

# COMANCHE

## Comanche Business Committee Regular Monthly Meeting

DATE: March 1, 2025

TIME: 10:00 AM

### CODE TALKER CONFERENCE ROOM

**I. Call to Order:** Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

**II. Roll Call**

- Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman
- Diana Doyebi-Sovo, Vice Chairwoman
- Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer
- Hazel Tahsequah, Committeewoman No. 1
- Ross Kahrahrhah, Committeeman No. 2
- Alice Kassanavoid, Committeewoman No. 3
- Jordan Fox, Committeeman No. 4

**Invocation**

- **Chairman Report**
- **Vice-Chairman Report**
- **Secretary/Treasurer Report**
- **Tribal Administrator Report**
- **Tribal Attorney Report**

**III. New Business**

- Resolution No. 35-2025- Enrollment Eligible Resolution List 1359 Minors
- Resolution No. 36-2025- Enrollment Eligible Resolution List 1360 Adults
- Resolution No. 37-2025- Enrollment Ineligible Resolution List 1361 Does Not Meet BQ
- Resolution No. 38-2025- Enrollment Resolution List 1362 To Remove
- Resolution No. 39-2025- Injury Prevention Resolution for Grant Application IHSP 2025
- Resolution No. 40-2025- Law Enforcement Resolution for DOJ COPS Grant
- Resolution No. 41-2025- Law Enforcement Resolution for DOJ SMART Adam Walsh Grant 2025
- Resolution No. 42-2025- Transportation Resolution for Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Funds
- Resolution No. 43-2025- Natural Resources Resolution for Tribal Community Resilience Grant Funds
- Resolution No. 44-2025- Natural Resources Resolution for Carry Over Funds
- Resolution No. 45-2025- Natural Resources Resolution to Purchase East Gore Property
- Resolution No. 46-2025- CBC Resolution Regarding Constitution Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Resolution No. 47-2025- CBC Resolution Amending Election Ordinance
- Resolution No. 48-2025- CBC Resolution Appointing Ad Hoc Subcommittee Regarding Elder Care

**IV. Old Business**

**V. Executive Session**

**VI. Tribal Council Remarks**

**VII. Adjourned**



## March Monthly Meeting

### AGENDA STRAW POLL

Pursuant to the CBC Meeting Procedures, an agenda-setting work session was held February 25, 2025. The results of the straw poll are below. Votes are for whether an item should be tentatively placed on the March CBC monthly meeting agenda. The votes are nonbinding and the agenda may be amended at the CBC March monthly meeting pursuant to the CBC Meeting Procedures and Robert's Rules of Order.

#### New Business

1. Eligible Resolution List 1359 Minors (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
2. Eligible Resolution List 1360 Adults (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
3. Ineligible Resolution List 1361 Blood Quantum (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
4. Resolution to Remove List 1362 (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
5. Resolution for Grant Application IHSP 2025 (Sponsor: Injury Prevention)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
6. Resolution for DOJ COPS Grant (Sponsor: Law Enforcement)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox

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- b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah (absent)
7. Resolution for DOJ SMART Adam Walsh Grant (Sponsor: Law Enforcement)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
8. Resolution for Tribal Climate Resource Funds (Sponsor: Natural Resources/Realty)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
9. Resolution for FHWA Funds (Sponsor: Transportation)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
10. Resolution Authorizing Use of New Business and Land Acquisition Carry Over (Sponsor: Natural Resources/Realty)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
11. Resolution Authorizing Use of New Business and Land Acquisition Carry Over (Sponsor: Natural Resources/Realty)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
12. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of East Gore Property (Sponsor: Natural Resources/Realty)
- a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
13. Resolution Authorizing Comanche Academy to Enter into JOM Contract (Sponsor: CBC)
- a. TABLED

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14. Resolution Regarding Constitution Day and Martin Luther King, Jr Day (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None
  
15. Resolution Regarding Comanche Tribal Preference in Hiring, Promotion, and Recruitment (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. TABLED
  
16. Resolution Amending Election Ordinance (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahhah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: None

## **Old Business**

## **Executive Session**

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## RESOLUTION

### List No. 1359

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list containing applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** the list includes the names of applicants who have been **verified as eligible** pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c) Membership, of the Constitution of the Comanche Nation which states “All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of the Article, having one-eighth (1/8) or more degree of Comanche Indian Blood;” and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Business Committee accept the verification of eligibility for the applicants as shown on **List No. 1359** by the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office notify the eligible applicant by letter of their approved membership and further that the enrolled member be provided information concerning their enrollment, including name, date of birth, roll number, social security number and degree of Comanche blood.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2025, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_ for, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

# COMANCHE

## List No. 1359

Constitution and By-Laws, “The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: All the Descendants of allottees **eligible for membership** under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of the Article, having one-eight (1/8) or more degree of COMANCHE Indian Blood.”

- *Eligible*                      *Minors* -                      *\*Online FORMAT\**

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Name	Sex	DOB	BQ	STATE
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**Brock, Frances Fontaine**

**Cossey, Grayson Scott**

**Cowman, Tanner Paul**

**Cozad-Ryan, Trinity Jonise**

**Harjo, Cecil James**

**Jeske, Dakota Rosalyn**

**Jeske, Malakai Benjamin**

**Patton, Brison Phoenix Cowman**

**Perez, Alayna Angelina**

**Perez Jr., Daniel Alberto**

**Petty, Ensley Rae**

**Simmons, Quinetta Rose**

**Taptto, William Jude**

**Taylor, Kashton James**

**Wahkinney, Lander Wayne**

**Walston, Lena Halena-Lynn**

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- *Eligible*                      *Minors* -                      *\*Online FORMAT\**

Name	Sex	DOB	BQ	STATE
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Yarbrough, A'Don Yahweh

Yarbrough, Amastery Sherie

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## RESOLUTION

### List No. 1360

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list containing **adult** applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the list includes the names of applicants who have been verified as eligible pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c) Membership, of the Constitution of the Comanche Nation which states “All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of the Article, having one-eighth (1/8) or more degree of Comanche Indian Blood;” and

**WHEREAS**, the list of applicants is considered **adults but have not been enrolled in any other tribe** and the documentary evidence is on file with the Enrollment Office; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Business Committee accept the verification of eligibility for the applicants as shown on **List No. 1360** by the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office notify the eligible applicant by letter of their approved membership and further that the enrolled member be provided information concerning their enrollment, including name, date of birth, roll number, social security number and degree of Comanche blood.

## CERTIFICATION

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**



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List No. 1360

Determined to be eligible pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c), Membership of the Comanche Constitution and By-Laws, "The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: All the Descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of the Article, having one-eight (1/8) or more degree COMANCHE Indian Blood."

***-ONLINE FORMAT-***

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Name	Sex	Date of Birth	Blood Degree	State
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**Brock, Amy Alayne**

**Cowman, Manuel Da'Vallan**

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## RESOLUTION

### List No. 1361

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list of applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the documentary evidence on file with the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office and information furnished by each applicant named on **List No. 1361** does not possess the required one-eighth (1/8) degree Comanche blood as provided by Article III Section 1(c) of the Comanche Constitution.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that each applicant named on the attached **List No. 1361** is determined to be **ineligible for membership** with the Comanche Nation of Oklahoma because they **do not meet** the provisions of Article III, Section 3(c) of the Comanche Nation's Constitution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each applicant on **List No. 1361** be officially notified of their rejection for membership, stating the reason for such determination and including the appropriate appeals provisions.

### CERTIFICATION

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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## List No. 1361

The applicants named below **do not qualify** for enrollment pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c), “The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: “All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of this article, having one eighth (1/8) or more degree Comanche Indian Blood.”

### *Ineligible Blood Quantum “ONLINE FORMAT”*

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NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	BLOOD DEGREE
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**Eastman, Carson Bradley**

**Mowatt, Tasia Malee**



**RESOLUTION**

**List No. 1362**

**WHEREAS,** The Comanche Nation Constitution establishes the Comanche Business Committee as the duly elected official body designated to conduct business for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation in legal quorum; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article VI – Business Committee, Section 7(a) states that “the duties, responsibilities and authorities of the business committee shall include the following: (a) to establish and maintain the tribal membership roll.”; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation Constitution Article III Membership Section 1(b) which states, “the membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: (b) All living direct descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of this Article born on or before the date of adoption of this constitution”; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation Enrollment Rules and Regulations, Section 6 (9) – Loss of membership, states that “the Comanche Business Committee shall have the authority to disenroll any member who is found not to be eligible for tribal membership pursuant to the tribe’s constitutional membership requirements, after having been initially approved for membership.”; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee has been presented documentary evidence from the Comanche Nation Enrollment office, showing the adult tribal member(s) failed to comply with Resolution No. 80-17: and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Business Committee approves Resolution No. 38-2025, **List No. 1362** to remove the adult tribal member(s); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office will notify the tribal member by letter of their removal from the Comanche Nation membership roll. The Comanche Nation Enrollment Office will also notify City National Bank that any current and/or previous Per-capita /elder funds be transferred to the Comanche Nation’s Unallocated Accounts.

**CERTIFICATION**

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, INDIAN HIGHWAY SAFETY OCCUPANT PROTECTION  
GRANT (IHSP)**

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation sees the critical need to reduce the number of traffic crashes, deaths, injuries, and property damage within these populations; and

**WHEREAS**, Indian Highway Safety Grants are financial assistance grants that are reimbursable and available to federally recognized tribes; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Highway Safety Occupant Protection Grant (IHSP) Program has funds available for the purchase of child safety equipment to accomplish this purpose; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorize the submission of an application for the USDI-BIA IHSP Program grant BIA-IHSP-2025-002; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign all necessary papers and instruments for such grant, including award agreements and modifications; and

**BE FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, **2025**, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_ for, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

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**Forrest Tahdoohnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DOJ COPS GRANT

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the secretary of the Interior on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, education and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee sees the critical need for additional resources and/or equipment to strengthen the current police capabilities to prevent crime, prepare for unseen events, protect against threats, and respond to criminal activities within their jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Justice has funds available that will pay for up to [REDACTED] for equipment needed in the defense of Public Safety and/or Community Policing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Comanche Business Committee acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation does hereby authorize and approve the submission of the grant application to the Department of Justice, CTAS funding opportunity number O-BJA-2025-172288; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign all necessary papers and instruments for such grant, including award agreements and modifications; and

**BE FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2025, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_ for, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
SMART FY25 SUPPORT FOR ADAM WALSH ACT IMPLEMENTATION GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation sees the critical need to assist federally recognized Indian Tribes with implementation and ongoing maintenance of requirements under the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, specifically Subtitle A of Title I of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA); and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice, SMART FY25 Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant has funds available up to a maximum of [REDACTED] for thirty-six months to accomplish this purpose; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorize Comanche Nation Law Enforcement to apply for the SMART FY25 Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign all necessary papers and instruments for such grant, including award agreements and modifications; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2025, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_ for, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COMANCHE NATION OF OKLAHOMA, ASSUMPTION OF TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONS UNDER THE “SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2021 (STRA -21) ALSO, KNOWN AS THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW” (BIL) AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A NOTICE OF INTENT TO FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AND BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS**

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has the power to transact business and otherwise speak or act on behalf of the Tribe in all matters on which the Tribe is empowered to act pursuant to Article V, Section 2, of the Tribal Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee finds that Transportation infrastructure and facilities provide access, services, and improve the safety and security of tribal members and non-members; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress passed, and the President of the United States signed STRA-21 highway-reauthorization; and

**WHEREAS**, STRA-21 authorizes the United States Secretary of Transportation to enter into a Funding agreement with a federally recognized Indian Tribal government, assume the Responsibilities of and the associated funding for the Tribal Transportation program (TTP) Serving a Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, STRA-21 provides that an Indian Tribal government may carry out any TTP program or project through a contract or agreement with the United States Secretary of Transportation in, accordance with the Indian Self-Determination Act (25 U.S.C.5301 et seq) and further provides that the Indian tribal government may assume all functions and duties that the United States Secretary of the Interior would have performed other than functions and duties that inherently cannot be legally transferred under the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq); and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee believes that establishing a comprehensive transportation program will further the long-term interests of the tribe, afford greater flexibility and control to prioritize transportation needs, and permit our government to utilize flexible financing arrangements available by law to speed the development of transportation infrastructure, and transportation programs may be appropriate under 23 U.S.C. 25 CFR Part 170, and STRA-21; and



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**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee desires to assume the United States Secretary of the Interior's duties and functions with respect to the TTP and such other tribal transportation programs under 23 U.S.C. 25CFR part 170 and STRA- 21; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Business Committee hereby approves the issuing of a notice of intent to the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration to assume the transportation duties of the Secretary of the Interior under the TTP, together with transportation related activities, and instructs the Tribal Chairman to take all necessary actions to develop with the Highway Administration a mutually acceptable government to government agreement to administer the TTP; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman is hereby authorized and instructed to sign this Resolution and all necessary agreements and contracts for and on behalf of the Tribe in order to establish and assume the transportation duties of the Secretary of the Interior serving the Comanche Nation of Oklahoma.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

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**Forrest Tahdoahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE TRIBAL COMMUNITY RESILIENCE GRANT FUNDS

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is accepting the Tribal Community Resilience grant funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Tribal Community Resilience (TCR) Program has awarded Comanche Nation in the amount of [REDACTED] for two years to accomplish the purpose of the CN TCR 2025 grant; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby accepts the grant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign all necessary papers and instruments for such grant, including award agreements and modifications; and

**BE FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, **2025**, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_ for, \_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

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**Forrest Tahdoahnippah, Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CARRY OVER FUNDS FOR NEW BUSINESS, LAND ACQUISITION, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND COW CALF DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation (“Nation”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States of January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee (“CBC”) is the duly elected official body designated to conduct business for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation in a legal quorum; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee provides direct oversight to the Natural Resources Program which manages three separate budgets to include: Land Acquisition, Natural Resources, and the Cow Calf Operation; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the CBC hereby approves the carryover of the following budgets:

<b>New Business</b>	\$	
<b>Land Acquisition:</b>	\$	
<b>Natural Resources:</b>	\$	
<b>Cow Calf:</b>	\$	

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 1125 - 1127 EAST GORE AVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation (“Nation”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States of January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, [REDACTED] an Oklahoma limited liability company wholly owned by the Comanche Nation, was created to acquire real estate on behalf of the Comanche Nation and currently has three properties under contract:

1. **Sure Stay by Best Western – 1125 E Gore Ave**
2. **Extended Stay – 1127 E Gore Ave**
3. **Arrowhead Apartments – 1127 E Gore Ave**

**WHEREAS**, [REDACTED] are scheduled to close on the Arrowhead Apartments acquisition on March 14, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council, through a Special Election, approved the use of [REDACTED] more or less for purposes including redevelopment of those properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Realty Department solicited bids for financing [REDACTED] more or less of the purchase of these properties, and the Comanche Business Committee has decided to accept the bid of [REDACTED]; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee hereby approves the transfer and use of funds from New Business, Land Acquisition, and/or Natural Resources, for the purchase, renovation, and/or management of these properties and/or any associated fees; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes Comanche Nation Chairman, Forrest Tahdooahnippah, and Realty Director, Stephen Lee, or their designee, to execute any documents to complete the purchase on behalf of [REDACTED], an Oklahoma limited liability company wholly owned by the Comanche Nation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Comanche Business Committee hereby authorizes Comanche Nation Chairman, Forrest Tahdooahnippah, and Realty Director, Stephen Lee, or their designee, to execute any documents or agreements with [REDACTED] to complete the financing of the purchase by [REDACTED] and any guaranty by the Comanche Nation, including

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any limited waivers of sovereign immunity as authorized by the Tribal Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**

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## RESOLUTION REGARDING CONSTITUTION DAY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to its power to administer programs, the Comanche Business Committee has the power to declare holidays of the Comanche Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation has traditionally observed the day following Thanksgiving as a holiday; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation has traditionally observed the third Monday in January as holiday known as “Constitution Day”; and

**WHEREAS**, the third Monday in January was selected as Constitution Day because the Comanche Constitution was approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on January 9, 1967; however, some have interpreted the scheduling of Constitution Day as a slight against Martin Luther King, Jr. because the federal holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, is the third Monday of the month of January; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to recognize and acknowledge the contributions of Martin Luther King Jr.—Dr. King made significant and substantial contributions towards reducing racism in the United States, which has benefitted Comanche tribal members as Native Americans have been targets of racism and racial discrimination; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to continue to recognize a holiday known as Constitution Day—however, the Comanche Business Committee feels that the approval of the Constitution by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs was not the most significant event in the history of the Constitution, but rather the most significant step was the ratification of the Constitution by the Tribal Council, which occurred on November 19, 1966; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee declares that hereafter the day following Thanksgiving shall be the Tribal holiday known as “Constitution Day”; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee declares that hereafter the third Monday of January shall be recognized as a Tribal holiday known as “Martin Luther King, Jr. Day”; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## CERTIFICATION

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**



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## A RESOLUTION AMENDING ELECTION ORDINANCE

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(j) provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to promulgate and enforce ordinances and codes governing law and order to protect the peace, health, safety, and general welfare on land determined to within Comanche tribal jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee adopted an Election Ordinance on February 3, 2024 through Resolution No. 22-2024; and

**WHEREAS**, based on experience learned from the 2024 election, input from the Election Board, and input from the Nation's election vendor AES, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to amend the Election Ordinance to promote the general welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments to the Election Ordinance have been publicly posted for comment; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Election Ordinance is hereby amended in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Administrator is directed to post a copy of the Election Ordinance as amended on the Comanche Nation website; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**



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## A RESOLUTION APPOINTING *AD HOC* SUBCOMMITTEE ON ELDER CARE

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(e) provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to develop proposals which are in the interest of fulfilling the purpose of the Comanche tribal organization including, but not limited to, programs involving employment, health, education, public relations, social, recreational, and historical activities of the tribe, and further provides that such program proposals shall be presented to the tribal council for final consideration as to adoption or rejection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(g) provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to appoint such subcommittees as are needed to develop the proposals suggested herein or any other worthwhile endeavors, including delegation of such authorities to these subcommittees as in commensurate with their responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, at a Special Meeting on February 22, 2025, the Comanche Business Committee voted to propose a Fiscal Year 2026 budget conditioned on the formation of an *ad hoc* committee of experts to evaluate proposals for assisted living, a nursing home, and hospice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to appoint such a committee and restate its charge, as set for the below.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Business Committee hereby creates an *ad hoc* committee on elder care, the purpose of such a committee shall be to make a presentation at the 2025 Annual Meeting of the Tribal Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that such presentation of the committee shall include (1) definitions and explanations of different types of elder care including home care, rehabilitation centers, assisted living centers, nursing homes, and hospice, (2) comparative analysis of the costs, revenue (including third-party billing), licensure, and types of grant funding available for home care, rehabilitation, assisted living, nursing home, and hospice, (3) incidence of abuse in home care, rehabilitation, assisted living, nursing home, and hospice settings, and (4) recommendations on the relative need within the Comanche Nation for home care, rehabilitation centers, assisted living centers, nursing homes, and hospice, particularly in light of the Comanche Nation's cultural tradition of adult children caring for elders in a home setting; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the committee is delegated all investigative authority of the Comanche Business Committee and Tribal Council officers, and all Tribal programs are directed to cooperate with the committee fully and provide any information requested, and all state, local, and tribal governments and all other organizations are hereby respectfully requested by the Comanche Business Committee to cooperate with the committee and provide any information requested; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons are hereby appointed to the committee:

1. PaulaAnn Phillips
2. Rhonda Williams
3. Lennetta Davenport
4. Carla Harjo-Nowell
5. Joyce Oberly

## **CERTIFICATION**

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**Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer**