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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 18-09-12 September 12, 2018 - 10:30 a.m. (609) 441-3422

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

PRESIDING:

Chairman James T. Plousis

PRESENT:

Vice Chair Sharon Anne Harrington and Commissioner Alisa B. Cooper

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 votes of 3-0, ratified the minutes of August 8, 2018 (transcript pages 9-10).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Michael A. Pompei and Michael J. Rynkiewicz, Sr., for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 10-11);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Bruce Deifik and Jordan Deifik, for casino key employee licenses, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1k and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89 b (4), and acknowledged that residency need not be established (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 11-13);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Cynthia H. DiBerardino for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 13-14); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Kelly L. Mooney for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript page 14).

3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Frank L. Angelozzi, Candace E. Braithwaite, Joseph J. Cella, William R. Cestone, Cherie B. Crudo, Ilene B. Epstein, Joseph L. Griffin, Norma I. Gruber, Lance A. London, Kathleen M. Mc Sweeney, Daniel Messick, Jan Mohammad, Robert N. Tucker, Theresa A. Tyrrell, Nicholas Vozzi, Kathleen L. Worth and Charlie Zigler, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript pages 15-16).

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Keith H. Crede, Martin J. Majcher, III and Arsh Z. Vohra, for casino key employee licenses with multi-casino endorsements (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 16).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Luis Espino for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 16-17).

4. Considered the applications for casino key employee licenses and for qualification and issued the following rulings:

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Donna M. Angeli and for qualification as Vice President Chief Information Officer for Marina District Development Company, LLC (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript pages 17-18); and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Mark Giannantonio with a multi-casino endorsement and for qualification as President and Chief Operating Officer for DGMB Casino, LLC; and Resorts Digital Gaming, LLC (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript pages 18-19).

5. Temporary casino key employee licenses and multi-casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between August 3, 2018 and September 10, 2018, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: David S. Breslin, Paul J. Bohrer (MCE), Rebecca L. Butler-Nesbit, Kylin L. Camp, Randal E. Cordell, David R. Edwards, Nakeeta R. French, Jesse R. Goldich, Hector Gonzalez, Christopher Gregson, Jivany Perez-Jusino (MCE), Eric R. Kaulback, Shanelle L. Lett,

Nicole G. Massood, Nicole G. Massood (MCE), Joseph E. McCarthy, Nanette Negron, Patrick B. Porada, Frank Porters, Martin R. Salway, Jeffrecia M. Skinner (MCE), John M. Tanzini, Colin G. Watson, Andre M. Westin and Kathaleen L. Wilkins (MCE) (Exhibit EL-3\*; transcript pages 19-21).

- 6. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by George S. Ciechanowski, Maryann T. Damiano, Joseph A. Domenico, Eric P. Kane, Kathleen M. Kopaz, James R. Morris, Steven M. O'Leary, Henil P. Patel, John M. Terlecky and Henry J. Votta, Jr. (Ruling numbers 18-09-12-06-A, 18-09-12-06-B, 18-09-12-06-C, 18-09-12-06-D, 18-09-12-06-E, 18-09-12-06-F, 18-09-12-06-G, 18-09-12-06-H, 18-09-12-06-I, 18-09-12-06-J; transcript pages 21-22).
- 7. By a vote of 3-0, found that Ronald D. Alcorn, Mark A. Brown, Megan L. Burak, Deborah L. Feldman, Skye B. Gallagher, Carol D. Lodico, Michael J. Mascio, Franklin D. Mauger, III, Keith M. Mulrooney, August J. Renna, Jr., Robert G. Robinson, Michael P. Rutz and Daniel J. Slattery's casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulation. (Ruling numbers 18-09-12-07-A; 18-09-12-07-B;, 18-09-12-07-D, 18-09-12-07-E, 18-09-12-07-F, 18-09-12-07-G, 18-09-12-07-H, 18-09-12-07-I, 18-09-12-07-J, 18-09-12-07-K, 18-09-12-07-L, 18-09-12-07-M; transcript pages 22-24).
- 8. Considered the petition of AC Ocean Walk, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Stacy Parker, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89(e); and permitted her to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Player Development of AC Ocean Walk, LLC, pending plenary qualification; subject to the conditions contained in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.6 (PRN 2211803) (Ruling number 18-09-12-08; transcript pages 24-26).

9. Considered the initial casino key employee licensure and qualification of Christopher D. Rippy and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0 approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Christopher D. Rippy; and issued an initial casino key employee license to Mr. Rippy, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89 (a) and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89 (b); and found Mr. Rippy qualified to serve as Vice President of Food and Beverage for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp., in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 (b); *N.J.S.A.* 

5:12-85.1 (c ), <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 (d ) and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.7, subject to compliance with the conditions contained in the stipulation (DKT 0012-CK) Ruling number 18-09-12-09; transcript pages 26-29).

- 10. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of Excelman A. Francis, for a casino key employee license (DKT 18-0011-CK) (Ruling number 18-09-12-10; transcript pages 29-31).
- 11. Considered the joint petition of Tropicana Entertainment Inc. and Tropicana Atlantic City Corp and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Christopher J. Capra, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89(a) and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89(b); and found Mr. Capra qualified to serve as Vice President of Online and Internet Marketing for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp. and Tropicana Entertainment Inc., in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 (b) and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.6 (Ruling number 18-09-12-11; transcript pages 34-36).

12. Considered the joint petition of DGMB Casino, LLC and Resorts Digital Gaming, LLC and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Joseph T. Cavilla, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(a) and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(b), with a multi casino endorsement, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-91.1; and found Mr. Cavilla qualified to serve as Vice President of Casino Operations of DGMB Casino, LLC and Resorts Digital Gaming, LLC, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1b; *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.6. (Ruling number 18-09-12-12; transcript pages 36-39).

13. Considered the joint petition of Marina District Development Company, LLC and MGM Resorts International and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and authorized Anton D. Nikodemus, on a temporary basis and prior to his plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of President and Chief Operating Officer of MGM Resorts Regional Operations, LLC, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 (b); *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 (c), *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 (d) and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 (PRN 2351802) (Ruling number 18-09-12-13; transcript pages 31-34).

14. Considered the amended and restated petition of Eldorado Resorts, Inc., and Delta Merger Sub, Inc. for interim casino authorization, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-95.12 et seq.

The Commission received into evidence exhibits D-1 and D-2 from the Division of Gaming Enforcement; and exhibit A-1 and A-2 from the Applicant.

By a vote of 3-0, approved the applicants sealing request and redacted portions of exhibits D-1, D-2 and A-1 (transcript pages 42-43).

The Commission heard presentations of the applicants and the testimony of Gary L. Carano, Chairman of the Board; Thomas R. Reeg, Director, President, Chief Financial Officer and Anthony Carano, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer.

The Commission considered the petition, written submissions, exhibits and oral arguments presented, and issued the following rulings:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and granted interim casino authorization to Eldorado Resorts, Inc., and Delta Merger Sub, Inc., as set forth in the findings and rulings and subject to the conditions in the resolution (PRN 1351803) (Ruling number 18-09-12-14; transcript pages 39-160).

In accordance with Resolution No. 17-12-19-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 160).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.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 September 12, 2018, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq. Executive Secretary