

AGENDA Public Hearing on Legislation 0232-16 23 NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

December 21, 2016 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Navajo Nation Museum, Window Rock, AZ

- 1. Invocation
- 2. Introduction
- 3. Purpose of the Public Hearing
 - On November 17, 2016, Navajo Nation Council issued a directive to hold a public hearing to give the public an opportunity to speak on the housing issues & concerns
 - All public comments will be summarized in a report prior to Council's consideration of Legislation 0232-16
- 4. Overview of Legislation 0232-16
 - Legislation was introduced in July 2016, it seeks to rescind NNC Resolution CD-82-03
 - If approved it will remove NHA as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE) and designate NN Division of Community Development's Community Housing and Infrastructure Department as the TDHE
- 5. Overview of the Federal Policy on TDHE Designation
 - On January 3, 1996, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) PL 104-330 became law & it recognized the right of tribal self-governance.
 - The Navajo Nation as a sovereign nation, receives direct federal funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development through its TDHE, NHA.
 - The Navajo Nation designated NHA to administer its housing programs with the NAHASDA federal dollars. According to NAHASDA, a Tribe can designate a department within the tribe, tribal housing authority with separate board of commissioners, or a nonprofit organization as its TDHE. The TDHE is then designated by the tribe to receive HUD funds and must comply with the rules and requirements of the program
- 6. Overview of the NNC Designation of NHA as the TDHE
 - In December 2003, the NNC passed Resolution CD-82-03, designating the NHA as the NN's TDHE
- 7. Public Comment (3 minutes)
- 8. Close of Public Hearing