



## Memorandum

To: General Council Officers; General Council Executive Assjstant  
From: Alan Crawford, General Council Chairman *Alan Crawford*  
Date: August 20, 2024  
Re: 2024 Actions to date

This year has been busy and to note some of the actions taken at General Council meetings, I will list below:

- January 11, 2024 – Special General Council meeting called for by petition, lead petitioner Marie Crawford. The motion resulting from that meeting was **“It is a fallacy that the board has all the power to make votes for tribal people. We are at the top of the organizational chart. That's why when we call for a special General Council, we get that option, and all the board and general council members are present and accounted for because they answer us. We're at the top of the food chain. We can talk about this all day. Everybody has their opinion. Everybody can make their own choice. That is correct. In that vein, I motion to rescind the board's vote and put this matter as a referendum on the next election ballot. To say should Umatilla's sell alcohol at the Arrowhead Truck Stop and Mission market.”** This motion was made by Dr. Eugena Stacona and seconded by Cathy Sampson-Kruse and passed thirty-three (33) FOR; seventeen (17) AGAINST; and four (4) ABSTAIN.

As a result, WRC has halted the process of implementing alcohol sales at the Arrowhead Travel Plaza and forwarded to the Election Commission.

- May 16, 2024 – Regular General Council meeting after BOT Treasurer 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report, **“Motion to implement an assessment for UTFD to determine if current services are adequate for the service area (Housing, WRC & 1-84 and population.”** The motion was made by Denise Wickert, seconded by Eugena Stacona and passed by voice vote with one abstaining.

This motion has been sent to the Office of The Executive Director for follow-up action.

- August 1, 2024 – Special General Council meeting called for by petition, lead petitioner Denise Wickert. The topic of the meeting was Nixyaawii Community Financial Services (NCFS). Lengthy discussion of the tribal member concerns with services provided by NCFS as well as the length of time to process however no motions were made.
- August 15, 2024 – Regular General Council meeting after the Annual Investment Report **“Motion to remove the constraints on direct investment opportunities for the tribe on investment companies engaged in crude oil and coal, etc.”** The motion was made by Althea Huesties-Wolf, seconded by Sam Spino and passed by voice vote with two abstaining.

This motion will be discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting on August 26, 2024.