



# Spokane Tribe of Indians

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CENTURY OF SURVIVAL 1881- 1981

## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION** **OCTOBER 24, 2020**

On September 21, 2020, the Election Committee received two petitions.

The first is an initiative to distribute through direct payment to every Spokane Tribal Citizen a portion of the CARES Act Funds received by the Tribe.

The second is an initiative to immediately amend Article VI, Section 4 of the Constitution to allow absentee ballot voting for ALL Tribal Members.

According to Article X, Section 4 of the Spokane Tribe Constitution, whenever an initiative petition with the required signatures is filed at the Tribal office an election thereon shall be conducted within 45 days, unless there is a regular election to be held within 90 days.

Further, Article XIV states that the Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Spokane Tribe voting in an election in accordance with Article X, Section 4.

A Special Election has been scheduled for October 24, 2020 for a vote on both initiatives.

Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution provides that an election on an initiative must have a minimum voter turnout of 51% of the average voter turnout at the regular Tribal elections held during the previous 5 years. Thus, the minimum voter **turnout** needed for this Initiative is 234.

Polling places shall be as follows:

- (1) Alfred McCoy Administration Building, Wellpinit
- (2) West End Community Center, West End
- (3) TANF building, 232 E. Lyons Avenue, Spokane, Washington
- (4) Ford Community Center, New House Lane, Ford Washington

Polls shall be open on Election Day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

**If you need to contact an Election Committee Member please call:**

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