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July 21, 2023

Jarhett Blonien  
Pinnacle Casino



Re: Approval of Renewal Cardroom Business License with Condition(s) (GEGE-001357)

Dear Mr. Blonien:

On July 20, 2023, the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) approved Pinnacle Casino, LLC dba Pinnacle Casino, and Tammy Massa, applications for renewal Cardroom Business License through **July 31, 2025**, with the following condition(s).

1. *Prior to the opening for business, the Cardroom Business Licensee, shall provide to the Bureau of Gambling Control:*
  - A. *A current and valid business license issued by the City of Soledad for the gambling establishment;*
  - B. *A current reviewed and approved Safety and Security Plan, as required by California Code of Regulations, title 4, sections 12370 and 12372;*
  - C. *A current Emergency and Evacuation Plan, as required by California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12370, that has been approved by the responsible local authority;*
  - D. *A current lease for the gambling establishment's premises, if applicable; and*
  - E. *A current and complete Chart of Accounts, as required by California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12312.*
  
2. *The Cardroom Business Licensee may not open or offer controlled games until the Bureau of Gambling Control has inspected the cardroom and determined the cardroom is in compliance with all pertinent regulatory standards.*

That decision was stayed for 30-days to provide you the opportunity to request an evidentiary hearing.

On July 20, 2023, the Commission received your assent to the conditions placed on your license; therefore, the Commission's decision to approve the License with the above condition(s) is now final (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 19870(c)).

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Please note as Pinnacle Casino is not operating and no longer has a location, a Cardroom Business License certificate and endorsement will not be issued at this time. Upon notification of the Bureau of Gambling Control's (Bureau) notice of compliance of Pinnacle Casino's new location, a Cardroom Business License certificate and endorsement will be issued.

Condition Compliance

The discussion regarding the placement of the condition can be found in the meeting minutes and audio recording of the meeting on our website, [www.cgcc.ca.gov](http://www.cgcc.ca.gov), under the meetings tab and select your corresponding meeting date in the audio column.

As a reminder, it is ultimately the Owner-Licensee's responsibility to remain in compliance with any conditions placed on the license. The Commission does **not** send reminder notices for compliance with the condition(s). **Failure to comply with Commission conditions may result in consequences up to and including denial or revocation of licensure.**

Any documentation or written updates that are required to be submitted as part of the conditions should be submitted to the following email and include an attachment of this letter, [BGCconditions@doj.ca.gov](mailto:BGCconditions@doj.ca.gov).

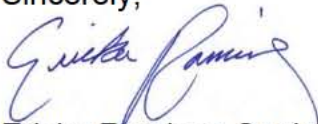
If you are unable to submit the information via email, please submit the documents or written updates, along with a copy of this letter, to the Bureau at the address listed below:

California Department of Justice  
Bureau of Gambling Control  
2450 Del Paso Rd., Ste. 100  
Sacramento, CA 95834

An application to renew the Cardroom Business license will be due to the Bureau 120-days prior to the license expiration date. The Bureau will send a courtesy notification letter approximately 150-days prior to the license expiration. However, it is ultimately your responsibility to ensure the renewal applications are submitted timely.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 263-6292.

Sincerely,



Ericka Ramirez, Senior Lead Analyst  
Licensing Division

cc: Soledad Police Department