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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 19-08-07 August 7, 2019 - 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:

Chairman James T. Plousis

PRESENT:

Vice Chair Alisa B. Cooper and Commissioner Sharon Anne Harrington

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 July 10, 2019 Public Meeting (transcript pages 8-9).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Brian S. Barnett, Karin J. Brugler, Dipiksha N. Makadia, Joseph Pasterino and William H. Wentz, III, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript pages 9-10);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Michael J. Giraldi, Jr. and Scott F. Raring, for casino key employee licenses with multi-casino endorsements (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 10-11);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Yolotli Z. Cana-Mimay for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 11-12);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Nanette Negron for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 12-13); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Frank R. Casale, II for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 13-14).

- 3. Temporary casino key employee licenses and multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between July 5 2019 and August 2, 2019, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: Anthony C. Buchanico, III (MCE), Dennis R. Coyle, Gary L. Edwards, Jr., Kerwin C. Hampton, Jr., Dustin J. Heath, Keisha L. Kennedy, Stephannie Lopez, Daniel McCall, Robert J. Phillips, Martin R. Salway and Christa C. Schulte (Exhibit EL-3\*; transcript pages 14-15).
- 4. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Frank Bonini Jr., James J. Cooker and Harold W. Myers (Ruling numbers 19-07-10-05; transcript pages 15-17).
- 5. By a vote of 3-0, found that Marchant L. Lewis, David A. Naylor, Melba E. Velazquez and John G. Ward casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations' (Ruling numbers 19-08-07-06-A; 19-08-07-06-B; 19-08-07-06-C, 19-08-07-06-D, 19-08-07-06-E, 19-08-07-06-F; transcript pages 17-18).
- 6. By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Jesse R. Goldich; and granted the initial application of Mr. Goldich, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with certain the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 19-0015-CK) (Ruling number 19-08-07-06; transcript pages 18-20).
- 7. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of Georgina D'Alessandro (a/k/a Georgina Santora, Georgina Calimer and Georgina Santora-Nargi), for a casino key employee license (DKT 19-0018-CK) (Ruling number 19-08-07-07; transcript pages 20-22).
- 8. Considered the initial application of Andre M. Weston for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, found Andre M. Weston, disqualified, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-80 (b), <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-80 (d), <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-86 (b), <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89 (b); and denied his initial application for a casino key employee license (DKT 19-0020-CK) (Ruling number 19-08-07-08; transcript pages 22-24).

- 9. Adjourned the Consideration of the Complaint in State v. Frank R. Casale, II for a casino key employee license (DKT 19-0030-CK; DKT 19-0031-RC) (transcript pages 24).
- 10. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Ronald S. Ellis, qualified to serve as Senior Vice President of Internal Auditing of Eldorado Resorts, Inc., in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1c, and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 19-08-07-10; transcript pages 25-27).
- 11. 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 Cynthia Vollmer, on a temporary basis and prior to her plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Enterprise Risk Management of MGM Resorts International, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in  $\underline{N.J.S.A.}$  5:12-85.1 (c ) and  $\underline{N.J.A.C.}$  13:69C-2.7 of the Act (PRN 2001901) (Ruling number 19-08-07-11; transcript pages 28-29).

- 12. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued an initial casino key employee license to Shelley L. Williams (*a/k/a Shelley Sechopoulos*), pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(a) and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(b); and found Ms. Williams qualified to serve as Vice President of Sales of Boardwalk 1000, LLC, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1; and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.6 (19-08-07-12; transcript pages 29-32).
- 13. Considered the Amended and Restated Petition of Luxor Capital Group, LP for Interim Casino Authorization, pursuant to pursuant to NJSA 5:12-95.12 *et seq.*

The Commission received into evidence exhibits A-1 from Luxor Capital group, LP; and exhibit D-1 from the Division of Gaming Enforcement.

By a vote of 3-0, approved the applicants' sealing request and redacted portions of exhibits D-1 and A-1.

The Commission heard presentations from Petitioners' Counsel and the testimony of Norris Nissim, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer; Michael Conboy, Partner and Director of Research; Eric Matejevich, Divestiture Trustee; Theresa Glebocki, Chief Financial Officer; and Michael Donovan, Chief Marketing Officer

The commission considered the witnesses testimony, written submissions, petitions, exhibits and oral arguments presented and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and granted Interim Casino Authorization to Luxor Capital group, LP, as set forth in the findings and rulings and subject to the conditions specified in the resolution (PRN 1061903) (ruling number 19-08-07-13; transcript pages 32-156).

In accordance with Resolution No. 18-12-05-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 156).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 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 August 7, 2019, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.

Executive Secretary