



GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

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The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council will be held **Wednesday, October 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. Introduction to Community Services Department Deputy
Director Kyromi Martinez-Pablo Laurie Thomas
- ♦ 2. Introduction to Nutrition Assistance Program - Community
Nutrition Program Manager - Nancee Calderon Laurie Thomas
- ♦ 3. Introduction to District Four Multi-Purpose Facility Coordinator
Christopher Mendoza Laurie Thomas
- ♦ 4. Introduction to District Three Multi-Purpose Facility Assistant
Coordinator - Kenyen Thompson Laurie Thomas
- 5. Introduction to District Five Multi-Purpose Facility Coordinator -
Joseph Davis Laurie Thomas
Michael Preston
- 6. Introduction to District Seven Multi-Purpose Facility Coordinator -
Ruthie Ringlero-Angel Laurie Thomas
Michael Preston

F. REPORTS

- 1. Pee Posh Veteran's Association 3rd Quarter Budget Report Arnie Bread, Sr.
Veronica Kinsel
- 2. Pee-Posh Veteran's 4th Quarter Budget Report Arnie Bread, Sr.
Veronica Kinsel
- 3. Pee-Posh Veteran's Annual Budget Report Arnie Bread, Sr.
Veronica Kinsel

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| 4. Gila River Gaming Commission Department Report to the Community Council August 2026 (Executive Session) | Gaming Commissioners
Jerry Higginson |
| 5. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report August 2026 (Executive Session) | Kenneth Manuel
Dominic Orozco
Blake Katsnelson
Tony DeMark
Majdi Kayyali
Sr. Leadership Team
Oversight & Planning
Committee |
| 6. FY2026 Financial Activity Report ending August 31, 2026 (Executive Session) | Treasurer Gary T. Mix |
| 7. Investment Schedule (Executive Session) | Treasurer Gary T. Mix |

G. RESOLUTIONS

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| 1. A Resolution Amending The Tribal Education Allocation Policy
<i>(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval; ESC concurs)</i> | Lance Reyna |
| ➤ 2. A Resolution Approving A 9-1-1 Program Grant Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Arizona Department Of Administration
<i>(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)</i> | Teresa Villescaz |
| ➤ 3. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-242-19 And Approving The Plan Of Operation For The Gila River Farms
<i>(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC concurs)</i> | Benito Alvarez, Jr.
Ron Henderson
Gila River Farms Board |
| ➤ 4. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 3432 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation
<i>(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)</i> | Talia Apkaw
Sara Lucas |
| ➤ 5. A Resolution Authorizing The Registration Of The Gila River Indian Community Seal As A Trademark With The United States Patent And Trademark Office
<i>(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; CRSC concurs)</i> | Gabe Dowell |

(Resolutions continued)

- 6. A Resolution Of Consent To Grant A Temporary Special Event Liquor License To Maketai, Inc For Use At The Rawhide Festival Grounds On October 30, 2026 And October 31, 2026
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Lorenzo Sierra IV
Jazmine Lawson-Warren
- 7. A Resolution Of Consent To Grant A Temporary Special Event Liquor License To Maketai, Inc. For Use At The Rawhide Event Center And Sonoran Lawn On October 30, 2026
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Lorenzo Sierra IV
Jazmine Lawson-Warren
- 8. A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Allotted Trust Land Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation Allotments 3172 and 4557
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC concurs)
Javier Ramos
- 9. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For Glencroft Friendship Foundation, Inc., Glencroft Farmers Market
G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda
Cheryl Pablo
- 10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For Midwestern University, Community Dental Assistance Program
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Cheryl Pablo
- 11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For OCJ Kids, Improving Foster Youths' Physical, Mental And Emotional Health And Well-Being Program
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Cheryl Pablo
- 12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For Pathway To Work, Pathways To Possibilities Program
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)
Cheryl Pablo

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- 13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Yavapai County For Yarnell Regional Community Center, Bridging Generations: Character, Community And Outdoor Learning Project
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 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 Casa Grande Police Department, Bicycle Purchase
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 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 The United Methodist Church Of Casa Grande, The Tranquil Community Garden
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Agua Fria Food And Clothing Bank
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Arouet Foundation, Arouet's 2026 Reentry Prosperity Model
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 18. 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) Cheryl Pablo
- 19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Higher Octave Healing, Music Therapy Programs
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo

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- 20. 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 Project
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Mission Of Mercy, Access To Healthcare For Uninsured Individuals And Families Program
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Paradise Valley Community Food Bank, Nourishing Neighbors Project
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Ronald McDonald House® Central And Northern Arizona, Repairs And Maintenance To Roanoke House
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For St. Mary's Food Bank, Skill Center
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 25. 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 For Adults With Intellectual And Developmental Disabilities
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 26. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Pinal County Economic And Workforce Development Department, Economic And Workforce Access Opportunity Initiative
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo

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- 27. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For F.O.R. Maricopa Food Bank
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 28. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Good Shepherd Healing Ministries Horse Rescue DBA Good Shepherd Horse Rescue And Learning Center, Hay Barn Project
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 29. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Little Whiskers Animal Rescue, Care Before Crisis Project
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Paramount Foundation Of Central Arizona, Inc., Paramount Community Arts, Cultural Heritage And Wellness Initiative
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 31. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Pinal County Public Health / Family Advocacy Centers, Medical Forensic Record Update
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 32. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Pinal County Sheriff's Office, Detention / Transportation Vehicle Replacement
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo
- 33. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Regional Fire & Rescue Department, Inc., Communications, Facilities Support And Apparatus Maintenance
(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo

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- 34. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For San Tan Valley Veterans Center, General Operating Support
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*Cheryl Pablo
- 35. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For Sun Life Family Health Center's, Improving Access To Pediatric Dental Care Through Teledentistry Project
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*Cheryl Pablo
- 36. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For Tempe Union High School District #213, Circle Of Nations Pathway Program
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*Cheryl Pablo
- 37. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Fountain Hills For Fountain Hills Unified School District, Native American Cultural Center And Club
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*Cheryl Pablo
- 38. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Marana For Marana Parks And Recreation Department, Community Swim Lessons
*(G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)*Cheryl Pablo
- 39. A Resolution Approving A Lease Between The Gila River Indian Community And John Deere Construction And Forestry Company For The Operation Of A Heavy Equipment Demonstration Site And Ancillary Activities And Related Groundwater Use Agreement
*(NRSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; EDSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval with additional material and placement on the consent agenda)*John M. Martin
Teresa L. Mandelin
Todd Araujo

H. ORDINANCES

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Gila River Health Care Community Health Needs Assessment
(H&SSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

GRHC Board of Directors
Dr. Viji Murugavel
Dr. Yvonne Bueno
Dr. Anthony Santiago

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Housing Owner's Team Vacancy (1)
(G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business to select a representative from District #5 at the October 7, 2026 Council meeting)

Housing Owner's Team

2. Gila River Indian Community Transitional Housing Program
(G&MSC directs the Standing Committee Assistant to coordinate with the H&SSC Assistant to plan a work session between the H&SSC and Transitional Housing Team Members in Tucson and to tour homeless programs in Tucson, also to forward to Council under New Business to allow any interested Council Member to attend utilizing dues and delegations; H&SSC concurs)

Transitional Housing
Team Members

3. Responses for Federal Lobbying RFP (**Executive Session**)
G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with a recommendation to forward the RFP applications to the Litigation Team for review and interviews, and to provide a recommendation back to Community Council)

Javier Ramos
Michael Carter

4. Certification of the Gila River Indian Community 2026 Primary Election Results
(LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation to certify the 2026 Primary Election Results)

Shannon White
Audrey Evans

5. Vassar College Annual Ceremony
(CRSC forwards to Council for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)

Reylynne Williams
Darius Enos
Tevin McCandless

6. Association on American Indian Affairs 12th Annual Repatriation Conference – Virtual
(CRSC forwards to Council as information)

Reylynne Williams
Darius Enos

K. MINUTES

1. March 18, 2026 (Regular)
2. September 2, 2026 (Regular)
3. September 16, 2026 (Regular)

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS

M. ADJOURNMENT

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