

**California Gambling Control Commission**

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**MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2018  
COMMISSION MEETING**

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**OPEN SESSION**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken with Chairman Jim Evans, Commissioner Paula LaBrie, and Commissioner Trang To present.

3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:
  - A. November 16, 2017 Commission Meeting
  - B. December 6, 2017-GCA Hearing
  - C. December 13, 2017-GCA Hearing

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Commission Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2017, and the GCA Hearing Minutes for December 6, 2017 and December 13, 2017.

4. Consideration of A) Rescission of APA Evidentiary Hearing Referral; and B) State Gambling License Renewal Application; (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19824 (b), 19850, 19851, and 19852; CCR, Title 4, sections 12017(c), 12035(b)(4), 12054, and 12342):

A. Club One Casino:

Club One Casino, Inc.

Kyle Kirkland, President, Chief Financial  
Officer, Treasurer, Secretary, Director,  
Shareholder

Dana Messina, Shareholder

B. Club One Casino:

Club One Casino, Inc.

Kyle Kirkland, President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary, Director, Shareholder

Dana Messina, Shareholder

Upon consent of the Commission, items 4A and 4B were called concurrently.

Comments Received From:

Krystal Bowen, Attorney/Designated Agent for Club One Casino, Inc., in person

Kyle Kirkland, President of Club One Casino, Inc., in person

John Maloney, Attorney/Designated Agent for Club One Casino, Inc., in person

Bill Williams, Deputy Attorney General, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Todd Vlaanderen, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission, in person

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Public Comment:

Joe Davis, in person

Mr. Kirkland discussed his thoughts and concerns regarding the proposed conditions. Mr. Kirkland noted that he was also prepared to accept the conditions as proposed.

Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Kirkland if conversations had taken place with the Bureau staff with regard to the proposed conditions. Mr. Kirkland responded that Club One Casino had voiced their concerns regarding the proposed conditions through multiple phone calls and written correspondence with the Bureau.

Mr. Maloney voiced his concerns regarding the necessity for recommended conditions three and four.

Chairman Evans agreed with Mr. Maloney with regard to recommended conditions three and four and stated he would be willing to remove those conditions. Commissioner To and Commissioner LaBrie agreed with Chairman Evans.

Deputy Attorney General Bill Williams responded that proposed condition three is appropriate, and consistent with the conduct discussed in the New York decision, and further believes that the language is well defined.

Commissioner To made a motion and Commissioner LaBrie seconded the motion to rescind the referral of Club One Casino, Inc., Kyle Kirkland, and Dana Messina's 2015 Renewal Applications from the evidentiary hearing process, currently referred as an APA hearing.

Mr. Davis raised several concerns with regard to Kyle Kirkland and his companies, and urged the Commission to maintain the referral of this matter to an APA Hearing.

Mr. Davis offered that he had additional information that the Commission should consider. He further mentioned that he had only very recently learned of this item for consideration.

Mr. Kirkland responded and advocated for the rescission of the matter to an APA Hearing.

Commissioner To and Commissioner LaBrie withdrew their motion and second in order to allow time to receive and review additional information.

Original submittals were set to be received by January 30, 2018, and responses to the original materials were set to be received by February 6, 2018.

Items 4A and 4B were tabled to the February 22, 2018 Commission Meeting.

5. Consideration of A) Application(s) for State Gambling License; and, B) Asset Sales Agreement (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19824, 19850, 19852, 19892, and 19900; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12342):

A. The Elks Tower Casino and Lounge: Kris Kat, LLC  
Steven Ayers, Managing Member

Comments Received From:

Steve Ayers, Managing Member, in person  
John Maloney, Attorney, in person  
Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person  
Todd Vlaanderen, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission, in person

Public Comment:

Tracey Buck-Walsh, Attorney, Representative for Clark Rosa, in person  
Stan Seiff, Key Employee Licensee, Employee of Steve Ayers, in person  
Elizabeth Beigh, in person  
David Mastagni, Attorney, Representative for William Blanas, in person  
Scott Flanigian, Executive Director, Compassion Planet, in person  
Dale Campbell, Attorney, Representative for Clark Rosa, in person  
Darryl Lucien, in person  
Scott DuPriest, in person  
Ken Bacon, Attorney, Representative for William Blanas, in person  
Mitchell Goldstein, Owner, California Gold Gaming, via telephone

Commissioner To noted his reservations based on the additional new material that was provided to the Commission for review.

Commissioner LaBrie expressed her agreement and concern in consideration with the new information that was recently received.

Mr. Ayers began to provide information regarding his personal history and past conviction. Chairman Evans cautioned Mr. Ayers to refrain from providing further information as it may be used as evidence in an evidentiary hearing.

Mr. Maloney advocated for Mr. Ayers regarding his positive business practices, stated he understands the need for an evidentiary hearing based on Mr. Ayer's personal life, and urged the Commission to issue a Temporary State Gambling License at this time.

Members of the public, and representatives for members of the public provided public comment during the public comment period regarding their views concerning the city code, suitability of the applicant to be granted a license, and the propriety of the transaction.

Commissioner To disclosed that during his 27 years with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department, he belonged to the Deputy Sheriffs' Association Union which has been represented by David Mastagni, but has never met or spoken with Mr. Mastagni. There was no relationship that would impair his impartial decision making.

With the additional information received, the Commissioners expressed they could not approve a Temporary State Gambling License, and referred the matter to a GCA evidentiary hearing.

Action:

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

B. Casino Royale: Sacramento Casino Royale, LLC  
Sacramento Casino Royale, LLC, Seller  
Kris Kat, LLC, Buyer

No action was taken on this matter as the application was referred to evidentiary hearing.

**RECESS:**

Lunch Break: 11:50

Reconvene: 1:10

6. Consideration of Approval of New Interim Renewal State Gambling License (Pursuant to CCR, Title 4, section 12035(b)(2)):

Mortimer's Card Room: Mortimer's, Inc.  
Mark Williamson, President, Chief Executive Officer, Director, Shareholder  
Pamela Neu, Vice President, Shareholder

Willis Hanna, Chief Financial Officer,  
Secretary, Treasurer, Director, Shareholder  
Marylee Sakas, Shareholder

Comments Received From:

Albert Nicora, Designated Agent, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Public Comment:

Frank Calamia, owner of Marina Club, in person

Mr. Nicora discussed his concerns with the wording of recommended condition three. Chairman Evans discussed a change to the condition which Mr. Nicora was amenable to. Assistant Director Morrow noted that the Bureau is not requiring the parties enter into a particular agreement, but would need a copy of any amendments that are proposed.

Assistant Director Morrow noted that the EDD liens are now released and therefore proposed condition #2 is no longer necessary.

Members of the public provided public comment regarding their views concerning Mortimer's Card Room and local city codes.

Chairman Evans noted for the record that this item would not cancel the evidentiary hearing regarding Mortimer's licenses.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the issuance of an additional Interim Renewal License to Mortimer's Card Room, Mark Williamson, Pamela Neu, Marylee Sakas, and Willis Hanna through January 31, 2020, maintaining an APA hearing referral and continuing with proposed condition one and three with amendments noted below:

- 1. Beginning February 1, 2018, and continuing thereafter, the designated agent of Mortimer's, Inc. shall provide the Bureau with a written report on the progress of the settlement of the Estate of Edward L. Williamson every 90-days, and notwithstanding the above, the designated agent shall provide the Bureau, with a copy to the Commission, with a written Notice of all Probate Court actions or orders relating to the Estate within 10 days of the receipt of the notice of such action or order.*

2. *The Designated Agent for Mortimer's, Inc. must provide the Bureau and the Commission with any updated Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Assets between Tammy Massa and Mortimer's Card Room.*

7. Consideration to Withdraw Application(s) for State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869; CCR, Title 4, sections 12015 and 12054):

Palomar Card Club:

Lorena Von Kaenel

This item was tabled to the February 8, 2018 Commission Meeting.

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

A. John Pearson

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial License through April 30, 2018.

B. Melissa Pearson

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial License through April 30, 2018.

C. Sai Saechao

Comments Received From:

Sai Saechao, in person

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Chairman Evans inquired with the Bureau if Mr. Saechao has submitted the requested supporting documentation for various financial transactions.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that although some documents have been received, there are requested documents that are still outstanding and the Bureau is unable to confirm where all of his funds were received from.

Mr. Saechao stated that he has been cooperative and responsive to all of the Bureau's inquiries and questioned the Bureau's recommendation for denial.

Assistant Director Morrow again confirmed that the documentation received from Mr. Saechao was not sufficient to substantiate where the funds were received from. Assistant Director Morrow discussed the opportunities Mr. Saechao was afforded throughout the investigation process to substantiate where the funds were received from, but did not provide. Ms. Morrow expressed that even if additional time was provided, it did not appear that Mr. Saechao would be able to provide the documentation requested.

Action:

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

D. Simeon Shigg

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial License through April 30, 2018.

E. William Tang

Action:

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

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

A. Bai Guo

Comments Received From:

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Commissioner LaBrie inquired with the Bureau if they have received updates from the applicant pursuant to Ms. Guo's current condition, and if the Bureau had any concerns.

Assistant Director Morrow responded that the Bureau has received a report from Ms. Guo, and did not see anything of concern. Assistant Director Morrow expressed that the current condition placed on Bai Guo's license was confusing regarding the timeframe, and offered suggestions for amendment.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal License through January 31, 2020, with the amended condition noted below:

*Beginning on June 1, 2018, and continuing every six months thereafter, Bai Guo must provide to the Bureau of Gambling Control an accounting of the deposits for the six months immediately preceding her reporting requirement date. Said updates shall include who the deposits were received from, the amount, and the nature of the deposit.*

B. Kimyan Run

Comments Received From:

Kimyan Run, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Run if he was going to be fully compliant with the condition placed on his license and that he understood the condition. Mr. Run confirmed his understanding of the condition and his future compliance.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Chairman Evans, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal License through July 31, 2018, continuing with the existing condition noted below:

*Beginning September 1, 2017 and every 180 days thereafter, Mr. Run must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of ongoing efforts to resolve or establish a payment plan to satisfy his outstanding collection accounts.*

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

A. Casino Merced: Lee Lo

Comments Received From:

Lee Lo, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Ms. Lo discussed the circumstances of her non-disclosure regarding her past DUI conviction. Ms. Lo discussed that she has not had any issues since, and the progress she has made in her personal and professional life since that time.



Ms. Lo affirmed the conditions placed on her work permit. Ms Lo was reminded of the necessity for full disclosure, and confirmed in the future she would have someone assist her in completing her application to ensure it is accurate.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Work Permit through May 31, 2019 with the condition noted below:

*Beginning February 1, 2018 and every 90 days thereafter, Ms. Lee Vang Lo must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy her outstanding payment plan until resolved.*

B. Poker Flats Casino: Sai Saechao

Action:

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

11. 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 12017, 12054, and 12218 ):

A. Acme Player Services, LLC:

Players:

i) Bryan Leon Garcia

Comments Received From:

Bryan Leon Garcia, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Chairman Evans asked the Bureau if they have received any information from Blackstone Gaming. Assistant Director Morrow responded that no new information has been received.

Action:

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

ii) Sam Mey

Comments Received From:

Sam Mey, via telephone

Commissioner LaBrie noted the age of the conviction and the explanation provided by the applicant as very plausible. Mr. Mey responded to Commissioner To regarding the circumstances of his conviction.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through January 31, 2020.

iii) Dwight York

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through January 31, 2020.

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Player: Raymond Smith, Jr.

Comments Received From:

Raymond Smith, Jr., via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Smith why he was unresponsive to the Bureau's requests.

Mr. Smith responded that he gave his supervisor his paperwork on two occasions. The first time his immediate supervisor lost it, and the second, he believed those to be received by the Bureau as he stopped receiving letters in the mail, as such he believed the matter was resolved.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that the Bureau did not receive a response from Mr. Smith. Further, the Bureau then scheduled a pre-denial with Mr. Smith, and he did not answer the phone call from the Bureau. Assistant Director Morrow also noted that Mr. Smith now has an outstanding Failure to Appear.

Mr. Smith commented that on the Failure to Appear, that was a matter of mistaken identity. An individual named Russell Mitchell used his name. Mr. Smith further noted that he presently has a court date scheduled to resolve that matter.

Action:

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

C. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Player: Derek Gaxiola

Comments Received From:

Derek Gaxiola, via telephone

Action:

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

D. Pacific United Service, Inc.:

Player: Liqin Qian

Comments Received From:

Karrie On, Designated Agent, via telephone

Action:

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

E. PT Gaming, LLC:

Player: Craig Griffith

Action:

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

F. Rhino Gaming, Inc.:

Player: Hong Heng

Action:

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

Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission referred the Conversion License Application to a GCA evidentiary hearing.

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

L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Player: David Zalk

Action:

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

13. Consideration of Tribal-State Compact Renewal Finding of Suitability as a Gaming Resource Supplier (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.5):

A. Genesis Gaming Solutions, Inc.: Randall Knust, President, Shareholder  
John Knust, Jr., Treasurer, Shareholder  
Richard Garza, Secretary, Shareholder  
Alton Schoppe, Director, Shareholder

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved a 120-day extension for the Finding of Suitability through May 31, 2018, to allow the Bureau sufficient amount of time to provide a report and Commission Staff adequate time to prepare the matter for the agenda.

B. Masque Publishing, Inc.: James Wisler, President, Treasurer, Director, Shareholder  
Donna Adam, Vice President, Director, Shareholder  
David Zinger, Secretary, Director, Shareholder

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Finding of Suitability through January 31, 2020.

14. Consideration of Additional Permanent Authorized Tables (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19841(p); CCR, Title 4, section 12359):

Poker Flats Casino: Terry Vargas, Sole Proprietor

Comments Received From:

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, In person  
Tawni Vargas, Designated Agent, In person

Chairman Evans discussed that a very similar matter in the same jurisdiction had recently come on agenda. Commissioner Evans provided a brief history of table limits and ordinances in this jurisdiction, and as they relate to applicable California statutes regarding table increases. Chairman Evans asked the Bureau if the city of Merced is presently working on a different ordinance.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that was her understanding and stated that the Bureau has not yet received anything additional at this time.

Ms. Vargas was asked and confirmed she did not have any comments on the matter.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission denied the request for two additional permanent tables.

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

A. Eagle Mountain Casino-Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:  
Cynthia Easley

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 1, 2018.

B. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino-Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:  
Anissa McNutt

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 30, 2018.

C. Hollywood Casino Jamul-San Diego-Jamul Indian Village:  
James Nugent

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through June 1, 2018.

D. Lucky 7 Casino-Tolowa Dee-Ni' Nation:  
Christine Cunningham

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through May 25, 2019.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

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

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| A. Lorielyn Alcantara | E. Shaun Lewis         |
| B. Jason Brisby       | F. Jai Saechao         |
| C. William Hughes     | G. Brett Spadoni       |
| D. Michael Lazer      | H. Andrea Vivas Botero |

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

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| A. Empire Sportsmen's Association : | Southida Banos    |               |
| B. Lake Bowl Cardroom:              | Sherri Ann Spargo |               |
| C. Outlaws Card Parlour:            | Amy Baxter        |               |
| D. Parkwest Casino Sonoma:          | Tyler Hattar      | Brandon Payne |

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

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| A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: | Tom Diep    | Nancy Lee        |
| B. Napa Valley Casino:             | Pei Yu Zhao |                  |
| C. Parkwest Casino Sonoma:         | Beau Mori   | Felicia Stafford |

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19. 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: Marlene Chneang Harrison Iakopo Vanouen Siv
- B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:  
Players: Abram Ake James Lopez April Meas  
Mariela Serna-Larios
- C. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:  
Player: Lynlee Oregana
- D. Gold Gaming Consultants, Inc.:  
Players: Jose Avila Samantha Legrande  
Jonathan Vang Virginia Vang Thelma Vinlove
- E. Knighted Ventures, LLC:  
Players: Braulio Alcantara-Palacios Souny Khataavong  
Omar Lopez Jacqueline Mendoza  
Autumn Newberry Nikita Orlov Ronald Zambrano
- F. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:  
Player: Shanika Hopson
- G. Metis TPS, LLC:  
Players: Siyang Gao Roy Rosario Fang Zhao
- H. Pacific United Service, Inc.:  
Players: Hector Ruvalcaba Tiffany Vu
- I. PT Gaming, LLC:  
Players: Melissa Carrillo Icedo Steven Clark Joe Infield  
Kevina Manlove Khoa Nguyen Forrest Phanton  
Wilder Pineda Sige Rodriguez

20. Consideration of Renewal of Third-Party Providers of Proposition Player Services License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12218.8):

- A. Arise, LLC:  
Supervisor: Thida Chhun  
Player: Malis Mam
- B. Certified Players, Inc.:  
Player: Ernesto Lorenzo
- C. Gaming Fund Group, Inc.:  
Player: Cheuk Lee
- D. PT Gaming, LLC:  
Supervisors: Warren Flores Mike Her Juan Hidalgo  
Maria Razon Sophea Sim  
Players: Otto Castellanos Xue Herr Ashley Lucas  
Rowena Morada-Aquino Katrina Munoz  
Nguyet Nguyen Matthew Ramirez Anthony Sam  
Molly Talbot Kelly Truong
- E. Qualified Player Services, LLC:  
Supervisor : Michael Hill

21. Consideration of Initial 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:  
Kenneth Gomez Jr.
- B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Laurie Taylor
- C. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:  
Joshua Copeland
- D. Coyote Valley Casino - Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians:  
Raquel Hernandez
- E. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:  
Denise Tintzman
- F. Hollywood Casino Jamul - San Diego - Jamul Indian Village:  
Meri Stojmanovska
- G. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
Alexandria Bridgeford      Erin Davis      Donald Hinkle
- H. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:  
April Curtis      Raymundo Goodsir
- I. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
Ameer Baraichi      Danielle Faust
- J. Quechan Casino Resort - Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation:  
James Evensen
- K. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:  
Misty Horecka
- L. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:  
Lorna Zavorotny
- M. Spa Resort Casino - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Chantal Ignacio      Andres Lopez
- N. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
Karina Cervantes Acevedo
- O. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:  
James Pace
- P. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
Tatsanaporn Bufford
- Q. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:  
Tina McAtee      Gary Watts

22. 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:  
Kim Bond      James Bott      Donald Didion Jr.  
TC Golden      Maureen Harrison      Monica Matos  
Sandra Rodriguez      Jerry Sandau      Maria Cristina Santos



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- Kari Stout-Smith     Gilberto Taira-Diaz
- B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Eleida Bolanos     Elsa Castaneda     Bertha Lopez  
Ivan Rivera Rodriguez     Christopher Seiple     Charles Torman
- C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:  
Debora Cadena     Sharon Call     Jeffrey Carbonell  
Winona Creed     Christina Diaz Madrigal     Daniel Droddy  
Nicholas Fleming     Lance Gurrola     Raymond Juergens  
Andrew Kreischer     David La Chappa Jr.     Matthew McFarlane  
Tara Meyers     Michael Murphy     Octavio Nicasio  
David Pearce     Yohmary Rios     Francisco Sarabia  
Justin Ta     Kevin Ward     Aaron Watt
- D. Bear River Casino Hotel - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:  
Michael Pires     Mellynda Seder     Sean Taylor
- E. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:  
Donna Beebe     Juan Gutierrez     Lynda Hong  
Phanat Keo     Matthew Klinkovsky     Kyra Lenert  
Kimberly Ruf     Lai San     Tikaram Subedy  
Jake Thungh     Jay Vang
- F. Cahuilla Casino - Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians:  
Daniel Salgado
- G. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:  
Rosita Mendoza
- H. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
Sarah Andrews     Charlene Bayers     Janice Kahl  
Krissie Ross     Shelley Schaal     Joseph Schlichting  
Jennifer Taylor     Monica Tufts
- I. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:  
Diana Au     Agustin Gomez     Bee Vang  
Kou Vang
- J. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:  
Bradley Bendixen     Chuck Reyes     Cynthia St. Clair  
Consuelo Ubaldo
- K. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:  
Maria Lowe     Doyle Smotherman Jr.     Lonnie Webb Jr.
- L. Coyote Valley Casino - Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians:  
Jaime Gutierrez
- M. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:  
Janayea Way
- N. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:  
Rungthip Nungkhianjan     Francisco Olmeda     Alejandro Puga  
Lucero Rios     Richard Rogers     Maria Sandoval  
Michael Stemmeler     Regina Trujillo     Raul Varela

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- Christopher Windham Theresa Winters Kimber Young
- O. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
Joel Koh
- P. Harrah's Resort Southern California - Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Rincon Reservation:  
Patrick Brownlow Lisa Dualan Kenneth Hansen II  
Darrell Pilant Louis Vasquez III Harry Welker
- Q. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
Kristen Mendes William Thornton
- R. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:  
Jose Barba-Contreras
- S. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
Vanessa Barcenas Roberta Briery Driscoll Rhonda Gillyard  
Walter Luke Milica Miljkovic Joseph Stoner
- T. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:  
Candace Loanzon
- U. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
Elma Afa'ese Silvestre Corral Flores Nam Dien  
Kimberly Escobar Katherine Kiyabu Waseem Malik  
Hazel Martinez Joshua Mentzer Daniel Rafferty  
Tiffany Swedberg Joy Trimble James Williams  
Philip Zamora
- V. Quechan Casino Resort - Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation:  
Justina Bouts Anesia Noriega Miriam Salas Fillinger  
Jeronimo Torres
- W. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:  
Danny Gonsalves Jamon Heard Emily Saynorath
- X. Running Creek Casino - Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake:  
Il Koo Lee
- Y. Spa Resort Casino - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Brenda Eskelin Sara Rosas Joseph Ruiz  
Janet Sorrentino Melissa Williams
- Z. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
Angelica Valenzuela
- AA. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:  
Imelda Achenbach Christian Noeh Agapay Antonio Angulo  
Samuel Bonner David Centman Ronald Grimsley  
Cynthia Ha Monique Powless Victor Santos Rayas  
Gregory Smith Cynthia Snow  
Stacey Wheeler
- AA. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
Marc Bilodeau Leo Castillo Brandon Cates  
Arnold Dagatan Bauj Fang Patrick Guyett  
Julie Lopez Isreal Martinez Noemi Mazquiaran  
Carrie Melton Antoan Tripp

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

Kimberly Bradshaw Cindy Cisneros Sean Dunne  
Alicia Edwards Justin Law Delita Munoz

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

Robelle Labrador-Stieber Kevin Schwerdt

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

Kristina Lord Shaun Sims

EE. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:

Paul Murphy Sean Stoddard

GG. Win-River Casino - Redding Rancheria:

Joseph Bertucci Johnathan Powers

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved Consent Calendar items 16 through 22.

**CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:**

Prior to holding Closed Session, Chief Counsel Vlaanderen disclosed that the Commissioners would meet in Closed Session on item II. A. Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Daniel Mathew Thomas, (CGCC-2017-0608-7B) and II. B. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Joshua Daniel Betancur, (CGCC-2017-0622-11F)

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

None.

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)
- D. *Garden City, Inc. v. Eric Swallow*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-00198132)
- E. *Lucky Chances, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002549)
- F. *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 Work Permit for Daniel Mathew Thomas, (CGCC-2017-0608-7B)
- B. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Joshua Daniel Betancur, (CGCC-2017-0622-11F)

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C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability for Tony Grant Corkhill, (CGCC-2017-0828-14D1)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Evans adjourned the Commission Meeting at 2:15 PM.