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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 22-04-13 April 13, 2022 - 10:30 a.m.

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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 Joyce Mollineaux

In furtherance of Governor Philip D. Murphy's Executive Order 103 (2020), the Casino Control Commission's meeting was held via remote technology. The public listened telephonically by calling the telephone number and access number provided on the Commission's website, and public comments were accepted via e-mail.

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

- 1. By votes of 3-0, ratified the minutes of March 9, 2022 (transcript page 11-12).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Hemesh Barot (a/k/a Hemesh Rasikbhai, Hemesh Hemeshkumar), Edward J. Burns, IV, Kenny Ming Cao, Dina N. Capaldi, Jason M. DiPietro, Brian M. Fogler, Michael J. Gaetano, Cindy E. Gonzalez, Mark J. Katz, Flint G. Leary, Irish C. Leyva (a/k/a Irish Michellecas Leyva), Karen B. Librone (a/k/a Karen B. Meyh, Karen B. Allman, Karen B. Allman-Raphael), Clinton J. McNally, Son T. Nguyen, Kimberly B. Perkins (a/k/a Kimberly B. Reichert), Richard F.

Pfeifer, MD H. Rahaman, Christopher A. Salyers and Thomas A. Schaedel, Jr. and Christopher R. Witt, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 12-13);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Jorge Cruz, Jr., for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-14);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Christian Golder, 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 Ram G. Punjabi, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-14).

3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Dawn D. Casale, Davide Colosimo, Yan M. DeDomenicis (a/k/a Yan M. Wu), Kristina L. Klickovich (a/k/a Kristina L. Greblunas), Michael Lam, Joseph M. Norton, Joseph Paccapaniccia and Raymond B. Parker, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 14-16);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Kevin Scull and for qualification as Assistant General Manager for Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 16-17);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Joseph C. Watson and for qualification as Senior Vice President of National Marketing for Boardwalk 1000, LLC (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 17-18); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Emmanuel O. Udoh, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript page 18).

- 4. Temporary casino key employee licenses were issued between March 1, 2022 and March 31, 2022, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: Amirah T. Blackwell, Reyni M. Broomes, Robert G. Capri, Sr., Erik L. Creek, Michael A. Dawkins, Ana J. Engel, Serena D. McBall, Thomas J. Murphy, IV, Jyotshna M. Patel (a/k/a Jyotshnaben M. Patel) and Joseph Tete (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 19-21).
- 5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee license held by Patricia A. Barkley, Melissa Bohn (a/k/a Melissa Ortiz), Karen F. Brundage-Johnson, Thomas J. Chandler, Alfred L. Colangelo, Thomas A. Douress, Nancygail Jones (a/k/a Nancygail Allegretto), John Lee (a/k/a Vi Minh Ly), Nancy Nolan and Joseph W. Uhing (Ruling numbers 22-03-09-05-A, 22-04-13-05-B, 22-04-13-05-C, 22-04-13-05-D, 22-04-13-05-E, 22-04-13-05-F, 22-04-13-05-G, 22-04-13-05-H, 22-04-13-05-I, 22-04-13-05-J, 22-04-13-05-K; transcript pages 21-22).

- 6. By a vote of 3-0, found that William A. Alber, 3rd, Judy Fisher (a/k/a Judy Fisher Ruchser), Joshua J. Kurtz, Kathleen M. Roberts (a/k/a Kathleen M. Lucas), John J. Ruglio, Daniel A. Sanchez, Stephanie R. Santiago and Shepard I. Stein, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 22-04-13-06-A, 22-04-13-06-B, 22-04-13-06-C, 22-04-13-06-D, 22-04-13-06-E, 22-04-13-06-F, 22-04-13-06-G, 22-04-13-06-H; transcript pages 22-24).
- 7. Considered the initial application of Thomas Alvord, for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, found Thomas Alvord, 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 and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89; denied his initial application for a casino key employee license; and permitted Mr. Alvord to apply for a casino key employee license, in accordance with the timelines set forth at <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 19:41A-4.1 (DKT 20-0018-CK) (Ruling number 22-04-13-07; transcript pages 24-27).

8. Considered the initial application of Cynthia Powell, for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Cynthia Powell; and granted the initial application of Ms. Powell, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0003-CK) (Ruling number 22-04-13-08; transcript pages 27-29).

9. Considered the initial application of Reginald Mayner, Jr, for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Reginald Mayner, Jr.; and granted the initial application of Mr. Mayner, for a casino key employee license (DKT 22-0002-CK) (Ruling number 22-04-13-09; transcript pages 29-31).

- 10. By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Eva Santiago; and granted the resubmission application of Ms. Santiago, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0010-CR) (Ruling number 22-04-13-10; transcript pages 31-32).
- 11. By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Gerald R. Lake; and granted the initial application of Mr. Lake, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0008-CR) (Ruling number 22-04-13-11; transcript pages 32-34).

- 12. By a vote of 3-0 adopted the drafted resolution; and issued an initial casino key employee license to Anthony Spagno, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89a and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b, with a multi casino endorsement, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-91.1; and found Mr. Spagno plenarily qualified to serve as Casino Manager and Vice President of Table Games for Boardwalk 1000,LLC and HR Atlantic City, LLC, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1; *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.6 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 22-04-13-12; transcript pages 34-38).
- 13. Considered the amended joint petition of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC and Bally's Corporation, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and authorized Robert Lavan, on a temporary basis and prior to his plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Treasurer for Bally's Corporation and Twin River Management Group, Inc; and as a Member of the Board of Director of Twin River Management Group, Inc., pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1c and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7(c) of the Act (PRN 0822202) (Ruling number 22-04-13-13; transcript pages 38-40).

- 14. Adjourned the Petition of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC and Bally's Corporation, requesting permission for Lou Dorn to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President of Legal Operations, Retail, for Bally's Corporation, pending plenary qualification (PRN 0822203) until the May 11, 2022 public meeting (transcript page 40).
- 15. Considered the joint petition of MGM Resorts International, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and authorized Jeffrey Crist, on a temporary basis and prior to his plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Senior Vice President, Enterprise, Regional, and Gaming Technologies and Digital of MGM Resorts International, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1c, *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b(1), *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b(2), and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 of the Act (PRN 0902201) (Ruling number 22-04-13-15; transcript pages 41-43).

16. Considered the Petition of Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC, requesting the qualification of Fertitta Entertainment Finance Co., Inc. and various rulings in connection therewith and issued the following ruling:

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

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and granted the relief requested in the petition, and

- a) found Fertitta Entertainment Finance Co., Inc. has complied with all requirements, regarding the submission of information necessary to the Commission and the Division to evaluate PRN 0402202;
- b) found each of the designated natural person qualifiers: Tilman J. Fertitta, Steven L. Scheinthal, and Richard H Liem, to have been previously found qualified by the Commission and remain qualified, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1;
- c) find Fertitta Entertainment Finance Co., Inc., and it's qualifying individual qualifiers qualified, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12.85.1, and

based upon the extent set forth in the findings and subject to the conditions in the Resolution (PRN 0402202) (ruling number 22-04-13-16; transcript pages 43-46).

17. Adjourned the Joint Petition of Caesars Entertainment, Inc., and Caesars Interactive Entertainment New Jersey, LLC, for the issuance of a temporary casino key employee license to Jon Ozark, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(e) and *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b(4); and to permit him to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Senior Vice President, I-Gaming, pending plenary qualification (PRN 1012202) until the May 11, 2022 public meeting (transcript page 46).

In accordance with Resolution No. 21-12-08-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript pages 46-47).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:16 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.

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

<u>CERTIFICATION</u>

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 April 13, 2022, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq Executive Secretary