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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 25-03-12 March 12, 2025 - 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:

Chairman Plousis, on behalf of the Commission, acknowledged that Governor Murphy by Proclamation, designated March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month in the State of New Jersey, coinciding with the National Gambling Problem Awareness Month. The Commission applauded the efforts of the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey; and the New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement Responsible Gaming Initiative, for promoting responsible gaming throughout the State, and Nationally;

Commissioner Mollineaux congratulated Patrick Ealer in his new position as Assistant Director of Regulatory Affairs; and thanked John S. Flynn, Senior Vice President, Global Security, MGM Resorts International, for his military service;

Commissioner Mollineaux acknowledged March as International Women's History Month and thanked all the women working in the Casino Industry, the Casino Control Commission and the Division of Gaming Enforcement for their dedication, hard work, and determination; and

Vice Chairman Cooper also thanked all the wonderful women in the entire gaming industry.

- 1. By a vote of 2-0, Commissioner Mollineaux abstained, ratified the minutes of February 14, 2025 (transcript pages 26-27).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Dylan M. Beatty, Daniel D. Charlton, Yazmine A. Espinoza, James M. Knights and David Stetter, for casino key employee licenses. Adjourned the initial application of Anthony G. Faranca, for a casino key employee license (transcript pages 28-29).

By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of Raymond P. Pineault, Jr., for a casino key employee license; and waived the residency requirement, as provided for in *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89(b) (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 29-30);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial application of David P. Vallone, for casino key employee license, with a multi-casino endorsement (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 30-32); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Jamaine J. Richardson, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript page 32-33).

3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Kevin S. Hunt, Aharon M. Kiett, Kristina L. Klickovich (a/k/a Kristina L. Greblunas), Benjamin Koss, Donna M. Martin, Victoria L. O'Donovan (a/k/a Victoria L. Lyn), John S. Ramirez-Tabima, Michael B. Richter, Jr., Michael J. Rynkiewicz, Sr. and Michael P. Zippel, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 33-34);

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of James F. Allen; and for qualification as Chief Executive Officer for Boardwalk 1000, LLC (d/b/a Hard Rock Hotel & Casino 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 34-36).

- 4. Temporary casino key employee licenses and multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between February 1, 2025 and February 28, 2025, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 22-01-12-11-B to the following applicants: Reynaldo Arias, Dylan M. Beatty, Sherry R. Cronin (a/k/a Sherry R. McAllister, Sherry R. Thibodeaux), Kevin M. Entress (MCE), Dennis J. Forbes, 3rd, Jessica K. Hall (a/k/a Jessica K. Worts) (MCE), James K. McMackin, James D. Petrauskas and Anjanaben J. Trivedi (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 36-39).
- 5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee license held by Joanna C. Veasey (Ruling number 25-03-12-05; transcript pages 39-40).
- 6. By a vote of 3-0, found that Thomas J. Bird, Michael L. Booker, Steven F. Carfora, Stanley D. Hess, Daniel McCall, Steven N. Pfann, Gavin M. Powell and Joseph E. Vanderslice, 4th, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulation. (Ruling numbers 25-03-12-06-A, 25-03-12-06-B, 25-03-12-06-C, 25-03-12-06-D, 25-03-12-06-E, 25-03-12-06-F, 25-03-12-06-G, 25-03-12-06-H; transcript pages 40-42).
- 7. Considered the initial application of Daniel G. Tibbrine, 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 Daniel G. Tibbrine, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 25-0012-SI) (Ruling number 25-03-12-07; transcript pages 42-45).
- 8. Considered the initial application of Tanisha Moorman, 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 Tanisha Moorman, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 25-0016-SI) (Ruling number 25-03-12-08; transcript pages 45-47).
- 9. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of J.E. for Removal from the Self Exclusion List and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the Initial Decision of Hearing Examiner, Alisa B. Cooper, Vice Chairman, and found that Appellant failed to demonstrate that he did not intentionally place himself on the self-exclusion list, as required by *N.J.A.C.* 13:69G-2.2 (c); and denied his request to be removed from the self-exclusion list, prior to his September 4, 2029 expiration date (24-0091-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 25-03-12-09; transcript pages 47-52).

10. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of N.S. for Removal from the Self Exclusion List and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the Initial Decision of Hearing Examiner, Joyce Mollineaux, Commissioner, and found that Appellant failed to demonstrate that he did not intentionally place himself on the self-exclusion list, as required by *N.J.A.C.* 13:69G-2.2 (c); and denied his request to be removed from the self-exclusion list, prior to his March 31, 2025 expiration date (24-0052-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 25-03-12-10; transcript pages 52-55).

- 11. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found John S. Flynn, plenarily qualified to serve as Senior Vice President of Global Security for MGM Resorts International, in accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 25-03-12-11; transcript pages 55-58).
- 12. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Barron Fuller, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b; and found Barron Fuller qualified to serve as Regional President East for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with the provisions of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 25-03-12-12; transcript pages 58-77).
- 13. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Evan Jones, without the need to establish residency, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b; and found Evan Jones qualified to serve as Vice President of Operations for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.6 (Ruling number 25-03-12-13; transcript pages 77-88).
- 14. Considered the Joint Petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC (*d/b/a* Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) and HR Atlantic City, LLC, for the qualification of Boardwalk 1000 Holdings, LLC, as a holding company.

The commission considered the written submission, petition, exhibits 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 Boardwalk 1000 Holdings, LLC, has established by clear and convincing evidence that that it possess the financial stability, integrity and responsibility and the good character, honesty and integrity required by *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-84 and 85.1;
- b) found each of the designated natural person qualifiers: James F. Allen, George Goldhoff, James Tierney; and Nanette Horner, to have been previously found qualified by the Commission and remain qualified, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1; and
- c) found Boardwalk 1000 Holdings, LLC, plenarily qualified as a holding company of casino licensee, Boardwalk 1000, LLC; and HR Atlantic City, LLC, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1;

subject to the extent set forth in the findings and subject to the conditions in the Resolution (PRN 0362502) (ruling number 25-03-12-14; transcript pages 88-92).

15. Chairman Plousis read into the record a Resolution of the Casino Control Commission acknowledging March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month, which was unanimously adopted; and

The Commission recognized Luis Del Orbe, Executive Director of the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey; Mark Giannantonio, President and Chief Executive Officer of Resorts Casino Hotel; and President of the New Jersey Casino Association; and Jamie McKelvey, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Gaming Enforcement Responsible Gaming Coordinator (Ruling Number 25-03-12-15; transcript pages 9-25).

In accordance with Resolution No. 24-12-11-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript pages 92-93).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:51 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 12, 2025, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq. Executive Secretary