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CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION TENNESSEE AVENUE AND BOARDWALK Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401

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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 23-02-08 February 8, 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 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:

- 1. By a vote of 3-0, ratified the minutes of January 11, 2023 (transcript page 10-11).
- 2. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Kenneth W. Adams, III, David M. Aurichio, Margherita Falks (a/k/a Margherita Avella, Margherita Schettino), Victoria S. Hutto (a/k/a Victoria S. Sisombath, Victoria S. Cronstanza), Quintayva Q. Jones (a/k/a Quintayva Q. Ragland), Brian M. Long, Jeffrey J. Lowich, Maria E. Miller (a/k/a Marie E.

Cohen, Maria E. Shurts), Abel Rojas-Rodriguez, Brian M. Santos, Mehul Y. Shah and Kristen N. Staffieri (a/k/a Kirsten N. Staffieri), for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11-13);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Brian Conley (a/k/a Brian G. Lugenbeel), for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11, 13-14);

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Christopher M. Tilley, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11, 13-14).

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Monique I. Gracia, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11, 13-14); and

By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of Unique M. James, for a casino key employee license to a hearing (Exhibit EL-1*; transcript pages 11, 13-14).

3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of John Bitzberger, Milagros Carrion-Cohen (a/k/a Milagros Arroyo), Christopher P. Cottrell, Walter J. Cox, III, Peter G. Dalzell, Vong T. Doan, Nilsa Gonzalez-Zhechev (a/k/a Nilsa Espinoza, Nilsa Gonzalez), Michael J. Gorney, Sr. (a/k/a Michael J Gorney, Jr.), Victoria R. Marr (a/k/a Victoria R. Witkowski), Lawrence J. McCabe, Mary E. O'Brien (a/k/a Mary E. Mick), Vikas Patel, Hong D. Pham, Glenn Pompo and Raymond C. Sands, III, for casino key employee licenses (Exhibit EL-2*; transcript pages 14-16); and

By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted casino key employee license application of Signe J. Huff (a/k/a Signe J. Carlson) and for qualification as Vice President of Human Resources for AC Ocean Walk, LLC (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 16-17).

- 4. Temporary casino key employee licenses and multi casino endorsements (MCE) were issued between January 1, 2023 and January 31, 2023, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 17-01-11-11-C to the following applicants: Michael J Callaghan (MCE), Audrey A. Cerniglia (MCE), Arnold D. DeMarc, Carlos J. Gutierrez-Martinez, Joseph A. Korba, Lynn M. Mazer (MCE), Kenneth M. McCord, Donysha K. Miller, Gregory E. Moore, Bruce C. Pearlman and Dominick A. Yacovelli, II (Exhibit EL-3*; transcript pages 17-20).
- 5. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee license held Marcella R. Baccari (a/k/a Marcella R. Disidori), Keith H. Crede (a/k/a Henry K. Crede), Norma DiSabato (a/k/a Norma Ingargiola), Charles B. Ford, Jr. and Kevin C. Ortzman (Ruling numbers 23-02-08-05-A, 23-02-08-05-B, 23-02-08-05-C, 23-02-08-05-D, 23-02-08-05-E; transcript pages 20-21).

- 6. By a vote of 3-0, found that Thomas J. Ballance, Barbara A. Burns (a/k/a Barbara A. Wilkins), Jessica A. Rowan and Michael T. Salmon, casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulations. (Ruling numbers 23-02-08-06-A, 23-02-08-06-B, 23-02-08-06-C, 23-02-08-06-D; transcript pages 21-22).
- 7. Considered the initial application of Elena Rinaldi, 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 Elena Rinaldi, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DTK 22-0036-CK) (Ruling number 23-02-08-07; transcript pages 22-24).

8. Considered the initial application of Edwin Ortiz, 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 Edwin Ortiz, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0053-CK) (Ruling number 23-02-08-08; transcript pages 24-26).

9. Considered the initial application of Jodi A. Edwards, 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 Jodi A. Edwards, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT 22-0051-CK) (Ruling number 23-02-08-09; transcript pages 26-28).

10. Considered the initial application of Juan C. Mendez, for a casino key employee license and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, dismissed the Initial Decision issued in this matter as moot; approved the stipulation of settlement between the Division of Gaming Enforcement and Applicant; and granted the initial application of Juan C. Mendez, for a casino key employee license, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions as provided for in the stipulation (DKT-22-0026-CK) (23-02-08-10; transcript pages 28-31).

- 11. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Michael J. Cappetta, qualified to serve as Senior Vice President of Internal Audit of MGM Resorts International, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-85.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 13:69C-2.7 (Ruling number 23-02-08-11; transcript pages 31-33).
- 12. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and found Stephen J. Szapor, qualified to serve as a Member of the Audit Committees of Boardwalk 1000, LLC 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 (Ruling number 23-02-08-12; transcript pages 33-36).
- 13. By a vote of 3-0, adopted the draft resolution and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Melissa L. Stuchel, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-89b; and found Melissa L. Stuchel qualified to serve as Director of Casino Marketing for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp., in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 5:12-85.1 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:69C-2.6 (23-02-08-13; transcript pages 39-42).
- 14. 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 James Tierney, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89b, *N.J.S.A.* 5:12-89e and *N.J.A.C.* 19:41A-5.3; and permitted James Tierney to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President of Strategic Performance for Boardwalk 1000, 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 0272301) (23-02-08-14; transcript pages 36-39).

15. Adjourned the Amended Petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC and HR Atlantic City, LLC for approval to Amend a Management Agreement (PRN 3142203) (transcript page 42).

In accordance with Resolution No. 22-12-07-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 42).

During the public participation portion of the meeting, Steve Young, Atlantic City, addressed the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

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*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 February 8, 2023, are true and correct.

Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq. Executive Secretary