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**COUNCIL TO MEET IN WORK SESSION AND SPECIAL SESSION
NEXT WEEK**

The Navajo Nation Council is scheduled to meet in a special session on Tuesday, September 26, 2006, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber. The special session will take place a day after the Council meets in a work session, which is scheduled for Monday, September 25, 2006.

Today the Ethics and Rules Committee approved the date and adopted an agenda for the special session, as recommended by Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan.

The proposed agenda includes three items, including legislation to create the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise, legislation to approve the compact between the Navajo Nation and the Hopi Tribe and an endorsement of Janet Napolitano for Governor of Arizona.

While some Committee members expressed concern that with such controversial issues one day might not be long enough to consider the items, Speaker Morgan explained that gaming issues would be covered during the work session to take

place on the 25th. He also noted that the proposed Navajo-Hopi compact had already been reviewed by the Council's standing committees.

Other Committee members also asked whether there may be a need for Council to override a possible veto of the Fiscal Year 2007 Comprehensive Budget. Speaker Morgan said that he had received no word from the President on the budget, but if there was a need for an override, such legislation could be introduced as an emergency item and added on during the special session.

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