MEMORANDUM

Date: September 28, 2020

To: The Honorable Betty Villegas,
   District 5 Member
   Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
       County Administrator

Re: Emergency Voting for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe

As you have indicated, the Pascua Yaqui have made available their Council Chambers for emergency voting. Based on current law, emergency voting may only take place upon the completion of regular early voting. For the November 3, 2020 General Election early voting ends at 5:00 pm on October 30, 2020.

Emergency voting may be conducted from October 31, 2020 to 5:00 pm on November 2, 2020. Voters who wish to vote at an emergency voting center must provide identification and sign an affidavit that states that the voter became aware of an event, after the close of regular early voting, that will prevent them from casting their vote at the polling location on Election Day.

The largest drawback is an emergency vote center must be able to serve all registered voters in Pima County, which means the center must have access to the Countywide voter registration file and be able to print any ballot through a print-on-demand process. As I have indicated previously, those two elements are under the control of the County Recorder.

Assuming the Pascua Yaqui Tribe will provide an accessible office space to conduct an emergency voting center, obtaining the resources and personnel to staff such a location is certainly possible; however, the center must have access to the Recorder’s Voter Registration Database and a valid on-demand printer both of which are under the Recorder’s control as I have previously stated.

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c: The Honorable Chairman and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
   The Honorable F. Ann Rodriguez, Pima County Recorder
   John Voorhees, Assistant County Administrator
   Brad Nelson, Director, Elections Department