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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 24-12-11
December 11, 2024 - 10:30 p.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, as well in person. 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 November 13, 2024 (transcript pages 9-10).
2. The Commission unanimously approved the 2025 Annual Meeting Schedule (ruling number 24-12-11-02; transcript pages 10-11).

3. The Commission unanimously adopted Resolution No. 24-12-11-03 permitting the Commission to hold a closed session before each scheduled public meeting in 2025 (ruling number 24-12-11-03; transcript pages 11-12).

4. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Ashlee E. Boynes, Robert M. Mendez, Christopher M. Renna, Justin E. Rubiski and Zachary M. Taube, for casino key employee licenses (transcript pages 12-14).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Vincent L. Marra, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 14-15);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Earl A. McClinton, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 14-15); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of George S. Williams, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 14-15).

5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Nicholas Amato, Victor Chea (*a/k/a* Victor Hut), Christopher C. Coyle, Jr., Eileen M. DiGregorio (*a/k/a* Eileen M. Cullen), Patricia A. Dziomba, Danyele R. Harris, Francis J. Heck, 3rd, Nur M. Kabir, Justin J. Kususky, Jr., Margaret I. Lewis (*a/k/a* Margaret I. Ambrose), Janece S. Lipka, Carl W. Lowe, 4th, Gerald Reilly, Carolyn M. Rogers (*a/k/a* Carolyn M. Disney, Carolyn M. Messick), Victor Smirniw, Ramona J. Smith, Theresa L. Tropea (*a/k/a* Theresa L. Augusto), Kevin L. Valois, Arsh Z. Vohra and Nicholas J. Vozzi, for casino key employee licenses. (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 15-17);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmission application of Craven Turner, 3rd, for casino a key employee license, with a multi-casino endorsement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-91.1 (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 17-19);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the resubmission application of Lilliam Troche (*a/k/a* Lilliam Hernandez, Lilliam Hernandez-Aviles), for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 19-20);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Donna M. Angeli (*a/k/a* Donna M. Naia) and for qualification as Vice President Chief Information Officer for DGMB Casino, LLC (*d/b/a* Resorts Atlantic City) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 20-21);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Joseph T. Cavilla and for qualification as Vice President Casino Operations for DGMB Casino, LLC (*d/b/a* Resorts Atlantic City) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 21-22);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Diane M. Dixon (*a/k/a* Diane McGarry) and for qualification as Vice President Purchasing & Retail for Boardwalk 1000, LLC (*d/b/a* Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 23-24);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Steven J. Ebner and for qualification as Vice President Player Development for AC Ocean Walk, LLC (*d/b/a* Ocean Casino Resorts) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 24-25);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmission application of Robert J. Ellis, 3rd, for casino a key employee license, with a multi-casino endorsement, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-91.1; and for qualification as Vice President Human Resources for Boardwalk 1000, LLC (*d/b/a* Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 25-27);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Paul J. Juliano; and for qualification as Senior Vice President Operations for Premier Entertainment AC. LLC (*d/b/a* Bally's Atlantic City); and waived the residency requirement, as provided for in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(b) 4 (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 27-29); and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Christopher J. O'Connor and for qualification as Vice President Finance for AC Ocean Walk, LLC (*d/b/a* Ocean Casino Resorts) (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 29-30).

6. Temporary casino key employee licenses were issued between November 1, 2024 and November 30, 2024, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 22-01-12-11-B to the following applicants: Xochitl Arellano (*a/k/a* Xochitl Suarez), Alexander T. Biros (*a/k/a* Aleks Biros), Sebastian M. Bremer, David L. Giannantonio, Colleen M. Lennon (*a/k/a* Collen M. Harrison), Lourdes J. Melendez-Ramos and David T. Stetter (Exhibit EL-4*; transcript pages 30-32).
7. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Karl J. Gambin, Joseph Gerace, 5th, Thomas F. Lambert, Lisa Rivera (*a/k/a* Lisa Coderre) and Willis T. Simmons, Jr. (Ruling numbers 24-12-11-07-A, 24-12-11-07-B, 24-12-11-07-C, 24-12-11-07-D, 24-12-11-07-E; transcript pages 32-33).
8. By a vote of 3-0, found that Saiful X. Bari, Amanda M. Cruz (*a/k/a* Amanda M. MacDonald), Matthew B. Derossi, Rosemarie Mason (*a/k/a* Rosemarie Triboletti, Rosemarie Povse), Mark S. Nelson, Anthony P. Verderese, Danny J. Wanek, Sr., Lance M. Weekes and Jose G. Zamorano-Zelidon, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 24-12-11-08-A, 24-12-11-08-B, 24-12-11-08-C, 24-12-11-08-D, 24-12-11-08-E, 12-11-08-F, 12-11-08-G, 12-11-08-H, 12-11-08-I; transcript pages 33-35).

9. Considered the joint petition of Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City (*d/b/a* Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) and Boardwalk 1000 and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, granted the relief requested in the petition; and granted a multi casino endorsement upon the casino key employee license held by for James W. Tierney, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-91.1; and found James W. Tierney to have been previously found qualified by the Commission and remain qualified, to continue to serve as Vice President of Finance Operations for Boardwalk 1000, LLC (*d/b/a* Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) 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 (PRN 2812401) (24-12-11-09; transcript pages 35-39).

10. Considered the initial application of Carlos A. Acevedo, 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 Carlos A. Acevedo, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 24-0071-SI) (Ruling number 24-12-11-10; transcript pages 39-42).

11. Considered the petition of Theresa Lutz 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 Ordered that the resubmission application of Theresa Lutz for a casino key employee license be withdrawn. Theresa Lutz is prohibited from applying for or holding a casino key employee license for a period of two years from the date of the Order. (DKT 24-0093-OT) (Ruling number 24-12-11-11; transcript pages 42-47).

12. The Joint Petition of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC and Bally's Corporation, requesting permission for Kim McAllister to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Regional Director of Compliance for Bally's Corporation, pending plenary qualification (PRN 3112405), has been withdrawn at the request of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC and Bally's Corporation (transcript page 47).

13. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and granted the resubmission application of William F. Callahan for a casino key employee license, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89e; N.J.S.A. 5:12-89h; and found William F. Callahan to have been previously found qualified by the Commission and remain qualified, to serve as General Manager and Chief Gaming Executive for AC Ocean Walk, LLC (*d/b/a* Ocean Casino Resort), in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1, N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6 (24-12-11-13; transcript pages 60-68).

14. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Michael Grodsky, plenary qualified to serve as Senior Vice President Retail Sportsbook for William Hill US HoldCo, Inc., in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 24-12-11-14; transcript pages 47-50).
15. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Mario Maesano, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b; and found Mario Maesano qualified, to serve as Vice President of Marketing for Marina District Development Company (d/b/a Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa), in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6 (24-12-11-15; transcript pages 50-53).
16. Considered the Joint Petition of DGMB Casino LLC and MGA Holding, LLC, requesting the qualification of MGA Holding, LLC as an Entity Qualifier and Security Holder of DGMB Casino, LLC, and issued the following rulings:

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

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

- a) found MGA Holding, LLC, qualified as a security holder and entity qualifier of casino licensee, DGMB Casino, LLC, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12 -85.1;
- b) found each of the designated natural person qualifiers to be qualified; and

all subject to the extent set forth in the final resolution (PRN 3372402) (ruling number 24-12-11-16; transcript pages 53-60).

In accordance with Resolution No. 24-12-11-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 68).

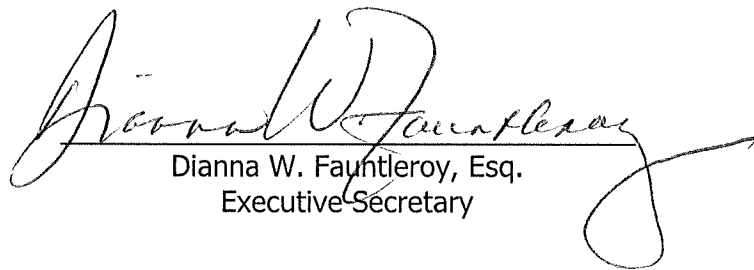
There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

*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.

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 December 11, 2024, are true and correct.


Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.
Executive Secretary