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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 23-05-17 May 17, 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 April 12, 2023 (transcript pages 10-11).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Jason E. Annacone, Avijit Bhattacharjee, Melissa S. Carmen, Stephen E. Carter, Jr., Natalie DiPietro (a/k/a Natalie Burgese), Byron J. Harley, Frederick W. Hoffman, Ahmed Khan, Christopher J. Lamond, Wendi N. Lindberg (a/k/a Wendi N. Nunnenkamp; Wendi L. Nunnenkamp),

Robert E. McVeigh (a/k/a Bob McVeigh), Kunal L. Parikh, Gauravi Skrobick (a/k/a Guaravi Patel), James J. Stritch (a/k/a Jimmy Stritch) and Ching-Hua Wang, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11-13);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Jeffrey W. Blackwell, Jr., for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Alfredo F. Chao, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Bryan F. Coane, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of James A. Garth, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Samantha J. Goldberg, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Antonio M. Jorge, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Christian D. Lorenzo, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Angel J. Martinez, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Bryan K. McKinnis, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of James A. Wallace, Jr., for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 13-15).

- 3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted application of Craven Turner, 3rd, for a casino key employee license (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 15-16).
- 4. Temporary casino key employee licenses and/or multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between April 1, 2023 and April 30, 2023, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: George Arsenis, Michael J. Callaghan (MCE), Lawrence D. Frazier, Tyler J. Gjerazi, Kenneth A. Hitzelberger, Robert T. Kahler (MCE), Kevin T. Kenny, Sarah C. Petrosh (a/k/a Katie C. Petrosh) (MCE), Jillian M. Reed (MCE), Marisol Romero-Norwood and Bessie A. Sacco (MCE) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 16-18).

- 5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Frank L. Angelozzi, David A. Brunette, Daniel R. Chapman, Stuart J. Cohen, Anthony C. Patrone and Paul M. Yu (Ruling numbers 23-05-17-05-A, 23-05-17-05-B, 23-05-17-05-C, 23-05-17-05-D, 23-05-17-05-E, 23-05-17-05-F; transcript pages 18-20).
- 6. By a vote of 3-0, found that John A. Clontz, Angelo G. Longo, Mark A. McAllister, Thomas M. Rubino and Keven G. Stauffer, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 23-05-17-06-A, 23-05-17-06-B, 23-05-17-06-C, 23-05-17-06-D, 23-05-17-06-E; transcript pages 20-22).
- 7. Considered the initial application of Danny Huynh, 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 Danny Huynh, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0045-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-07; transcript pages 22-24).

8. Considered the initial application of Monique Gracia, 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 Monique Gracia, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0009-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-08; transcript pages 24-26).

9. Considered the resubmission application of Lashanna P. Muhammad for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, found Lashanna P. Muhammad ("Applicant"), 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) and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89 (b); denied Applicant's resubmitted application for a casino key employee license; and revoked Applicant's casino key employee license (DKT 23-0010-CR) (Ruling number 23-05-17-09; transcript pages 26-29).

10. Considered the initial application of Paige Cervini, 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 Paige Cervini, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0012-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-10 transcript pages 29-31).

11. Considered the initial application of Matthew Castro, 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 Matthew Castro, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0013-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-11; transcript pages 32-34).

- 12. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted application of Raphael A. Figueroa, III, for a casino key employee license (DKT 23-0015-CR) (Ruling number 23-05-17-12; transcript pages 34-36).
- 13. Considered the initial application of Lani Tate, 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 Lani Tate, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0017-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-13; transcript pages 36-39).

14. Considered the initial application of Noelia Torres for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, found Noelia Torres ("Applicant"), 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; and denied Applicant's initial application for a casino key employee license (DKT 23-0020-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-14; transcript pages 39-42).

15. Considered the initial application of Allan Haskins, 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 Allan Haskins, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 23-0021-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-15; transcript pages 42-45).

- 16. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of Billy Huynh, for a casino key employee license (DKT 23-0023-CK) (Ruling number 23-05-17-16; transcript pages 45-48).
- 17. Considered the petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Shannon Rivard, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b(4), (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89(e) and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Shannon Rivard to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Player Development, 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 1112302) (Ruling Number 23-05-17-17; transcript pages 48-51).

18. Considered the joint petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Charnjiv S Sohi, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b(4), (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89(e) and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Charnjiv S Sohi to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Player Development, 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 1112303) (Ruling Number23-05-17-18; transcript pages 51-54).

19. Considered the joint petition of AC Ocean Walk 1000, LLC and Luxor Capital Group, LP, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and authorized Michael Jenkelowitz, on a temporary basis and prior to plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Co-Chief Financial Officer for Luxor Capital Group, LP, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7(d) (PRN 1182301) (Ruling number 23-05-17-19; transcript pages 54-57).

20. Considered the joint petition of Caesars Entertainment, Inc. and Caesars Interactive Entertainment New Jersey, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Lisa Rankin, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b(4), *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(e) and *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Lisa Rankin to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President of Compliance and Licensing for Caesars Interactive Entertainment New Jersey, LLC, pending plenary qualification, subject to the conditions contained in *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. Further, granted the petitioners' request to waive the residency requirement, as provided for in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(b) 4 (PRN 1222303) (Ruling Number23-05-17-20; transcript pages 57-62).

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

- found William Hill US Holdco, Inc., has complied with all requirements, regarding the submission of information necessary to the Commission and the Division to evaluate PRN 0752304;
- b) found each of the designated natural person qualifiers David Grolman, Kenneth Fuchs, Martin Logan and Eric Hession, qualified, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1;
- c) found each of the additional designated natural person qualifiers to have been either previously found qualified and licensed or temporarily qualified and licensed by the Commission; and remain qualified or licensed, and
- d) found William Hill US Holdco, Inc. , plenarily qualified as the new holding company of casino licensee, Caesars Interactive Entertainment New Jersey, LLC, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1; and

subject to the extent set forth, as well as the conditions provided for in the Resolution (PRN 0402202) (ruling number 23-05-17-21; transcript pages 62-71).

22. Chairman Plousis, on behalf of the Commission, acknowledged the passing of the Honorable Eileen R. Petersen, the First Chairman of the Virgin Islands Casino Control Commission. Chairman Plousis read into the record a Resolution of the Casino Control Commission Honoring the Memory of the Honorable Eileen R. Petersen, which was unanimously adopted (Ruling Number 23-05-17-22; transcript pages 71-74).

In accordance with Resolution No. 22-12-07-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 75).

During the public participation portion of the meeting, Susan Maven, Former Commissioner and Vice Chairman of the New Jersey Casino Control Commission (1998-2001), acknowledged the passing of the Honorable Eileen R. Petersen and offered her deepest condolences to her family, friends and colleagues (transcript pages 75-78).

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The meeting adjourned at 11:37 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 May 17, 2023, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq. Executive Secretary