MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 12-03-14
March 14, 2012 - 10:30 a.m.

New Jersey Casino Control Commission
Joseph P. Lordi Public Meeting Room - First Floor
Tennessee Avenue & Boardwalk
Atlantic City, New Jersey

PRESIDING: Chair Linda M. Kassekert

PRESENT: Vice Chair Sharon Anne Harrington and Commissioner Edward J. Fanelle

Subsequent to the reading of a statement of compliance with the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act and identification of items discussed during closed session, the Commission considered and took formal action on the following matters:

1. By a vote of 3-0, ratified the minutes of February 15, 2012 (transcript page 9).

2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the applications of Gaetano Branciforti, Danielle A. Gangi, David A. Holzhauser, Russell L. Kelly, Daniel R. Mann and Melissa Ortiz for initial casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1*); and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Tama B. Hughes and for qualification as Vice President and Corporate Counsel for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. (Exhibit EL-3*);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the casino key employee license application of William C. Murtha and for qualification as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 9-15).

3. By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition of Revel Entertainment, Inc., and issued temporary casino key employee licenses to following individuals and permitted them to assume the duties of their respective positions, for Revel Entertainment, Inc., an applicant for a casino license, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 (e):

   Thomas Battista, Slot Technician Manager, Harold A. Barber, III, Manager Table Games, Candace E. Brown, Supervisor Slot Operations, Darren L. Fenske, Manager Table Games, John D. Vaughan, Jr., Supervisor Slot Operations, Philip D. Babilino, Jr., Slot Supervisor, William J. Bell, Supervisor Security, Jolene M. Bingham, Manager Security Monitor Room, Joseph Cottone, Executive Director Casino Marketing, Adam Faris, Supervisor Security, Guy Hamstra, Supervisor Security, Kevin Howe, Manager Table Games Pit, Carol Merline, Supervisor Security, Paul Jenkins, Jr., Supervisor Security, Mark J. Evans, Manager Surveillance, Steven L. Ladany, Vice President Strategic Development Group, and Paul Stowell, Executive Director Internal Audit (PRNS 0411201, 0471201, 0531201, 0601201,0651204, 0661201,0681201,0681202) (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 15-16).

4. By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition of RIH Acquisitions NJ, LLC (d/b/a Atlantic Club Casino Hotel), and issued temporary casino key employee licenses to following individuals and permitted them to assume the duties of their respective positions, for RIH Acquisitions NJ, LLC, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 (e):


5. By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition of Trump Taj Mahal Associates, LLC, (d/b/a Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resorts), and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Shannon Daviso, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 (e), to assume the duties of Dual Rate Operations Supervisor & Slot Operations Shift Manager (PRN 0651201) (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript page 18-19).

6. By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition of Harrah’s Atlantic City Operating Company, LLC, and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Ronak Shah, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 (e), to assume the duties of Cashiering Supervisor for Harrah’s Atlantic City Operating Company, LLC (PRN 0651201) (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript page 19-20).
7. By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition of Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC, and issued a temporary casino key employee license to William A. Johnson, III (a.k.a. Sonny), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(e) and permitted him, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President of Gaming for Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC, without first having been qualified. (PRN 0651203) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 20-22).

8. By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement and permitted Ronnie W. Downing, to retain his initial casino key employee license (DKT 12-0001-RK; 10-0134-EA) (Ruling number 12-03-14-08; transcript pages 22-24).

9. By a vote of 3-0, approved Christina Best’s requested relief and waived the post employment restriction, to permit Ms. Best employment with Tropicana Atlantic City Corp, as a Security Operations Administrator, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-60b (2) and subject to appropriate registration or licensure. (PRN 0481201) (PE-07; transcript pages 24-26).

10. By a vote of 3-0, approved Elizabeth Franchetti’s requested relief and waived the post employment restriction, to permit Mr. Franchetti employment with Revel Entertainment, Inc., an applicant for a casino license, as a Soft Count Attendant, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-60b (2) and subject to appropriate registration or licensure. (PRN 0541201) (PE-08; transcript pages 26-27).

11. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and appointed Commissioner Edward J. Fanelle to replace Vice Chair Sharon Anne Harrington on the Casino Control Commission’s Audit Committee. Further, delegated to Chair Kassekert the authority to designate a Commission Member to serve on the Audit Committee after the annual appointment of a Vice Chair (ruling number 12-03-14-11; transcript pages 27-26).

12. Considered the amended petition of AC Gateway, LLC and Affiliates, for an extension of certain periods with respect to their proposed Staged Casino Facility.

The Commission received into evidence exhibits A-1 and A-2 from the applicant.

The Commission heard presentations of the applicant and the testimony of Thomas J. Sykes, Project Architect.

The commission considered the written submissions, petition and oral arguments presented and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found good cause to grant the relief requested, in the amended petition, subject to the findings, rulings and conditions and to the extent set forth in the resolution (PRN 0441201) (ruling number 12-03-14-12; transcript pages 29-47).
In accordance with Resolution No. 11-12-14-03, the next closed session of the commission shall be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in the commission offices (transcript page 47).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

*Lists of individuals acted upon at this meeting have been documented by exhibit number. Commission rulings are documented in orders or resolutions. These lists, rulings and official transcripts are available for public review at the Commission offices located at the corner of Tennessee Avenue and the Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

These minutes remain subject to amendment until such time as they are formally ratified by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission.

CERTIFICATION

I, Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey Casino Control Commission, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes of the Open Session conducted on March 14, 2012, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.
Executive Secretary