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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the 120-day extension through February 28, 2018, with the condition noted below:

*The licensee may not open or offer controlled games until the Bureau of Gambling Control has inspected the cardroom and determined that the cardroom is in compliance with all pertinent regulatory standards.*

6. Consideration of Initial Portable Personal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12350):

A. Vincent DiNatale

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee License through May 31, 2018.

B. Bai Guo

Comments Received From:

Bai Guo, in person

Commissioner Hammond asked Ms. Guo if she understands and agrees to the conditions placed on her license. Ms. Guo confirmed she understands and agrees to the condition.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner To voting yes, and Commissioner LaBrie voting no; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee License through January 31, 2018, with the condition noted below:

*Beginning December 1, 2017, Bai Guo must provide to the Bureau of Gambling Control an accounting of deposits every 6 months, to include who received from and the nature of the deposit.*

C. Patricia Hernandez

Ms. Hernandez was not in attendance.

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission referred the Initial Key Employee License to a Gambling Control Act (GCA) evidentiary hearing.

6.5. Consideration of Renewal Portable Personal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12351):

Peter Schneider

Comments Received From:

Peter Schneider, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Prior to hearing this item, the Commission took a break to address technical difficulties. Upon return, the Chairman Evans announced that the live stream would need to be discontinued for this meeting to avoid further interference; however, the recorded audio will still be made available to the public after the conclusion of the meeting.

Commissioner Hammond asked Mr. Schneider how he is handling his student loans. Mr. Schneider stated that he is making monthly payments.

Assistant Director, Yolanda Morrow, reiterated that Mr. Schneider has been paying monthly on his student loans.

Commissioner To asked questions concerning Mr. Schneider's student loans. Mr. Schneider responded that the loans stem from post-graduate studies. Mr. To asked Mr. Schneider if he is confident he will make the payments to satisfy the loan. Mr. Schneider replied that if he will continue to make his monthly payments until the loan is satisfied.

Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Schneider if the loan is in forbearance. Mr. Schneider stated that the loan is current and not in default.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Key Employee License through October 31, 2019, removing the existing condition noted below:

Condition to be Removed:

*Beginning November 1, 2017, and every 180 days thereafter, Peter Schneider must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of on-going efforts to satisfy his student loan account balance.*

7. Consideration to Withdraw Application for Portable Personal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869; CCR, Title 4, sections 12015 and 12054):

Robert Ezzell

Comments Received From:

Robert Ezzell, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Ezzell why he changed his mind and now does not want to request the withdrawal.

Mr. Ezzell responded that he decided it would be foolish to withdraw, and will cooperate and provide to the Bureau all the information that is requested.

Assistant Director Morrow stated that the Bureau has completed the background report and will provide a completed report by the end of the week if the withdrawal request is denied.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission denied the withdrawal request and required the Bureau to complete the background investigation on Mr. Ezzell.

8. Consideration of Initial Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12104):

A. Central Coast Casino: Somgkith Phetnoi

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Work Permit through April 30, 2019.

B. Parkwest Casino Sonoma: Gina Kougl

Comments Received From:

Gina Kougl, via telephone

Commissioner To asked Ms. Kougl if she understands the condition placed on her license. Ms. Kougl confirmed she understands and accepts the condition.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner

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Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Work Permit through June 30, 2019, with the condition noted below:

*Beginning December 1, 2017, and every 90 days thereafter, Gina Koughl must submit to the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of full payment or efforts to resolve the outstanding fees owed for her June 2017 conviction.*

9. Consideration of Conversion of Third-Party Providers of Proposition Player Services Registrations to License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12218):

A. Acme Player Services, LLC:

Players: i) Enrique Mesina

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through October 31, 2019.

ii) Gregory Hill

Comments Received From:

Gregory Hill, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Commissioner Hammond asked Mr. Hill if he has followed the Stay Away Order.

Mr. Hill stated that the Stay Away Order has been dropped and is now a Protective Order. Commissioner Hammond asked Mr. Hill if he is in contact with his partner/former partner. Mr. Hill replied yes, and confirmed they currently live together.

Commissioner To asked if Mr. Hill was ever physically arrested for the incident. Mr. Hill responded that he received a letter to appear in court, but was never arrested. Mr. Hill attested he appeared in court the following day.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that the Bureau could not find any evidence of an arrest and only has records that Mr. Hill had to appear in court. Assistant Director Morrow also indicated there was no evidence of an arrest report.

Commissioner Hammond asked Mr. Hill how is his relationship with his partner. Mr. Hill responded that the relationship with his partner is fine, and the incident that occurred was blown out of proportion.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that the Protection Order is active and in effect until August, 2020.

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Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Hill if his partner admitted that she exaggerated the situation. Mr. Hill stated that his partner admitted to the judge that she lied and there was no physical altercation, however, it was too late to change the conviction.

Commissioner To stated that he would like to hear from Mr. Hill's partner to confirm the veracity of Mr. Hill's statements.

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Hill if his partner could provide additional information by appearing before the Commission at an upcoming meeting or by phone. Mr. Hill responded no.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission referred the Conversion License to a GCA evidentiary hearing.

B. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Player: Christian Morales

Comments Received From:

Christian Morales, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Assistant Director Morrow stated for the record that Mr. Morales cleared his failure to appear and all fees were paid.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through October 31, 2019, and removing the condition noted below:

Condition to be Removed:

*Beginning November 1, 2017, and every 90 days thereafter, as needed, Christian Morales must submit to the Bureau of Gambling Control (Bureau\_ proof of full payment or efforts to resolved the outstanding fees owed for his September 2015 Vehicle code infraction and his outstanding Failure to Appear (FTA).*

C. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Player: Nithaphone Manichanh

Comments Received From:

Nithaphone Manichanh, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

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Commissioner To asked why Ms. Manichanh did not disclose her conviction on her application. Ms. Manichanh indicated that she had a DUI, and did not know that she had to disclose the conviction.

Assistant Director Morrow stated that the Bureau was not aware that Ms. Manichanh had a DUI and all the Bureau was aware of was the speeding and driving with a suspended license and will provide an update.

Without objections, Chairman Evans stated that the Commission will take no action for the Bureau to investigate further into Ms. Manichanh's background and provide an update.

10. Consideration to Withdraw Application(s) to Convert Third-Party Proposition Registration to a License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984, 19869; CCR, Title 4, sections 12015 and 12054):

A. Aces High Gaming, LLC:

Player: Autumn Tinney

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the request to withdraw the Conversion License with prejudice.

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: i) LeMans Ivory

Comments Received From:

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Assistant Director Morrow stated that approving with prejudice gives the applicant an opportunity to reduce his conviction from a felony to a misdemeanor.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the request to withdraw the Conversion License with prejudice.

ii) Christine Medina

Comments Received From:

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Assistant Director Morrow stated that approving with prejudice gives the applicant an opportunity to reduce her conviction from a felony to a misdemeanor.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the request to withdraw the Conversion License with prejudice.

C. Global Player Services, Inc.:

Player: Maira Ramirez-Frausto

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission denied the withdrawal request and require the Bureau to complete the background investigation for the applicant.

11. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

Jackson Rancheria Casino & Hotel - Jackson Band of Miwok Indians:  
Jennifer Jones

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through July 28, 2019.

12. Consideration of A) Rescission of Referral to Evidentiary Hearing; and B) Initial Application for Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa –Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation:  
Angela Ruiz

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission rescinded the referral of Angela Ruiz's Finding of Suitability from the evidentiary hearing process and abandoned the Initial Application for Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability.

Prior to calling Item 13, Executive Director Stacey Luna Baxter noted that she recused herself from item 13 due to the initial action while she was still employed with the Bureau, and left the Commission meeting room.



13. Consideration of A) Loan; and B) Proposed Stipulated Settlement C) Rescission of APA Evidentiary Hearing Referral; and D) State Gambling License Renewal Applications (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19824, 19850, 19851, 19852, and 19901; CCR, Title 4, sections 12017(c), 12035(b)(4), 12054, 12342, and 12552):

A. Clovis 500 Club: Patricia LeBlanc, Lender  
Louis Sarantos, Jr., Borrower

No action was taken on this item.

B. Clovis 500 Club: Louis Sarantos Jr., Sole Proprietor/Respondent  
*BGC Case Nos. HQ2015-0003AC and HQ2017-00001AC*

Comments Received From:

Bill Torngren, Deputy Attorney General, IGLS, in person  
Jim Betts, Counsel for Louis Sarantos  
Raymond Marshall, Counsel for Club One Casino  
Keith Sharp, Counsel for Clovis 500  
Todd Vlaanderen, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission

Chief Counsel Todd Vlaanderen presented a brief timeline of events leading up to the Bureau's submission of a stipulated settlement for the Commission to review for potential adoption of a decision and order. The Commission will deliberate and decide on the matter in Closed Session. The item is also placed in Open Session for the Commission to ask questions and the parties make comments.

Deputy Attorney General, Bill Torngren, on behalf of the complainant, stated that he was present to answer any questions. Mr. Torngren further stated that the Stipulated Settlement was the result of a day and a half of judge supervised settlement negotiations that resolves two accusations with respect to Mr. Sarantos and believes that it is in the public interest to have this settlement.

Counsel for Louis Sarantos, Jim Betts, introduced himself and stated he was available to answer any questions. Chairman Evans asked, with respect to the issues brought up by the Commission, if reopening the issues would be harmful to the Clovis 500 and Louis Sarantos side of negotiations. Mr. Betts responded that when agreements are reopened, control is lost with regard to the path that either party takes. Mr. Betts stated that if there were any modifications to the Stipulated Settlement his preference would be that they be made as amendments to the Stipulated Settlement and not to reopen negotiations entirely.

Chief Counsel Vlaanderen indicated that the Commission is required to approve or disapprove the Stipulated Settlement in their entirety, and a Commission amendment to the settlement is not an option.

Mr. Betts urged the Commission to approve the Stipulated Settlement as is.

Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Betts is there is a pending potential sale.

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Mr. Betts responded that there is a potential sale of the card room pending approval of the Stipulated Settlement.

Counsel for Club One Casino, Raymond Marshall, introduced himself and raised concerns for process, procedure, and public policy with regard to any decision the Commission makes.

Mr. Marshall stated that his letter dated October 17, 2017, as submitted to the Commission requested three options; 1. Deny the proposed settlement; 2. Have the Commission execute an independent investigation; or, 3. Have the card room go to an evidentiary hearing.

Mr. Betts disputed the allegations in Mr. Marshall's letter and indicated the issues raised were not new and have been vigorously investigated.

Attorney for Clovis 500, Keith Sharp, reported that Mr. Maloney, representing Club One Casino, relayed an offer from Kyle Kirkland to Clovis 500 to offer financing or potential ownership to get the card room running again. Clovis 500 did not accept Mr. Kirkland's offer, the tenor of Kyle Kirkland's attitude towards Clovis 500 changed.

Mr. Marshall responded that he wanted clarity in the facts of the proposed settlement.

Mr. Torngren concluded by stating the Bureau was aware of the matters raised in Club One Casino's letters and confirmed the matters were investigated and considered in negotiating the Stipulated Settlement. In conclusion, Mr. Torngren stated that the negotiated settlement is in the public's best interest and advocated approval of the Stipulated Settlement.

C. Clovis 500 Club: George Sarantos, Financial Interest Holder

Comments Received From:

Bill Hancock, Attorney for George Sarantos, via telephone  
George Sarantos, via telephone

Mr. Hancock on behalf of Mr. Sarantos stated for the record that Mr. Sarantos would like to support option one for items 13C and 13D (Rescission of APA Evidentiary Hearing Referral of George Sarantos's renewal application). Mr. Hancock indicated that he and Mr. Sarantos are not privy on the terms of the stipulated settlement would like interest to remain in full and unaltered and have concerns as they don't know what the terms are.

Chief Counsel Todd Vlaanderen stated that the terms of stipulated settlement are confidential between parties and the Commission. Deputy Director Adrianna Alcalá-Beshara confirmed Mr. Sarantos was previously advised of such fact as well.

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Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission rescinded the referral of George Sarantos's renewal application to an evidentiary hearing.

D. Clovis 500 Club: George Sarantos, Financial Interest Holder

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner Hammond, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes, Commissioner Hammond abstaining; the Commission approved the Renewal State Gambling License for George Sarantos, valid through September 30, 2019.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

14. Consideration of Initial Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12104):

- A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Michael Locarnini Mai Chor Vue  
Donald White, Jr.
- B. The Deuce Lounge and Casino: Carol Perez
- C. The Nineteenth Hole: Joseph Fagundes
- D. Outlaws Card Parlour: Judith Anne Judge

15. Consideration of Renewal Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12104):

Napa Valley Casino: Brittney Speed

16. Consideration of Conversion of Third-Party Providers of Proposition Player Services Registrations to License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12218):

A. Acme Player Services, LLC:

Players: Chris Bui Hung-Yen Chiang Larry Samarzich  
Sallaya Sapinoso

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: Philip Adkins Rudy Aldana Marisol Aragon  
Karina Arias DanielleMae Bautista Brenda Bin  
Leonard Block Julian Caballes Charles Caterino  
Rutilo Cruz Jr. Kim Demirjian Stella Djalleta  
Linda Em Jorge Fabian Jamisha Fletcher  
Whitney Garcia Thavy Gnim Mayra Guevara Altamirano  
Angela Handa Mai Her Maria Magarro  
Brandon Malloy Kevin Martinez Hernandez  
Tania Mastro Henry Mejia Elias Moreno  
Blake Noble Sokum Ouk Carina Pena  
Diana Ramirez Cory Robinson Candy Sandoval

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|                                  | Jenifer Sosa Ramirez       |                  | Tanakorn Tavorniti     |
|                                  | Kerris Watkins             | Luis Zambrano    | Rodrigo Zaragoza       |
| C. Certified Players, Inc.:      |                            |                  |                        |
| Player:                          | Xiomara Recinos De La Cruz |                  |                        |
| D. Infinity Gaming, LLC:         |                            |                  |                        |
| Player:                          | Monica Martinez            |                  |                        |
| E. Knighted Ventures, LLC:       |                            |                  |                        |
| Players:                         | Lila Keosavang             | Cameron McDaniel | Janett Miramontes      |
|                                  | Trever Phillips            | William Rodas    | Maegan Tran            |
|                                  | Jerry Xayarath             | Jack Yang        |                        |
| F. Metis TPS, LLC:               |                            |                  |                        |
| Players:                         | Yasi Chen                  | Fabian Franco    | Shibao Lan             |
|                                  | Jun Lian                   | Nathan Mam       | Sihan Xia              |
|                                  | Mei Zhou                   |                  |                        |
| G. Pacific United Service, Inc.: |                            |                  |                        |
| Player:                          | Mike Yang                  |                  |                        |
| H. PT Gaming, LLC:               |                            |                  |                        |
| Players:                         | Giovanni Garcia            | Filipina Knowles | Ujwal Pant             |
|                                  | Jonathan Raiman            | Anais Reyes      | Kissinger Tan          |
|                                  | Amber Valenfaunia          |                  | Genevieve-Zoe Williams |

17. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

- A. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:
  - Raymundo Santoyo
- B. Pala Casino Spa Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:
  - Lawrence Reyes
- C. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
  - Soda Heaps

18. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
  - Ricarte Agbayani
  - Fernando Martinez
  - Cathie Wright
  - Mayra Carmona
  - Jennifer Russell
  - Kristi Geske
  - Janis Sawyer
- B. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:
  - Richard Aramburo
  - Claudia Flores
  - Zoila Hernandez
  - Juan Morales
  - Tiffany Soto
  - Kevin Austin
  - David Glass
  - Bradley Hoffma
  - Jessica Ruiz
  - Somphong Souksavath
  - Trevor Bailey
  - Charles Hartsfield Jr.
  - Salvador Lira
  - Najeeb Shorees
  - Zachary Wessel Sr.
- C. Bear River Casino Hotel - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:

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- Kyle Hudson
- D. Black Oak Casino - Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:  
Susan Cummins Kristopher Forrester Zadok Low  
Ruth Main Scott Puls II Ryan Wynne
- E. Blue Lake Casino and Hotel - Blue Lake Rancheria:  
Jami Hatton Bradley Johnson
- F. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:  
Miguel Barreto-Franco Joey Bertzyk Doug Kelly  
Jeffery Little Cheryl Richeal
- G. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:  
Bryan Finnie Teresa Pena
- H. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
Elaine Avila Janice Gold Sarah Mann  
John Scurich
- I. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:  
Andres Arredondo Evencio Cortes Lori Cuevas  
Christopher Gonzales Felicia Hoang Malayvone Maokosy  
Robert Sherwood Bee Vang Nyia Vang  
Mark Walton Sherry Wu David Wu
- J. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:  
Christopher Atkinson Adonis Felix Sean Foy  
Brandy Gaver Augustin Herrera Daniel Pino  
Stefanie Robles Sean Smith Dennis Theiler
- K. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:  
Susan Williams
- L. Elk Valley Casino - Elk Valley Rancheria:  
Nathaniel Pincombe
- M. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:  
Susan Vallie Elsie Viray
- N. Feather Falls Casino & Lodge - Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians:  
Thomas Bruno Lenda Varela
- O. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
Paul Eder Manuel Gonzalez Sandoval Mark James  
Kyle Rice Miyoung Shin
- P. Harrah's Resort Southern California - Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Rincon Reservation:  
Viet Dam Lisa Greene Joseph King  
Justin Laughner Hoang Nguyen Ertell San Luis
- Q. Jackson Rancheria Casino & Hotel - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
John Ballesteros Daniel Carson Ashley Lagrimas  
Javier Ramos
- R. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:  
Lynn Mueck

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- S. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
 Amin Ashraf                      Andy Ho                      Nicholas Merritt  
 Paula Murphy                      Blendi Shehu
- T. Paiute Palace Casino - Bishop Paiute Tribe:  
 Michelle Castendra              Gail Manriquez
- U. Pala Casino Spa Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:  
 Guillermo Burgess              Juan Esparza              Adam Johns  
 Allan Cesar Payawal              Jennifer Silva              Erich Strafelas  
 Emerito Grime Tomaneng              Lihua Wang
- V. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
 Juan Alfaro                      Jeffrey Benson              Carlos Fajardo  
 Leshia Frazier                      Mark Hevesy              Michael Hines  
 Deborah Jones                      Myung Joo                      Shaun Miller  
 Ruben Negrete                      John Warkentien              Suzanne Zimmer
- W. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:  
 Tai Duong                      Denise Jones                      Stephen Taylor
- X. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:  
 Leticia Rocha Campos              William Rogers
- Y. San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:  
 Francisco Aguirre A.              Lisa Craddock              Christopher Fowler  
 Kristi Galindo                      James Jackson              Joseph Julian  
 Tara Magee                      Christy Ngo                      Linda Richardson  
 Juana Tinoco-Gonzalez              Mickey VandenBerg  
 Roxanna Villegas
- Z. Soboba Casino - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:  
 Midene Groom                      Randolph Sarmiento              Scott Sirois  
 Amanda Weaver
- AA. Spa Resort Casino - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
 Leslie Bingham                      Jennifer Birmingham              Stephanie Bross  
 William Caronna                      Kyle Haas                      Fely Ignacio  
 Kimberle Mason                      Pitchesinee Sandau              Lorena Soto  
 Lorena Tapia
- BB. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
 Guadalupe Ayon                      Jay Foreman IV              David Hemingway  
 Vanessa Hernandez                      Ventura Lopez              Guillermo Luna  
 Sharon Marshall                      Charles Martin              Protacio Medina  
 Emanuel Montes                      Matthew Singleton
- CC. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:  
 Robert Bulster                      Monte Carson                      Roger Hagoriles  
 Nicole Martin                      Lucy Murillo                      Trung Phan  
 Paul Revak                      Jose Reveles                      Kianoosh Tehrani  
 Terri Wild
- DD. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
 Jessie Jim Refuerzo                      Manuel Rivera                      Jennifer Sanchez  
 Vorn Sok                      Eutimio Torres                      Bettie Yang

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EE. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:

David Cain	Phonexay Khamvongsa	Heather Lauver
Barbara Martin	Annette Miller	Jack Nguyen
Puth Or	Veronica Reynoso	Chio Saechao
Frelen Soliman	Ann Marie Solorio	Robert Stanley
Jorge Verduzco	Frederick Zapanta	

FF. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:

Jeffrey Allen	Jennifer Black-Shatara	Michael Breuer
Tony Dang	Herman Jot Dodd	Benjamin Erwin
Erik Fechner	Martin Gonzalez	Kevin Hoang
Katie Hoang	Hue Le	Putheary Loek
Guilian Luo	Joseph Mika	

GG. Tortoise Rock Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:

Carmelita Bazan	Desmond Brown	Karalee Hargrove
Creadell Hudson	Frances Vasquez	

HH. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:

Daniel Hamou	Jamie Haugan	Ricardo Hurtado
Sydney Johnson	Robin Looper	Gina Sims

II. Win-River Casino - Redding Rancheria:

Kevin Cawker	Heather Couch	Charles Hawes Jr.
Travis Peyton		

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved Consent Calendar items 14 through 18.

**CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:**

Prior to holding Closed Session, Chief Counsel Vlaanderen disclosed that the Commissioners would meet in Closed Session on item II.D. Consideration of Proposed Stipulated Settlement in the Matter of the Accusations against: Louis Sarantos, Jr., Sole Proprietor, dba Clovis 500 Club, BGC Case Nos. HQ2015-0003AC and HQ2017-00001AC (Pursuant to Title 4, California Code of Regulations section 12552)

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

None.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

11:20 AM

I. Litigation (Government Code section 11126(e)):

- A. *Robert Saucier, et al. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2013-80001594)
- B. *Stand Up For California, et al. v. State of California, et al.*, Madera County Superior Court (MCV062850)
- C. *Eric G. Swallow v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-800002402)

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- D. *Garden City, Inc. v. Eric Swallow*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-00198132)
- E. *Larry C. Flynt, et al., v. Xavier Becerra, Jim Evans, et al.*, United States District Court, Eastern District of California (16 CV 02831 JAM EFB)
- F. *Lucky Chances, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002549)
- G. *Rene Medina v. Xavier Becerra, Jim Evans, et al.*; United States District Court, Northern District of California (17-cv-03293 KAW)

II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3):

- A. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Key Employee License for Rhea Alana Motley, (GCADS-GEKE-002182)
- B. In the Matter of the Application for Renewal of Third Party Proposition Players Services License for Dog Named Blue, Inc. dba California Gaming Consultants, (CGCC-2013-06277B)
- C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Key Employee License for Rommel Sison Naraval, (CGCC-2017-0223-7C)
- D. Consideration of Proposed Stipulated Settlement in the Matter of the Accusations against: Louis Sarantos, Jr., Sole Proprietor, dba Clovis 500 Club, BGC Case Nos. HQ2015-0003AC and HQ2017-00001AC (Pursuant to Title 4, California Code of Regulations section 12552)
- E. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability for Angela Ruiz, (CGCC-2016-1006-15A)

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:**

12:35 PM

Chairman Evans announced that the Commissioners voted to reject the settlement on Closed Session item II.D. Consideration of Proposed Stipulated Settlement in the Matter of the Accusations against: Louis Sarantos, Jr., Sole Proprietor, dba Clovis 500 Club, BGC Case Nos. HQ2015-0003AC and HQ2017-00001AC (Pursuant to Title 4, California Code of Regulations section 12552).

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Torngren if he wanted the reasoning during the meeting or in writing. Mr. Torngren responded that he would prefer the reasoning in writing.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Evans adjourned the Commission Meeting at 12:26 PM.