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**MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
COMMISSION MEETING**

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, Commissioner Gareth Lacy, and Commissioner Trang To present.

3. Consideration of Renewal of State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19852, and 19876; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12345):

A. Artichoke Joe's Casino: Artichoke Joe's (A California Corporation)

Comments Received From:

Alan Titus, Attorney and Designated Agent, in person
Bill Torngren, Deputy Attorney General, IGLS, in person
Bill Zender, General Manager, Artichoke Joe's, via telephone
Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Commissioner LaBrie asked Mr. Titus if Artichoke Joe's Casino accepts the conditions to be placed on the State Gambling License.

Mr. Titus confirmed that his client accepts all conditions.

Chairman Evans noted concerns for issues not presently included in the Accusation. Further, Chairman Evans asked Deputy Attorney General Torngren about the process of the Accusation with regard to the reasons currently specified as the causes for revocation.

Deputy Attorney General Torngren responded that, assuming the matter is referred to an evidentiary hearing, the Indian and Gaming Law Section (IGLS) will file a Statement of Issues and amend the Accusation.

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Chairman Evans stated that, aside from the failure to report, the underlying wrongdoing noted in the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) report is concerning behavior worthy of referral to evidentiary hearing.

Deputy Attorney General Torngren responded that IGLS and Artichoke Joe's Casino have worked very closely together towards a resolution with FinCEN, and to allow for the consolidation of the cases.

Chairman Evans noted that a new General Manager was hired and asked Mr. Titus if the former General Manager contributed to the issues in question.

Mr. Titus responded that the former General Manager had been with Artichokes Joe's Casino since 1975 and had been planning to retire for a number of years. Further, Mr. Titus stated Mr. Zender has been hired as General Manager.

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Titus if he is, and the Commission can be, confident things are on right track for Artichoke Joe's Casino as the case is adjudicated.

Mr. Titus expressed that although there is a lot of work that needs to be done, there is a lot of work that has been done and everything is on the right track.

Commissioner LaBrie stated that Mr. Zender will continue his services until the end of this year and asked Mr. Titus of the plans for Mr. Zender moving forward.

Mr. Zender responded that he was hired on a temporary basis; however, he has made a commitment to remain as General Manager until all compliance issues are resolved with the State of California, including the FinCEN requirements.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved to refer the matter to an APA evidentiary hearing to be consolidated with the filed accusation and issue an Interim Renewal License through June 30, 2020, with the conditions noted below.

1. *Artichoke Joe's must provide an update to the Bureau of Gambling Control beginning December 1, 2018, and every 90 days thereafter, regarding the implementation or steps it is taking towards implementing the recommendations or equivalent to DAG Independent Testing Reports.*
2. *Beginning May 1, 2021, and every two years thereafter, Artichoke Joe's at their own expense must contract and engage in an Independent Testing for compliance with Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) and implementing regulations until the final adjudication of the administrative action is completed.*

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3. *Artichoke Joe's must require it's Independent Testing Report contractor to submit all written Independent Testing Reports and the Look Back Report to the Bureau of Gambling Control until the final adjudication of the administrative action is completed.*

B. Parkwest Casino Lotus: The Silver F, Inc.
 John Park, President, Secretary, Treasurer,
 Director, Shareholder

Comments Received From:

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

Commissioner Lacy asked the Bureau if Michael Vasey and Fortiss, LLC have applied for a State Gambling License.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that the Bureau has applications on file for Michael Vasey and Fortiss, LLC.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal State Gambling License through September 30, 2020, with the condition noted below:

Michael Vasey and Fortiss, LLC, must apply for, and upon approval maintain, a State Gambling License.

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

Parkwest Casino Sonoma: Stephen Evans

Comments Received From:

Stephen Evans, via telephone

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

Chairman Evans noted that Mr. Evans has had issues with gambling in the past and asked if he had complied with conditions formerly placed on his Third-Party Supervisor License.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that Mr. Evans did comply with the conditions on his License until they were removed.

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Evans what the status is of his online gambling. Mr. Evans responded he has not gambled online for the last seven years.

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Work Permit through March 31, 2020.

5. Consideration to Withdraw Application for Initial Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869; CCR, Title 4, sections 12015 and 12054):
Pinnacle Casino: James Pierce

To note, Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. The applicant did not announce himself at the meeting

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the request to withdraw the application without prejudice.

6. Consideration of Renewal of Third Party Provider of Proposition Services Licenses (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12218.8):
A. Gaming Fund Group, Inc.: David Chau, President, Secretary, Treasurer,
Director
Game Source, LLC

Comments Received From:

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

Commissioner LaBrie asked the Bureau how the divestment of Mr. Pohan impacts Gaming Fund Group, Inc., with respect to his receipt of dividends.

Assistant Director Morrow stated that Designated Agent Jade Jaeckle informed the Bureau Mr. Pohan will be receiving his final check before his license expires on September 30, 2018. Further, Assistant Director Morrow stated the Bureau has no concerns with Mr. Pohan receiving the dividends prior to his license expiring.

Chairman Evans asked Assistant Director Morrow if David Chau is licensed as an owner of Gaming Fund Group, Inc. Assistant Director Morrow confirmed Mr. Chau is licensed as the full owner of Gaming Fund Group, Inc., but has not been licensed with DC Acquisitions, Inc. Assistant Director Morrow stated that because he did not initially invest any money, Mr. Chau's previous background investigation associated with DC Acquisitions, Inc. was that of an officer.

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Third Party Renewal License through September 30, 2020, excluding Andrew Pohan, continuing with conditions 2 and 5, and removing conditions 1, 3, 4, and 6 noted below:

- ~~1. Gaming Fund Group, Inc. will not provide third-party proposition player services to, or operate as a gambling business at Pocket 3's Gaming, Inc. dba Club Caribe until Pocket 3's Gaming, Inc. has repaid in full all outstanding loans owed to Gaming Fund Group, Inc. and/or Game Source, LLC.~~
2. As required by the Gambling Control Act, Gaming Fund Group, Inc. shall not enter into any funding source or ownership agreements prior to the review and approval of the Commission and Bureau. Should Gaming Fund Group, Inc. enter into any funding source or ownership agreements prior to approval, it will be grounds for immediate revocation of Gaming Fund Group, Inc.'s Third Party Proposition Player Services contract agreements and the Bureau will take the appropriate steps for revocation of Gaming Fund Group, Inc.'s Third Party Proposition Player Services license.
- ~~3. Except for payment amount of 1, 3, and 4 of the Final Arbitration award and the Judgment awarded on June 24, 2015, Gaming Fund Group, Inc. and its owners shall not enter into agreements with TAJA Enterprises. Further, Gaming Fund Group, Inc. shall cease any and all direct or indirect business involvement with TAJA Enterprises without prior approval by the Commission.~~
- ~~4. Except for payment amount of 1, 3, and 4 of the Final Arbitration award and the Judgment awarded on June 24, 2015, Gaming Fund Group, Inc. shall not enter into any type of intellectual property license agreements with any person or entity without the prior approval of the California Gambling Control Commission.~~
5. Gaming Fund Group, Inc. and its owners shall not enter into new agreements with James Aiello, Frank Salerno, William Schipani, or Thomas Artle or any of their businesses.
- ~~6. Gaming Fund Group, Inc. shall notify the Bureau of Gambling Control when they have knowledge of TAJA Enterprises executing the final Judgment.~~

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- B. Pacific Gaming Services, LLC: The Lori B. Suson Revocable Living Trust u/t/d
12-12-05, Member
Lori Suson, Sole Beneficiary, Trustee,
Trustor, Manager

Action:

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

7. 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:
Player: Samuel Noa

Comments Received From:

Samuel Noa, via telephone

Commissioner LaBrie asked Samuel Noa if he has cleared all of the requirements for the bench warrants that were issued stemming from his vehicle code violations. Mr. Noa confirmed all requirements have been cleared and his license is current.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

- B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:
Players: i) Kory Brown, II

Comments Received From:

Kory Brown, via telephone

Commissioner To asked Mr. Brown if he still has a balance owed of \$900.00.

Mr. Brown confirmed that he still has a balance owed to GC Services and he is currently on a payment plan.

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Brown if he understood the condition to be placed on his Conversion License. Mr. Brown confirmed he understood the condition.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission

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approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020, with the condition noted below:

Beginning November 1, 2018 and every 90 days thereafter, Mr. Brown must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of ongoing efforts to resolve his fine until the fine is paid in full.

ii) Kenneth Searle

Comments Received From:

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

To note, Deputy Director Alcala-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. The applicant did not announce himself at the meeting

Commissioner LaBrie expressed concern with Mr. Searle's non-responsiveness and stated the number of failure to appear violations appear to be exhibit disregard for the law.

Chairman Evans asked the Bureau if Mr. Searle works in the industry.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that Mr. Searle no longer works in the industry and his registration has been made inactive.

Commissioner To asked the Bureau if Mr. Searle could reapply and be able to work right away, if the Commission abandoned his application.

Assistant Director Morrow confirmed yes, and stated that as a report was submitted from the Bureau, Mr. Searle can no longer withdraw his application.

Action:

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

C. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Players: i) Nexus Assoon

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

ii) Katheryn Davis

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

D. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Player: Marian Lepana

Comments Received From:

Marian Lepana, via telephone

Commissioner To discussed with Ms. Lepana that it is her responsibility to provide updated information to the Bureau. Commissioner Lacy asked Ms. Lepana to explain why she stated she was laid off in her application and not terminated.

Ms. Lepana elaborated on the circumstances of her employment disclosures.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

E. Majesty Partners, LLC:

Player: Katheryn Davis

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

F. Metis TPS, LLC:

Player: Jesse Valdez

Comments Received From:

Jesse Valdez, via telephone

Commissioner To asked about the dimensions of the lanyard Mr. Valdez was carrying.

Mr. Valdez stated the lanyard was four to five inches in length and the diameter of the ball end was close to an inch. Mr. Valdez confirmed he no longer carries or uses the lanyard.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Conversion License through September 30, 2020.

8. 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):

Blackstone Gaming, LLC: Raqueteta Brown

Comments Received From:

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

To note, Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. The applicant did not announce herself at the meeting.

Commissioner Lacy inquired with the Bureau about potentially completing a background investigation.

Assistant Director Morrow responded that all of the authorizations on file have expired and Ms. Brown is no longer working in the industry. Assistant Director Morrow noted that if completed, the background investigation report might not provide any more information from the withdrawal letter submitted. Assistant Director Morrow further stated, due to a Bureau oversight, Ms. Brown should never have been issued a registration and if she were to re-apply in the industry in the future, she would be deemed ineligible for registration.

Action:

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

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

A. Giesecke & Devrient America, Inc.

Comments Received From:

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

Commissioner LaBrie asked the Bureau if all the necessary applications have been submitted. Assistant Director Morrow confirmed that the Bureau has received the applications necessary from Giesecke & Devrient America, Inc.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Finding of Suitability through September 30, 2020.

B. SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC

Comments Received From:

Julie Montana, President of SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC, via telephone

Commissioner LaBrie asked Ms. Montana what her position is with SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC.

Ms. Montana responded that she was in gaming compliance but was promoted to President in 2018.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved a 60-day extension through November 30, 2018.

10. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact):

A. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Carlos Castaneda, Jr.

To note, Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. Chairman Evans called forth the applicant to ask if they were present. The applicant was not present in person or by telephone.

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Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through August 14, 2019, with the condition noted below:

Beginning November 1, 2018, and every 90 days thereafter, Mr. Castaneda, Jr. must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with documentation evidencing proof of efforts to resolve the Civil Judgment and Charge-Off Account.

B. Blue Lake Casino & Hotel - Blue Lake Rancheria:
Megan Myers

To note, Deputy Director Alcala-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. Chairman Evans called forth the applicant to ask if they were present. The applicant was not present in person or by telephone.

As the applicant was not present in person or via telephone to respond to the Commissioner's questions regarding the applicant's application, no action was taken and the item was tabled.

C. Graton Resort and Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
Eric Rasmussen

To note, Mr. Rasmussen was not present in person or via the telephone; however, Mr. Rasmussen did state he would not be able to attend due to a job commitment.

Action:

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

D. Harrah's Resort Southern California - Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians:
Virginia Heflin

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through May 10, 2019.

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E. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village of California:
Brett Delano

To note, Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. The applicant did not announce himself at the meeting.

Action:

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

F. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
Mario Rogers

To note, Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that several attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff, however the applicant did not confirm attendance. The applicant did not announce himself at the meeting.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 22, 2019.

G. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:
Luis Garcia

Comments Received From:

Luis Garcia, via telephone

Chairman Evans asked Mr. Garcia if he understood the condition to be placed on the Initial Finding of Suitability.

Mr. Garcia confirmed that he understood the condition and noted that he is up to date with regard to his Family Support compliance.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Chairman Evans, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 14, 2018, with the condition noted below:

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Beginning November 1, 2018, and every 90 days thereafter, Mr. Garcia must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with documentation evidencing proof of efforts to resolve the outstanding account in collections for Imperial County.

11. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact):

Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village of California:

i) Jorge Lozano, Jr.

Comments Received From:

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

To note, Chairman Evans called forth the applicant to ask if they were present. The applicant was not present in person or by telephone.

Commissioner LaBrie made a motion to approve the Renewal Finding of Suitability with the existing condition.

Commissioner To seconded the motion.

Assistant Director Morrow suggested the Commissioners may want to add additional language to the existing condition for Mr. Lozano, Jr. to provide efforts to resolve his outstanding debt.

Commissioner LaBrie withdrew her motion and Commissioner To withdrew his second.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Finding of Suitability through January 2, 2019, continuing with the existing condition with added language noted below:

Beginning November 1, 2018, and every 180 days thereafter, Mr. Lozano, Jr. must provide to the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of ongoing efforts to resolve or establish a payment plan to satisfy his outstanding collection accounts.

ii) Thad Shelton

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Finding of Suitability through August 8, 2020, removing the existing condition noted below:

~~Beginning January 1, 2018 and every 180 days thereafter, Mr. Shelton must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of ongoing efforts to resolve or establish a payment plan to satisfy his charge off accounts.~~

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

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

- A. Casino Merced: Chao Yang
- B. Parkwest Casino Sonoma: Kontear Peng

13. 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. Arise, LLC:
 - Player: Jordan McCloskey
- B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:
 - Players: Seema Chavesta Peter Doykos Rizaldy Evangelista
 - Tran Lam Jocelyn Moreno Shashi Kiran Narasimha Murthy
 - Jose Perez Hernandez Lizette Quiroz
 - Bernardo Sandoval Romero
 - Kong Vang Gabriela Velazquez
- C. Global Player Services, Inc.:
 - Player: Javier Mosqueda Saldivar
- D. Knighted Ventures, LLC:
 - Players: Autumn Anderson Mary Baires Brittane Brown
 - Steven Chev Angela Chew Valerie Coleman
 - Jessica Cuellar Robert Gonzalez Susan Lerman
 - Hanz Lopez Juan Negrete Ramos Shirley Ochoa
 - Damian Pitkanen Bryan Rojas Ryan Shephard
- E. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:
 - Player: Michael Born
- F. Metis TPS, LLC:
 - Players: Qiangguo Fu Shuqin Jiang Misael Pastor
 - Jin Mei Payares Javier Trevizo Huimin Xu
- G. PT Gaming, LLC:
 - Players: Mirasol Botacion Robert Flore Jun Hao Liu
 - Antonio Mateo Cassandra Sanchez
- H. Qualified Player Services, LLC:
 - Player: Mike Lee

14. 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):

- Knighted Ventures, LLC:
 - Players: Ellie Chan Durrell Dillard Nolan Dixon

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Eric Du
Dale Manzella

Duc Hang
Albaro Resendiz

Richani Lim
Mitchell Taylor

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

A. Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Michael Maloney

B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Destiny Lerma

C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:

Sam La

Sal Om

Kurt Ulm

Yanet Wright

D. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:

Stephen Pelzer

E. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:

Gabriela Puentes

F. Coyote Valley Casino - Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians:

John Gamble

G. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:

Anthony Carolo

Ricky Van

H. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:

Dustin Harvell

Dhruba Parajuli

I. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:

Lev Yang

J. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:

Arnulfo Carreon

Betty Carter-Valentin

Carla Mercado

K. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:

Patrick Latherow

Kenneth Perez

Rickey Stephenson Jr.

Yasser Tamarit Olivera

Renee Yocham

L. Rain Rock Casino - Karuk Tribe:

Dennis Barnes

M. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:

Taylor Flanagan

Robert Mackenberg

N. San Manuel Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:

David Burke

Ricardo Fernandez

Josephine Hoang

Cecilia Martin

Oliver Shoemaker

Heather Wasley

O. Soboba Casino - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:

Jonathan Williams

P. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:

Alejandra Aguilera Robledo

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- Q. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:
Kenneth Smith Michael To
- R. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:
Rosa Hernandez
- S. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
Louis Penner
- T. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:
Karen McDonald Donna Ross Lisa Shelton
- U. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Michael Withers

16. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact):

- A. Feather Falls Casino & Lodge - Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians:
Lee Vue
- B. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:
Stephanie Benz Jesse Blank Cameron Buffington
Luay Damman Aries De La Luna Mark Anthony Fojas
Rayenna Graham-Castoreno George Hazelhurst Jr
Arnel Hernandez Alexander Huskey Melonie Morrison
Amon Murti Emeline Niyomwungere Sreyratana Ouch
Rickey Schultz Meri Stojmanovska *Dennis Vuong*
Steven Wrieden Salvio Yako Jennifer Zanger
- C. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:
Benjamin Baltazar
- D. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
Justin Cady Brian Eschleman Daothiam Hanoumane
Danping Huang Thomas Manz Denise Moore
Karen Ramos Shawn Rice Yanping Wu
- E. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
Michelle Ansley Casey Byers Consorcio Digal
Farid Haddad Melissa Hall Michelle Kaaihue
Tiffany Lam Daniel Martz Felipe Masangya
Veasna Muth Chou Nadone Kachreh Nava
Todd Neely Sing Ngai Tom Phu
Lee Rodaer Chip Saechao Nicole Saechin
Awang Saepanh
Vue Yang
- F. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:
Kristen Trejo

Action:

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

items 12 through 16, excluding item 13. F., Qiangguo Fu, as he is no longer employed with the respective entity under which he applied, and take no action on item 16. B. Dennis Vuong.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None.

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

Chairman Evans disclosed that the Commissioners would meet in Closed Session on the following:

- II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3):
 - C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Gregory Michael Hill, (CGCC-2017-1019-9A)
 - F. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Jeffrey David Stubblebine, (GCADS-TPSU-001149)
 - G. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Alice M. Catapia, (CGCC-2017-1116-13A)
 - I. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Claudia Lucero Carmona, (CGCC-2018-0208-5D)

CLOSED SESSION:

- I. Litigation (Government Code section 11126(e)):
 - A. *Stand Up For California, et al. v. State of California, et al.*, Madera County Superior Court (MCV062850)
 - B. *Eric G. Swallow v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-800002402)
 - C. *Garden City, Inc. v. Eric Swallow*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-00198132)
 - D. *Lucky Chances, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002549)
 - E. *Rene Medina v. Xavier Becerra, Jim Evans, et al.*; United States District Court, Northern District of California (17-cv-03293 KAW)
 - F. *California Valley Miwok Tribe v. California Gambling Control Commission et al.*; San Diego County Superior Court (37-2017-00050038-MU-CO-CTL)
 - G. *Tongtoua Yang v. California Gambling Control Commission et al.*; Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002744)
 - H. *Callaye Jo Strauss v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2018-80002882)
 - I. *Yavapai-Apache Nation v. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians and California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento Superior Court (34-2018-00238711)
- 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)

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- B. In the Matter of the Application for Renewal of Third Party Providers of Proposition Players Services Player License and the Statement of Issues for Joseph Capps, (TPPL-006948; OAH No. 2016100308)
- C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Gregory Michael Hill, (CGCC-2017-1019-9A)
- D. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Qualified Player Services, LLC, (CGCC-2017-1218-16)
- E. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Danny Liv, (CGCC-2017-1207-5F)
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ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Evans adjourned the Commission Meeting into Closed Session at 11:05 AM. No further information was given.