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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 25-12-10
December 10, 2025 - 10:30 p.m.

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: Commissioners Mario C. Formica and 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 as 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 12, 2025 (transcript pages 9-10).
2. The Commission unanimously approved the 2026 Annual Meeting Schedule (ruling number 25-12-10-02; transcript pages 10-11).

3. The Commission unanimously adopted Resolution No. 25-12-10-03 permitting the Commission to hold a closed session before each scheduled public meeting in 2026 (ruling number 25-12-10-03; transcript pages 11-12).
4. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Juan Laboy (*a/k/a* John Laboy) and Norman R. Nealy, for casino key employee licenses (transcript pages 12-13).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Courtney A. Boone, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 13-15); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Ryan M. Peters, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (transcript pages 12-13).
5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Marco L. Diana, Diana Donovan, Peter A. Pallitto, Sonal S. Patel (*a/k/a* Sonal R. Patel, Sonal R. Sandee), Gina M. Procaccini, Juan D. Salazar and Timothy J. Shortall, for casino key employee licenses. (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 15-17); and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Daniel M. McFadden and for qualification as Vice President Finance for AC Ocean Walk, LLC (*d/b/a* Ocean Casino Resorts) (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 17-18).
6. Temporary casino key employee licenses were issued between November 1, 2025 and November 30, 2025, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 22-01-12-11-B to the following applicants: Alicia M. Hall, Abdur R. Johnson-Molley (*a/k/a* Abdur-Rahim Johnson-Molley, Abdur R. Johnson), Naiem Khan, Ocie L. Lowery, Brian J. Roberts (*a/k/a* Brian J. Gayle), Saudlita S. Roberts and Maria S. Santos (*a/k/a* Maria S. Garcia, Maria S. Garcia-Colon, Maria S. Minor) (Exhibit EL-4*; transcript pages 18-20).
7. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Paul J. Pallitto, Susan E. Viering (*a/k/a* Susan E. Messore) and Zachary C. Zarnoch (Ruling numbers 25-12-10-07-A, 25-12-10-07-B, 25-12-10-07-C; transcript pages 20-22).
8. By a vote of 3-0, found that Rahqwayy J. Salahuddin (*a/k/a* Rodney J. Bishop), Darren M. Lynch, John P. Roskoph, Gerald R. Russomanno, Melina J. Villegas (*a/k/a* Melina J. Villegas-Valdez) and Keith J. Wall, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 25-12-10-08-A, 25-12-10-08-B, 25-12-10-08-C, 25-12-10-08-D, 25-12-10-08-E, 25-12-10-08-F; transcript pages 22-24).

9. The initial application of Thomas Coelho for a casino key employee license has been administratively resolved (DKT 25-0178-CK) (transcript pages 24).

10. Considered the initial application of Jelitza M. Smith, for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, found Jelitza M. Smith ("Applicant"), disqualified, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-80 (b), N.J.S.A. 5:12-80 (d), N.J.S.A. 5:12-86 and N.J.S.A. 5:12-89; and denied Applicant's initial application for a casino key employee license (DKT 25-0162-CK) (Ruling number 25-12-10-10; transcript pages 24-27).

11. Considered the initial application of James McMackin, 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 James McMackin, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 25-0171-CK) (Ruling number 25-12-10-11; transcript pages 27-30).

12. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of H.J. 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, Mario C. Formica, 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 August 14, 2029 expiration date (DKT-25-0119-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 25-12-10-12; transcript pages 30-32).

13. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Donna Langley Shamshiri, plenary qualified to serve as an Outside Director for MGM Resorts International, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1, N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b, and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling Number 24-12-10-13; transcript pages 32-36).

14. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Vladimira D. Mircheva, plenary qualified to serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Bally's Corporation, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1, N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b, and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling Number 24-12-10-14; transcript pages 36-39).

15. Considered the petition of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC (*d/b/a* Bally's Atlantic City), and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Kelly Jacoby, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b(4), N.J.S.A. 5:12-89e and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3; and permitted her to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Director of Finance for Premier Entertainment AC, 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 3242501) (Ruling number 25-12-10-15; transcript pages 39-42).

16. Considered the Joint Petition of Harrah's Atlantic City Operating Company, LLC, Boardwalk Regency, LLC and Tropicana Atlantic City Corp., and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Jonathan K. Henderson, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89e and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3; with a multi casino endorsement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-91.1; and permitted Jonathan K. Henderson to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Marketing, Regional for Harrah's Atlantic City Operating Company, LLC, Boardwalk Regency, LLC and Tropicana Atlantic City Corp., 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 3302503) (Ruling number 25-12-10-16; transcript pages 46-51).

17. Considered the Petition of Boardwalk Regency, LLC (*d/b/a* Caesars Atlantic City), and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Jacob Witmer, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89e and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Jacob Witmer to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Senior Vice President and General Manager for Boardwalk Regency, LLC (*d/b/a* Caesars Atlantic City), 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 3302501) (Ruling number 25-12-10-17; transcript pages 51-56).

18. Considered the Joint Petition of Premier Entertainment AC, LLC (*d/b/a* Bally's Atlantic City) and Bally's Corporation, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and authorized Ameet L. Patel, on a temporary basis and prior to plenary qualification, to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Senior Vice President and Regional General Manager, West for Bally's Corporation, 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 3252502) (Ruling number 25-12-10-18; transcript pages 42-46).

In accordance with Resolution No. 25-12-10-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 56).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:12 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 10, 2025, are true and correct.


Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.
Executive Secretary