitation,  
THPO Report No. 2025-019  
*(CRSC forwards to Council for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)*
- 5. AAIA 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Repatriation Conference - Virtual  
*(CRSC forwards to Council as Information and placement on the consent agenda)*

Gila River Farm Board  
Benito Alvarez, Jr.  
Kimberly Fisher

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Shannon White

Relynne Williams  
Darius Enos

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**K. MINUTES**

1. November 1, 2025 (Special)
2. November 5, 2025 (Regular)
3. December 17, 2025 (Regular)

**L. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

- Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM
- ♦ Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)