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TITLE: An Action Relating to Law and Order Committee; Approving an Allocation of Two-Million Nine-Hundred Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$2,930,511.00) from the Judicial/Public Safety Fund, to the Window Rock Judicial District, for the Purchase of the Modular Window Rock Judicial Complex New

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0022-21

DATE: February 17, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: RELATING TO LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE; APPROVING AN ALLOCATION OF TWO-MILLION NINE-HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED ELEVEN DOLLARS (\$2,930,511.00) FROM THE JUDICIAL/PUBLIC SAFETY FUND, TO THE WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT, FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE MODULAR WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL COMPLEX
NEW

PURPOSE: To approve an allocation of two-million nine-hundred thirty thousand five hundred eleven dollars (\$2,930,511.00) from the Judicial/Public Safety Fund, to the Window Rock Judicial District, for the purchase of the Modular Window Rock Judicial Complex.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.

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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
2 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—THIRD YEAR, 2021

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9 AN ACTION

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11 TWO-MILLION NINE-HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED ELEVEN
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13 WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT, FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE MODULAR
14 WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL COMPLEX *NEW*

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16 BE IT ENACTED:

17 **Section One. Authority**

- 18 A. The Navajo Nation established the Law and Order Committee (LOC) as a Navajo
19 Nation standing committee. 2 N.N.C. § 600 (A)
20 B. The Judicial/Public Safety Facilities Fund Management Plan empowers the Law and
21 Order Committee to establish a fund priority list to use of funds from the
22 Judicial/Public Safety Facilities Fund. Resolution BFD-66-11.

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24 **Section Two. Findings**

- 25 A. The revenue from the Navajo Sales Tax is deposited into the Judicial/Public Safety
26 Fund that is managed by a Fund Management Plan. BFD-66-11.
27 B. The Judicial/Public Safety Facilities Fund Management Plan is attached as **Exhibit A**.
28 C. The Judicial/Public Safety Fund is a special revenue fund to provide funding for
29 judicial and public safety facilities as approved by the Law and Order Committee.

- 1 D. Resolution LOCJN-04-17 approved the Judicial/Public Safety Facilities Fund Priority
2 List for Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018; Window Rock, Navajo Nation – Judicial/Public
3 Safety Facilities was placed as priority number one (1). Resolution LOCJN-04-17 is
4 attached as **Exhibit B**.
- 5 E. The Window Rock Judicial District is requesting \$2,930,511.00 for the purchase of
6 the Judicial Modular Complex/Facility; to include design and engineering services
7 along with the preparation and installation of the modular complex. *See* Navajo
8 Nation Supplemental Funding Proposal Summary as **Exhibit C**.
- 9 F. Chief Justice JoAnn Jayne has accepted the Engineering Fee and Preliminary
10 Construction Proposal from NEZ/FCI Native American LLC incorporated herein as
11 **Exhibit D**.
- 12 G. A Land Withdrawal has been completed within the Fort Defiance Chapter endorsed
13 by Fort Defiance Grazing Officer, Herman Billie. Land assignment has undergone
14 appropriate Biological and Cultural clearances. *See* General Land Development
15 Department checklist packet and memo from Herman Billie as **Exhibit E**.
- 16 H. Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2021 Program Budget Summary forms are attached as
17 **Exhibit F**.
- 18 I. The Office of the Controller provided the balance in the Judicial/Public Safety Fund,
19 and as of December 31, 2020, \$14,967,745 is available as indicated in **Exhibit G**.
- 20 J. The Judicial Branch, Window Rock District, has supplied a Facility Needs &
21 Timeline attached as **Exhibit H**.

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23 **Section Three. Approving the Budget Allocation**

24 The Law and Order Committee hereby approves the allocation from the
25 Judicial/Public Safety Fund in the amount of \$2,930,511.00 to the Window Rock Judicial
26 District for the purchase of the modular complex, Business Unit #NEW, for the purchase
27 and installation of the new Window Rock Judicial Modular Complex.
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