RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, February 25, 2022
10:00 a.m.

APPROVED AGENDA

PRESIDING: Honorable Rickie Nez, Chairperson
Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr., Vice-Chairperson

LOCATION: via Telecommunications
Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833
Zoom Meeting ID: 732-628-2566
Passcode: 86515

1. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements:

   [ ] Rickie Nez (C)  [ ] Thomas Walker, Jr. (VC)  [ ] Kee Allen Begay, Jr.
   [ ] Herman M. Daniels, Jr.  [ ] Mark A. Freeland  [ ] Wilson C. Stewart, Jr.

2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:

   M:  S:  V:

   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

4. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s): None.

   M:  S:  V:

   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

5. Receiving Reports:

   A. Report from Tucson Electric Power Company on the Renewal of a Right of Way
   for a Transmission System on the Navajo Nation.  Presenter: Shannon Breslin,
   Land Manager, and Steven Eddy, Manager of Government Affairs, Tucson Electric
   Power Company.

   M:  S:  V:

   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )
6. **Old Business:**

   A. **Legislation #0015-22:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Approving the Fiscal Year 2021 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 from the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant Funding. **Sponsor:** Honorable Mark A. Freeland


      *Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr (  ) KABegayJr (  ) HMDaniels (  ) MAFreeland (  ) WStewartJr (   ) RickieNez (  )*

7. **New Business:**

   A. **CONSENT AGENDA**

      **Legislation #0014-22:** An Action Relating to Health Education and Human Services, Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti' Committees; Supporting and Recommending the Passage of United States Senate Bill 1740 Titled “Schools and State Budgets Certainty Act of 2021”. **Sponsor:** Honorable Daniel E. Tso

      **Legislation #0024-22:** An Action Relating to the Resources and Development, Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, Law and Order, and Naabik’íyáti Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Veterans Trust Fund at 12 N.N.C. §1176 to Create Separate Business Unit Numbers When Funding Navajo Veterans’ Organizations. **Sponsor:** Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr. **Co-Sponsor:** Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty

      **Legislation #0033-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees; Supporting the Arcadian Infracom Partnership with the Navajo Nation to Construct and Operate a Broadband Fiberoptic Communications Network Across the Navajo Nation. **Sponsor:** Honorable Rickie Nez

      **Legislation #0035-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’íyáti’ Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving $400,000 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance (“UUFB”) to Pay State Property Taxes and Grazing Fees for Navajo Nation Fee Lands Under the Department of Agriculture Ranch and Eastern Land Management Program; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F), and § 820(J) to Allow Use of UUFB Funds for Recurring Expenses. **Sponsor:** Honorable Rickie Nez

   **Main Motion:**
   
      Motion: Honorable Mark A. Freeland
      Second: Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr.
      Vote: 4-0-1; Motion Passed; Chairperson Not Voting
B. **Legislation #0027-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, and Budget and Finance Committee; Accepting the Auditor General’s Audit Report of the Fish and Wildlife Department (“FWD”) and the Corrective Action Plan Proposed by FWD.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Mark A. Freeland
   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

C. **Legislation #0029-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, and Budget and Finance Committee; Accepting the Auditor General’s Audit Report of the Standing Rock Chapter and the Chapter’s Proposed Corrective Action Plan.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Mark A. Freeland
   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

D. **Legislation #0030-22:** An Act Relating to the Resources and Development, and Budget and Finance Committees; Establishing the Abandoned Uranium Mines Enterprise Fund (“AUM Enterprise Fund”); Approving the Related Fund Management Plan; and Allocating $99,787 from the Navajo EPA AUM Settlement Funds Account as the Initial Amount to be Deposited into the New AUM Enterprise Fund.  
   **Sponsor:** Honorable Mark A. Freeland
   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

8. **Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment.  
   
   Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

**THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE:** The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committee at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2.N.N.C. §§163 and 183. Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7 and Standing Committee Rule of Order No. 8.