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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 23-03-08 March 8, 2023 - 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 Orders 103 (2020) and 280 (2022), the Casino Control Commission's meeting was held in-person and was accessible 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 a vote of 3-0, ratified the minutes of February 8, 2023 (transcript pages 19-20).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Gabriel G. Caampued, Randy N. Campos-Bello, Michael J. DeLuca, Joshua T. Lackovic, Ana C. Paredes (a/k/a Ana C. Lopez, Ana C. Conception, Ana C. Anglero), John M. Previti, Tyrone L. Ruiz-Sanchez and Santiago D. Salazar, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 20-22);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of Melissa D. Turner (a/k/a Melissa D. Gray), for a casino key employee license; and waived the residency requirement, as provided for in N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(b) 4 (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 22-23);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Matthew Castro, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Paige Cervini, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Sarah Farinaccio, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Allan I. Haskins, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Lani Tate (a/k/a Lorena M. Vazquez-Deruiz; Lorena M. Vazquez-Ruiz), for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Noelia I. Torres, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Lorena M. Vazquez (a/k/a Lorena M. Vazquez-Deruiz; Lorena M. Vazquez-Ruiz), for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 23-24).

3. By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Mark W. Capetola, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 24-26);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Jeremy S. Edwards, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 24-26);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Rafael A. Figueroa, III, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 24-26);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Kevin M. Mason, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 24-26); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmitted application of Lashanna P. Muhammad, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2\*; transcript page 24-26).

- 4. Temporary casino key employee licenses and/or multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between February 1, 2023 and February 28, 2023, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: Sarah A. Farinaccio, Kathleen T. Fulford (a/k/a Kathleen T. Guerro), Mann Lien (MCE), Matthew D. Lowry, Lynn M. Mazer (a/k/a Lynn M. Dembinski) (MCE), Golam Mostafa, Thomas A. Padick Erik J. Siegert and Rebecca A. Thiry (a/k/a Rebecca A Ross) (Exhibit EL-3\*; transcript pages 26-28).
- 5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Thomas H. Gitto, Gloria E. Osnato (a/k/a Gloria E. Fortach) and Joseph P. Ventura (Ruling numbers 23-03-08-05-A, 23-03-08-05-B, 23-03-08-05-C; transcript pages 29-30).
- 6. By a vote of 3-0, found that Davide Colosimo, Norma I. Gruber (a/k/a Norma I. Ehrlich, Norma I. Rodriguez, Norma I. Eccles), William J. Harris, Jeffrey F. Johnson, David S. Perna, Arthur W. Sampson, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Samuel E. Tartaglia, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 23-03-08-06-A, 23-03-08-06-B, 23-03-08-06-C, 23-03-08-06-D, 23-03-08-06-E, 23-03-08-06-F, 23-03-08-06-G; transcript pages 30-32).
- 7. Considered the initial application of Nicholas Pera, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Nicholas Pera, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0001-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-07; transcript pages 32-34).
- 8. Reconsidered the casino key employee license of Carmelo Maysonet, III, and issued the following ruling:
  - By a vote of 3-0, found Carmelo Maysonet, III, 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 revoked Carmelo Maysonet, III casino key employee license (DKT 19-0013-CK-R1) (Ruling number 23-03-08-08; transcript pages 34-37).
- 9. Considered the initial application of Ina Boateng-Gyimah, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Ina Boateng-Gyimah, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0005-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-09; transcript pages 38-41).

10. Considered the initial application of Ketan Barot, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Ketan Barot, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0054-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-10; transcript pages 41-43).

11. Considered the initial application of Thomas Fulmer, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Thomas Fulmer, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0002-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-11; transcript pages 43-45).

12. Considered the initial application of Jorge Vasquez, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Jorge Vasquez, Jr., for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0052-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-12; transcript pages 45-47).

13. Considered the resubmission application of Eva Santiago, 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 Applicant; and granted the resubmission application of Eva Santiago, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0050-CR) (Ruling number 23-03-08-13; transcript pages 47-50).

14. Considered the application of Jessica Smith, for a casino key employee license and qualification and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Qualifier; and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Jessica Smith, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b; and found Jessica Smith qualified to serve as Vice President of Facilities for Marina District Development Company, LLC, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.6; and, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (23-03-08-14; transcript pages 52-57).

15. Considered the petition of Marina District Development Company, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Gregory Kravitz, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89e and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Gregory Kravitz to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Customer Development Vice President for Marina District Development Company, 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 0372302) (23-03-08-15; transcript pages 57-60).

16. Considered the Amended Petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC and HR Atlantic City, LLC for approval to Amend a Management Agreement.

The Commission received into evidence exhibit D-1 from the Division of Gaming Enforcement.

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

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petitioners' sealing request and redacted portions of Exhibit D-1; and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the relief requested in the petition and approved the Second Amended Management Agreement, based upon and to the extent set forth in the findings and rulings and subject to the conditions contained in the resolution (PRN 3142203) (Ruling number 23-03-08-16; transcript pages 60-65).

17. Chairman Plousis read into the record a Resolution of the Casino Control Commission acknowledging March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month, which was unanimously adopted. The Commission also recognized Felicia Grondin, Executive Director of the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey; and Mark Giannantoni, President and Chief Executive Officer of Resorts Casino Hotel and President of the New Jersey Casino Association (Ruling Number 23-03-08-17; transcript pages 10-18).

18. Considered the initial application of Arnold DeMarco, 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 Applicant; and granted the initial application of Arnold DeMarco, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0003-CK) (Ruling number 23-03-08-18; transcript pages 50-52).

19. Considered the petition of Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Tiffany J. Brown, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b, *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89e and *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Tiffany J. Brown to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Director of Human Resources for Golden Nugget Atlantic City, LLC; pending plenary qualification; subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.6. (PRN 0462304) (23-03-08-19; transcript pages 65-67).

20. Considered the 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 Tracy S. Harris, on a temporary basis and prior to plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Director for Bally's Corporation, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 of the Act (PRN 0482303) (Ruling number 23-03-08-20; transcript pages 67-70).

In accordance with Resolution No. 22-12-07-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript pages 70-71).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 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.

## **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 8, 2023, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq. Executive Secretary