APPROVED AGENDA OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

SPECIAL SESSION VIA TELECONFERENCE
May 15, 2020 - 10:00 AM

Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)

PRESIDING: Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker, 24th Navajo Nation Council

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION

2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS

3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA

   (m) Honorable Pernell Halona (s) Honorable Eugene Tso (v) 21 - 0

4. OLD BUSINESS: None

5. NEW BUSINESS:

   (A) LEGISLATION 0048-20: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and
Finance, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving Supplemental
Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the Amount of Two Million Dollars
($2,000,000.00) for the Navajo Nation's Department of Justice Water Rights Litigation Unit to
Continue Litigating on Behalf of the Navajo Nation and to Protect the Navajo Nation's Water
Rights; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§ 820 (E) and (F) 2/3

   SPONSOR: Honorable Elmer P. Begay

   (m) (s) (v)

   (B) LEGISLATION 0081-20: An Action Relating to an Emergency for the Navajo Nation;
Approving Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance in the
Amount of Two Million, Four Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty-Seven dollars
($2,416,747) to the Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety 2/3

   SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton
   CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Jamie Henio
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso

(C) LEGISLATION 0101-20: An Action Relating to Naabik’íyáti’ and Navajo Nation Council; Overriding the Navajo Nation President’s Veto of Navajo Nation Council Resolution CAP-18-20 2/3
SPONSOR: Honorable Jamie Henio

(D) LEGISLATION 0102-20: An Action Relating to Naabik’íyáti’ and Navajo Nation Council; Overriding the Navajo Nation President’s Veto of Navajo Nation Council Resolution CAP-19-20 2/3
SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Mark A. Freeland
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.

(E) LEGISLATION 0103-20: An Action Relating to Naabik’íyáti’ and Navajo Nation Council; Overriding the Navajo Nation President’s Veto of Navajo Nation Council Resolution CAP-17-20 2/3
SPONSOR: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Mark A. Freeland
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Otto Tso
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.

(F) LEGISLATION 0120-20: An Action Relating to an Emergency for the Navajo Nation; Overriding the Navajo Nation President’s Veto of Navajo Nation Council Resolution CAP-28-20 2/3
SPONSOR: Honorable Paul Begay

(G) LEGISLATION 0112-20: An Action Relating to an Emergency: Waiving 13 N.N.C. §§ 1901-1903 (Burial Statute), 13 N.N.C. §§ 1951-1953 (Cemeteries), 16 N.N.C. §§ 2251-2253 (Navajo Nation Civil Trespass Act), 16 N.N.C. §§ 2301 et seq. (Navajo Nation General Leasing Regulations) as Relates to Obtaining a Lease for Family Burial Plots, Guidance on Burials, Community Cemeteries, Family Plot Burials and Related Services Section (G), RDCJN-33-15, the Navajo Land Department’s Land Withdrawal Designation Regulations, and, RDCO-74-16, and Homesite Lease Regulations Section 17.08 (J) to Allow Family Members to Bury their Loved Ones in Family Burial Plots During this State of Emergency Due to the COVID-19 Virus; Waivers to be for a Limited Time; and Compensation and Due Process Pursuant to 16 N.N.C. 1401 et seq. Shall be Afforded to Land Users who have not Consented to the Use of their Land for Family Burial Plots 2/3
SPONSOR: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty
CO-SPONSOR: Honorable Seth Damon

the Navajo Nation Permanent Fund Income Five Year Expenditure Plan and Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 1162 (B) for a Limited Time Period”; Reallocating Funds in Year 4 from Office Buildings to the To’hajiilee Development Plan  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Jamie Henio  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Honorable Daniel E. Tso

(m) (s) (v)

(I) **LEGISLATION 0042-20:** An Act Relating to Law and Order, Health, Education and Human Services, Naabik’íyáti’ and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending Diné College Board of Regents Qualifications Provisions at 10 N.N.C. §§ 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2008; Superintendent and Board of Education Members  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Daniel E. Tso

(m) (s) (v)

(J) **LEGISLATION 0049-20:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee, Naabik’íyáti’ Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Rescinding CO-47-12; Re-affirming CAP-11-11; and Respectfully Requesting the United States Congress Enact Legislation Consistent with the Principles Stated in CAP-11-11 and the Eastern Navajo Agency Land Consolidation Goals of the Navajo Nation  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Mark A. Freeland  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Honorable Otto Tso  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Honorable Edmund Yazzie

(m) (s) (v)

(K) **LEGISLATION 0109-20:** An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee, Naabik’íyáti’ Committee and Navajo Nation Council; Extending Resolution CJN-24-19, Approving and Authorizing the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry to Extend and Expand the Hemp Pilot Research Project with New Mexico State University Under the Provisions of the 2014 Farm Bill; Creating a Singular Exception to the Navajo Nation’s Prohibition on the Cultivation, Growth, Possession, Development or Propagation of Hemp  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Rickie Nez

(m) (s) (v)

(L) **LEGISLATION 0113-20:** An Act Relating to Law and Order Committee, Naabik’íyáti’ Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Enacting 17 N.N.C. § 338 Excessive Pricing during a Declared State of Emergency  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)

(M) **LEGISLATION 0115-20:** An Action Relating to Law And Order, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Waiving 12 N.N.C. §§ 301 et seq.; Enacting the “Navajo Nation CARES Fund Act” by Amending Title 12 of the Navajo Nation Code and Establishing “The Navajo Nation CARES Fund” to be Comprised of the Nation’s Share of the Coronavirus Relief Fund Received from the United States Pursuant to Title V of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, And Economic Security Act (“CARES ACT”)  

**SPONSOR:** Honorable Seth Damon

(m) (s) (v)
6. REPORTS

(A) Report on Alcohol Bootlegging on the Navajo Nation by Jesse Delmar, Executive Director – Division of Public Safety, and Phillip Francisco, Navajo Nation Public Safety Police Chief

(B) Report on Facility Use Agreement Needing Tribal Resolutions by Bartholomew Stevens, Regional Director – Navajo Region/Bureau of Indian Affairs

(C) Report on IHS/638 Hospitals by Roselyn Tso, Navajo Area Indian Health Services Director, and Paulson Chaco, Chief of Staff – Office of the President/Vice President

7. CLOSE OF SESSION; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT