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Notice and Agenda of Commission Meeting  
California Gambling Control Commission

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California Gambling Control Commission 2399 Gateway Oaks Drive Hearing Room 100 (first floor) Sacramento, CA 95833	Zoom Link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/2857578614">https://zoom.us/j/2857578614</a> Or Call-In: 1-888-475-4499 US Toll-free Meeting ID number: 285 757 8614

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10:00 a.m. Thursday February 22, 2024

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**OPEN SESSION:**

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call of Commissioners.
3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:
  - A. December 21, 2023 – Commission Meeting
  - B. January 11, 2024 – Commission Meeting
4. Consideration of Stock Repurchase Agreement (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19824(c) and 19904):  

Artichoke Joe’s Casino:	Artichoke Joe’s (A California Corporation)
	Helen Sammut Family Trust, Seller
	Artichoke Joe’s (A California Corporation), Buyer
5. Consideration of Initial Cardroom Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, and 19852; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):  

Parkwest 395:	Parkwest 395, LLC
	John Park, Managing Member

6. Consideration of A) Renewal Cardroom Owner Type License; and, B) Initial Cardroom Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, 19852, and 19876; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):
  - A. Sundowner Cardroom: Sundowner Cardroom  
Augustine Mora, Jr., Sole Proprietor
  - B. Sundowner Cardroom: Sundowner Cardroom  
Jay Grant, Community Property Interest Holder
7. Consideration of Renewal of Cardroom Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19852, and 19876; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):
  - A. Casino M8trix: Garden City, Inc.\*
  - B. Oceanview Casino: Oceanview Casino  
Veronica Chohrach, Sole Proprietor
  - C. Parkwest Casino Manteca: Parkwest Casino Manteca, LLC\*
  - D. Player's Casino: Player's Poker Club, Inc.\*
8. Consideration of Petition to Terminate Third-Party Proposition Player Services Contract (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12270(f)):
  - A. Casino, LLC, dba Larry Flynt's Lucky Lady Casino and Blackstone Gaming, LLC
  - B. Celebrity Casinos, Inc., dba Crystal Casino and Blackstone Gaming, LLC
  - C. El Dorado LF, LLC, dba Hustler Casino and Blackstone Gaming, LLC
  - D. Garden City, Inc., dba Casino M8trix and Blackstone Gaming, LLC
9. Consideration of A) Request to Withdraw Application for Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License; and B) Renewal Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12015 and 12054):
  - A. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:  
Worker: Dan Allard
  - B. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:  
Worker: Dan Allard
10. Consideration of Renewal Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):
  - A. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:  
Worker: Steven De Los Angeles
  - B. Knighted Ventures, LLC:  
Supervisors: i) Earl Edrian Aquino      ii) Chelsey Lee
  - C. Players Edge Services:  
Supervisor: Michael Le
11. Consideration of Tribal-State Compact Renewal Finding of Suitability as a Gaming Resource Supplier (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):
  - A. Reliable Business Concerns, Inc. dba William Miller, Jr., President, Treasurer,  
Reliable Security Sound & Data: Secretary, Director, Sole Shareholder

B. RIESTER Sonoran, LLC: RIESTER Sonoran, LLC  
 The RIESTER Corporation, Member  
 Timothy Riester, President, Chief Financial Officer,  
 Secretary, Treasurer, Director, Shareholder

12. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):  
 Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria:  
 Cathy Lee

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

*Items on the consent calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be discussed, in which case it will be discussed separately at a later point in the meeting.*

13. Consideration of Initial and Temporary Commission Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):  
 Napa Valley Casino: Sibory Phim

14. Consideration of Renewal Commission Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):  
 Empire Sportsmen’s Association: Sandra Dan Elena Harlan

15. Consideration of Renewal Third-Party Proposition Player Services Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):  
 KB Ventures: Kerry Mae Barclay, Chief Executive Officer, Chief  
 Financial Officer, Secretary, Sole Shareholder and Director

16. Consideration of Initial and Temporary Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):

- A. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:  
 Workers: Revi Mae Enriquez Torean Gardner
- B. Commerce Group, Inc.:  
 Supervisor: Jessica Flores
- C. F2 TPS, LLC:  
 Workers: Joshua Agerton Javier Ascencio Cervantes
- D. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:  
 Workers: Guo Feng Feng Xiang Zou
- E. Knighted Ventures, LLC:  
 Workers: Amanda Beaton James Colgan Timothy Heinz  
 Beiqing Jiang TommyB Le Elyssa Lucas  
 Ashley Obenza Anthony Soto Xiaojun Tang  
 Jameswel Valenzuela Dusu Wen
- F. Progressive Gaming, LLC:  
 Workers: Jinhui Li Shen Shao Jun Tan

17. Consideration of Renewal Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):  
 KB Ventures:  
 Worker: Alyssa Ceballos

18. Consideration of Tribal-State Compact Renewal Finding of Suitability as a Gaming Resource Supplier and a Financial Source (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):  
 A. Dynasty Games Distributing: Roger Lynn Fuller, Sole Proprietor

B. Halifax Security, Inc., dba North American Video: Halifax Security Holdings, Inc. (HSH), Parent Company  
 Halifax Security, Inc. dba North American Video (HSI)  
 Jason David Oakley, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary, Director of HSI; Director and Shareholder of HSH  
 Peter Michael Rode, Director of HSI; Director and Shareholder of HSH  
 Laurie Ellen Smock, Vice President, Director of HSI; Director and Shareholder of HSH

C. HCAL, LLC: HCAL, LLC  
 Caesars Entertainment Operating Company (CEOC), LLC, Sole Managing Member  
 Caesars Holdings Inc., Sole Managing Member of CEOC  
 Jill Marie Barrett, Vice President

19. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Cathedral City - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Alexis Jernigan Tyler Lott
- B. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Rene Cardona-Cepeda Johnson Xie
- C. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:  
 Dalton Pollard
- D. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:  
 Martha Valadez
- E. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:  
 Leigh Williams Abby Yang
- F. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:  
 Marta Maciel Cameron Talley
- G. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
 Anisha Khadka
- H. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:  
 John Canoon
- I. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
 Durran Smith
- J. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:  
 Rafael Mendoza Gonzalez
- K. Running Creek Casino - Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake:  
 Roy Martin II
- L. Sky River Casino - Wilton Rancheria:  
 Aldrian Callejo Laily Dethvongsa Nai Saefong  
 Hue Vang
- M. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:  
 Matthew Butterly
- N. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
 Luis Lomeli
- O. Yaamava' Resort and Casino at San Manuel - Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation:  
 Juan Flores Sanchez

20. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Cathedral City - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Harley Tapia Orozco Alwyn Ulep
- B. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Linda Agresor Tricia Gellis Vienna Rayos

- C. Agua Caliente Casino Rancho Mirage - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Saul Arriaga Jr. Evangelestine Canada Carlos Escobar  
 Wipa Fryer Maria Garcia Maureen McCleary Bernardis  
 Kasandra Soto Benjamin Welter
- D. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:  
 Debora Cadena Jeffrey Carbonell Amelia DeAngelo  
 Eric Gardiola Anthony Sitz Jr. Mark Wanser  
 Kevin Ward Aaron Watt
- E. Bear River Casino Resort - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:  
 John Simmons Sean Taylor
- F. Cahuilla Casino - Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians:  
 Linda Young
- G. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:  
 Javier Canchola Rizo Eric Rivas Timothy Sumner
- H. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
 Krystal Bray Kevin Degn Jesse Jones  
 Matthew Lewis Carol Olney
- I. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:  
 Nessi Phannaphob
- J. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:  
 Jamie Dillard
- K. Feather Falls Casino & Lodge - Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians:  
 Matthew Weisser
- L. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
 Keith Prime
- M. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:  
 Royce Rosales
- N. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
 Lisa Coy
- O. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:  
 Luay Damman Hasar Doski Michael Healu
- P. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:  
 Viliame Rokoika Cassie Taylor
- Q. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
 Hamid Sadeghi
- R. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:  
 Jessica Hernandez Antonia Sevene
- S. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
 Samuel Aleman Alanzel Baltazar Daniel Bressler  
 Ana Maria Foster Kenneth Hatmaker Kevin Kessler  
 Jeffrey Metsker Sally Moreno-Ortiz Felix Ramirez Jr.  
 Jody Rivas Teang Sok Charles Spinella  
 Brant Tunget Jesse Vilaysane Charles Williams  
 Noeun Yorn Dalisay
- T. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:  
 Nicholas Hauf Maria Torres
- U. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:  
 Larry Arterberry
- V. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:  
 Sabrena Buchholz Ryan Clausen Michael Luigi Medina  
 Icilia Nunez
- W. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
 Kenichi Meyer Gabriella Nunez Nang Va

Anthony Veloz Jr.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

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**CLOSED SESSION:**

- I. Litigation (Government Code section 11126(e)):
  - A. Eric G. Swallow v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-800002402)
  - B. Lucky Chances, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002549)
  - C. Yavapai-Apache Nation v. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians and California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento Superior Court (34-2018-00238711)
  - D. Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)
  - E. Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)
  - F. Elizabeth Flynt, et al., v. Rob Bonta, Nathan DaValle, Paula D. LaBrie, et al.; United States District Court, Eastern District of California (16 CV 02831 JAM EFB)
  - G. Lucky Chances, Inc., VC Cardroom, et al. v. State of California, California Gambling Control Commission, et al. Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2020-80003510-CU-MW-GDS)
  - H. Harvey F. Souza v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003287)
  - I. Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Valley Miwok Tribe, et al. and the California Gambling Control Commission; San Diego County Superior Court (37-2022-00012884-CU-BC-CTL)
  - J. Sutter's Place, Inc., dba Bay 101 Casino v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-51809)
  - K. Club One Casino, Inc.; Kyle Kirkland; Dana Messina; KMG, Inc. v. Yolanda Morrow and the California Gambling Control Commission; Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000018)
  - L. California Gaming Association v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-518185)
  - M. Knighted Ventures, LLC, Roy Choi & Jieho Lee v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000051)
  - N. Fortiss, LLC, et al. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000050)
  - O. Dora Christina Brown v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000039)
  - P. California Gaming Association and David Shindle v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-518317)
- II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3):
  - A. In the Matter of the Accusation and Statement of Issues Against Lucky Chances, Inc., Rommel Medina, Ruell Medina, (OAH No.2015110463)
  - B. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Dora Christina Brown, (CGCC-2023-0504-5)

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

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