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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 21-03-10
March 10, 2021 - 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

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 through access provided on the Commission's website, as well as through our YouTube channel, 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 votes of 2-0, ratified the minutes of February 10, 2021; and the Special Meeting of February 19, 2021 (transcript pages 18-20).
2. By a vote of 2-0, granted the initial applications of Armani C. Stewart, Jeffrey G. Wray and Thomas J. Yannaccone, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 20-21); and

By a vote of 2-0, remanded the initial application of Michael M. Clement, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 21-22).

3. By a vote of 2-0, granted the resubmitted applications of George J. Bannon, Jr., Maura A. Buckley, Lynn H. Carrington (*a/k/a Lynn H. Jones*), Domingo Cruz (*a/k/a Domingo Cruz-Cruz*), Kellie A. Decelis (*a/k/a Kellie A. Powell, Kellie A. Pitre*), Dawn M. Howe (*a/k/a Dawn M. Stewart*), Joseph A. Melchionne, Jr., Joseph R. Restle, Thomas M. Santoro and Keven G. Stauffer, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 22-24).
4. Temporary casino key employee licenses and multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between February 5, 2021 and March 4, 2021, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: Kevin Coulter, Kelli S. Grate, Vickilynn Guveiyian (MCE), John R. Howard, III, Luis B. Narvaez and Dennis Ricci (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 24-25).
5. By a vote of 2-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Paul F. Gatti, John M. Grasso, Anthony R. Mantione, Kevin M. Smith, Anthony Talvacchio and William E. Wannop (Ruling numbers 21-03-10-05-A, 21-03-10-05-B, 21-03-10-05-C, 21-03-10-05-D, 21-03-10-05-E, 21-03-10-05-F; transcript pages 26-27).
6. By a vote of 2-0, found that Colleen M. Carmen, Tab A. Duchateau, Rose C. LePore and Steven J. Rao, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 21-03-10-06-A, 21-03-10-06-B, 21-03-10-06-C, 21-03-10-06-D; transcript pages 27-29).
7. By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Scott Wessel, plenary qualified to serve as Senior Vice President, Technology & Digital Solutions for MGM Resorts International, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1c, N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1d, 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 (Ruling number 21-03-10-07; transcript pages 29-31).
8. Considered the petition of Tropicana Atlantic City, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 2-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Zaruhi ("Zara") Alayan, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(e) and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3 (d), and permitted her to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President of Finance for Tropicana Atlantic City, pending plenary qualification; subject to the conditions contained in N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1, N.J.S.A. 5:12-89 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6 (PRN 0562104) (21-03-10-08; transcript pages 31-35).
9. Considered the petition of Golden Nugget Online Gaming, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 2-0, approved the joint petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Michael J. Harwell, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(e) and N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b (4), and permitted him to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Golden Nugget Online Gaming, LLC, Golden Nugget Online Gaming, Inc, LHGN HoldCo, LLC and GNOG Holdings, LLC, *nunc pro tunc* to November 25, 2020; 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), N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7c and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7d (PRN 0492102) (21-03-10-09; transcript pages 35-39).

10. By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Keith Causey, plenary qualified to serve as Senior Vice President Strategic Business Services and Information Technology for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with 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 (Ruling number 21-03-10-10; transcript pages 39-41).

11. By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Brandi Ellis, plenary qualified to serve as Senior Vice President VIP Marketing for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with 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 (Ruling number 21-03-10-11; transcript pages 41-44).

12. By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Eric L. Golebiewski, plenary qualified to serve as Vice President Security Operations for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with 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 (Ruling number 21-03-10-12; transcript pages 44-46).

13. By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Josh K. Jones, plenary qualified to serve as Chief Marketing Officer for Caesars Entertainment, Inc., in accordance with 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 (Ruling number 21-03-10-13; transcript pages 46-49).

14. Considered the petition of MGM Resorts International and Marina District Development Company, LLC, and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 2-0, approved the joint petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Kenya C. Evans, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(e) and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3, and permitted her to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Executive Director Information Technology for MGM Resorts International, 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. Further, granted the petitioners' request to waive the residency requirement, as provided for in N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(b) 4 (PRN 0612101) (21-03-10-14; transcript pages 49-52).

15. Considered the petition of Caesars Entertainment Operating Company, LLC and VICI Properties, Inc., for approval of the eighth direct amendment to the Regional Lease.

The Commission heard presentations of Paul O'Gara, Counsel for Caesars Entertainment Operating Company, LLC; and Camila Mendes-Ferreira, Deputy Attorney General, for the Division of Gaming Enforcement.

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

By a vote of 2-0, adopted the draft resolution and granted the relief requested in the petition and approved the eighth direct amendment to the Regional Lease, subject to the extent set forth in the findings and all the conditions imposed in Resolution Numbers 17-05-10-13 and 20-07-15-15 (PRN 0472102) (Ruling number 21-03-10-15; transcript pages 52-55).

16. 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 Neva Pryor, Executive Director at the Council of Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey and Hotline 1-800-GAMBLER; and Steve Callendar, Regional President of Caesars Entertainment, Inc. and President of the Casino Association of New Jersey (Ruling Number 21-03-10-16; transcript pages 10-18).

In accordance with Resolution No. 20-12-09-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript pages 56).

The Public submitted comments to public.comments@ccc.state.nj.us from the beginning and anytime throughout the meeting, ending at the time of adjournment. During the public participation portion of the meeting the following comments were read into the record:

Daniel Heneghan: Thank you for your continued support for problem gamblers (transcript pages 56-57).

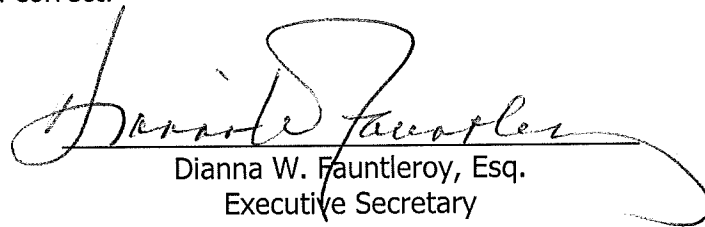
The meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m. (transcript pages 57).

*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 March 10, 2021, are true and correct.



Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.
Executive Secretary