

Pima County

MEETING LOCATION Administration Bldg - East 130 W. Congress Street 1st Floor Tucson, AZ 85701

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<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS (12/21/21, 1/4/22 and 1/18/22)</u>

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Discussion/Action: Propose that the Board of Supervisors have a brief "Land Acknowledgement" statement at the beginning of each meeting, right after the Pledge of Allegiance. A Land Acknowledgment is a formal statement that recognizes and respects Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories.

Here are examples of such a land acknowledgment:

"We respectfully acknowledge that Pima County is the land and territories of Indigenous peoples. Today, Arizona is home to 22 federally recognized tribes, with Tucson being home to the O'odham and the Yaqui. Committed to diversity and inclusion, Pima County strives to build sustainable relationships with sovereign Native Nations and Indigenous communities through education offerings, partnerships, and community service."

"We would like to acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, unceded ancestral territory of the Tohono O'odham and Pascua Yaqui people, on which we are learning and working today." (District 5)