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**MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2019  
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 was taken with Chairman Jim Evans, Commissioner Paula LaBrie, Commissioner Gareth Lacy, and Commissioner Trang To present.
3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:
  - A. August 29, 2019 – Commission Meeting
  - B. September 13, 2019 – GCA Hearing
  - C. September 24, 2019 – GCA Hearing

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the August 29, 2019 Commission Meeting Minutes and the September 13, 2019, and September 24, 2019, GCA Hearing Minutes.

4. Consideration of Initial State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, and 19852; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12342):
  - A. Artichoke Joe's Casino: Artichoke Joe's Casino (A California Corporation)  
Karen Sammut, Director

Comments Received From:

Alan Titus. Designated Agent, Attorney, via telephone

Mr. Titus agreed, on behalf of his client Karen Sammut, to take no action until the resolution of the Accusation.

No action was taken.

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B. Casino M8trix: Garden City, Inc.  
Robert Lindo, Vice President, Director

Comments Received From:

Robert Lindo, in person  
Frances Asuncion, SSM II, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person  
Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission, in person  
Todd Vlaanderen, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission, in person

Commissioner LaBrie requested confirmation from Mr. Lindo whether he understood and would comply with the recommended condition to register with the State Bar of California's In-House Counsel Program.

Mr. Lindo responded that the condition, as presented, would be moot as he will be leaving the General Counsel position and will be acting in the position of Vice President and Director. However, Mr. Lindo confirmed his understanding and assent to the condition if he returns to the role of General Counsel.

Commissioner LaBrie stated it is important for the California State Bar to have jurisdiction over him therefore he needs to be in the registration program.

Commissioner LaBrie stated it will be difficult for the Commission to be assured Mr. Lindo is no longer practicing in the role of General Counsel versus doing something else. Commissioner LaBrie further noted her preference for Mr. Lindo to be registered and then have the option to be practicing law and then transfer out of the position.

Mr. Lindo stated his intention is to resign from the General Counsel position. Mr. Lindo further indicated that the City of San Jose precludes him from operating as Vice President and General Counsel at the same time.

Commissioner LaBrie asked when the Commission would be notified of the resignation.

Mr. Lindo responded that once approved, he would apply with the Chief of Police in San Jose for the new titles and resign as General Counsel at the same time.

Commissioner Lacy noted Mr. Lindo was acting as In-House Counsel and asked Mr. Lindo why he did not register with the State Bar.

Mr. Lindo acknowledged his fault and explained it was his understanding that the moral character background portion of the application is lengthy and felt by the time he transitioned into the operational role, the application would be moot.

Commissioner LaBrie stated it is clear in the rules that one can practice law in the capacity of general counsel while the moral character application is submitted and the background is pending as long as one completes the registration and fee.

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Mr. Lindo agreed with Commissioner LaBrie and reiterated the subsequent moral character application takes the extended period of time. Mr. Lindo further stated once the operational role was completed he would have to withdraw an application that was incomplete, which seemed like a bad idea at the time.

Mr. Lindo admitted a series of compounding miscalculations landed him in the current situation and asked the commission to please grant his application.

Commissioner Lacy asked if Mr. Lindo has consulted with the State Bar.

Mr. Lindo stated he has consulted with an attorney who specializes in State Bar issues.

Mr. Lindo stated that the City of San Jose will not grant a license until a decision is made by the Commission.

Executive Director Luna Baxter stated her prior experience with the San Jose Police Department Division of Gambling is that they do depend on the State's review and approval prior to issuing out the license. They are not going to move forward and do a background investigation and issue a license and will wait until one is issued by the Commission.

Chairman Evans stated that Mr. Lindo is still working as General Counsel without registering with the State Bar which is not right.

SSM II Asuncion stated that Mr. Lindo holds a Key Employee License to serve as a Director valid through March 22, 2022, with the City of San Jose.

Chairman Evans urged Mr. Lindo to work with the cardroom and with the City of San Jose and provide documentation.

Chief Counsel Vlaanderen stated that the condition will only apply if Mr. Lindo is working in the capacity of General Counsel.

Commissioner LaBrie responded that she would like the assurance that Mr. Lindo is not acting in the General Counsel position.

No action taken. The matter was tabled to be heard at a future Commission meeting.

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

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 5A, 5B, 5D, and 5E were heard concurrently as a group.

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A. D'Shawn Brown

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee License through August 31, 2020.

B. Kristopher Martinez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee License through August 31, 2020.

D. Justin Saechao

Action:

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

E. Ace Yang

Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that multiple attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff; however, Mr. Yang did not confirm attendance. Ace Yang did not announce himself at the meeting.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee License through December 31, 2020.

C. Zachariah Robinson

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Chairman Evans, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Key Employee Licenses through August 31, 2020.

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

Jeffrey Stubblebine

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and 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 without prejudice.

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

Casino Merced: Soukhy Sihanat

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and 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 April 30, 2021.

8. 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:

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Item 8Ai and 8Aiii were heard together.

Supervisor: i) Timothy Kimoto Player: iii) Glen Zirtzman II

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversions of the registrations to Initial Licenses through November 30, 2021.

Players: ii) Roderick Hebert

Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that multiple attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff; however, Mr. Hebert did not confirm attendance. Commissioner LaBrie called forth the applicant to ask if he was present. Roderick Hebert did not announce himself at the meeting.

No action taken. The item was tabled to be heard at a future Commission Meeting.

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B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Player: Christopher Palacios

Deputy Director Alcala-Beshara informed the Commission that multiple attempts to confirm the applicant's attendance were made by Commission staff; however Mr. Palacios did not confirm attendance. Commissioner LaBrie called forth the applicant to ask if he was present. Christopher Palacios was not present in person or by telephone.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and 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. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:

Player: You Xi Fang

Comments Received From:

Jarhett Blonien, Designated Agent, Attorney, in person

Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission, in person

Brian Gilleland, Acting SSM II, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Commissioner To noted there appears there may be a possible language barrier with Mr. Fang and asked Mr. Blonien to describe the process with regard to how the questions asked by the Bureau were relayed back and forth from the applicant to the Bureau.

Mr. Blonien described the process and noted his concerns that the questions asked by the Bureau were inappropriate as there was a different level of scrutiny from other Third-Party Players in the questions being asked by the Bureau to his client.

Commissioner To discussed the right of the Bureau to investigate further as the areas of concern involve gambling issues and public safety.

Mr. Blonien stated that Mr. Fang has been working in the industry for eight years and questioned the relevance to the incident at hand, which occurred in 1996. Mr. Blonien stated that "we just randomly got a question saying "does he gamble?"".

Chairman Evans asked the Bureau to confirm how the questions related to Mr. Fang's gambling issues were raised.

Acting SSM II Gilleland explained the gambling issue came up when questions were asked by the Bureau about Mr. Fang's prior conviction. Further, Mr. Fang's statement indicated the conviction stemmed from his gambling addiction problem. In addition, questions were asked how Mr. Fang supported himself while unemployed to which Mr. Fang responded that he supported himself through gambling winnings.

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Chairman Evans noted the Department of Justice has the right to ask further questions on relevant issues.

Commissioner To noted his empathy regarding the applicant's language barrier and reiterated that it is relevant for a law enforcement agency to follow-up on questions such as the ones raised. Commissioner To again asked Mr. Blonien the question as to what was done to assist the applicant with the language difficulties. Mr. Blonien stated that there was no certified interpreter provided and it was just employees talking to employees.

Commissioner Lacy noted concerns regarding the process of gathering information and submitting it to the Bureau. Further, Commissioner Lacy stated Mr. Fang's gambling history coupled with a long period of unemployment, where the income reported was gambling winnings, seems to be a fair area for investigation.

Commissioner LaBrie asked for clarification with regard to an interpreter within the process of how the questions asked by the Bureau were relayed back and forth from the applicant to the Bureau.

Mr. Blonien responded that Mr. Fang went to Fortune Players Group, Inc.'s office in Daly City and an employee, one of the Supervisors, that speaks the same dialect helped Mr. Fang fill out his application. Commissioner LaBrie then asked what Mr. Blonien's role was in assisting during the process and suggested earlier involvement since there were concerns. Commissioner LaBrie stated it would have been beneficial if Mr. Fang had a certified interpreter.

Commissioner To noted difficulties in translating languages and reiterated the Bureau has the right to follow up on applications when they have questions.

Chairman Evans asked if Mr. Fang wears a badge when he gambles at Lucky Chances Casino.

Mr. Blonien questioned the legal necessity if Mr. Fang must wear a badge while gambling.

Executive Director Luna Baxter clarified and confirmed that Third-Party Players must wear a badge when in any California gambling establishment pursuant to regulation.

Acting SSM II Gilleland confirmed that Mr. Fang submitted a signed statement claiming he wears a badge when he is on site.

### Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversion of the registration to Initial License through November 30, 2021.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Item 8Di through 8Diii were heard together.

D. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Supervisors: i) Trung Bui

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversions of the registrations to Initial Licenses through November 30, 2021.

ii) David Chlebowski

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversions of the registrations to Initial Licenses through November 30, 2021.

iii) Cue Lo

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversions of the registrations to Initial Licenses through November 30, 2021.

Player: iv) Jose Jimenez

Comments Received From:

Jose Jimenez, via telephone

Chairman Evans requested confirmation from Mr. Jimenez whether he understood and would comply with imposed condition.

Mr. Jimenez confirmed his understanding and assent to the condition.

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversion of the registration to Initial License through November 30, 2021, with the condition noted below:

*Beginning January 1, 2020, and every 90 days thereafter, Jose Jimenez must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to resolve his fines until resolved and proof is provided to the Bureau.*

E. PT Gaming, LLC:

Players: i) Erica Azevedo



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Comments Received From:

Erica Azevedo, via telephone

Commissioner LaBrie asked Ms. Azevedo asked what her participation was in the argument that occurred at her former employer.

Ms. Azevedo stated that she was not involved in the argument; however, she was present during the argument.

Commissioner Lacy asked why Ms. Azevedo disclosed the reason for leaving her former employer as resigned, when she had been terminated.

Ms. Azevedo stated she was unaware that she had disclosed resigned on the application and further stated that once the Bureau brought this to her attention, she disclosed she had been terminated.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner To, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversion of the registration to Initial License through November 30, 2021.

ii) Kam Hung Fok

Action:

Upon motion of Chairman Evans, seconded by Commissioner LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversion of the registration to Initial License through November 30, 2021.

iii) Caelan Williams

Commissioner LaBrie noted it is important to follow and know the law in the gambling industry because there may come a time when a supervisor may ask something inappropriate be done, and one has to be able to say no.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Chairman Evans, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the conversion of the registration to Initial License through November 30, 2021.

9. 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):

Knighthed Ventures, LLC:

Player: Alexandra Gonzales

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Deputy Director Alcalá-Beshara informed the Commission that multiple attempts to confirm Ms. Gonzales' attendance were made by Commission staff; however, Ms. Gonzales did not confirm attendance. Alexandra Gonzales did not announce herself at the meeting.

Action:

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

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

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 10A, 10B, 10Di, 10Dii, and 10E were heard together.

A. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Melanie Phillips

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and 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 1, 2021.

B. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians of California:  
Donna Schilling

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and 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 October 1, 2020.

D. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
i) Kristin Dixon

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and 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 March 31, 2021.

ii) Michael Peterson, Jr.

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and 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 December 31, 2020.

E. San Manuel Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:  
Peter DePasquale

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner To, and 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, 2021.

C. Fantasy Spring Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:  
Michael Gonzalez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner To, seconded by Commissioner Lacy, and 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 31, 2020.

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

Running Creek Casino - Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake:  
Tracy Lampela

Comments Received From:

Mysty Trejo, SSM II, Bureau of Gambling Control, in person

Commissioner LaBrie urged applicants to adhere to conditions that have been placed on their finding of suitability.

Chairman Evans asked the Bureau if Ms. Lampela's judgments are enforceable.

SSM II Trejo confirmed that the judgments were not renewed; however, did not confirm whether Ms. Lampela is responsible for paying them.

Commissioner Lacy discussed the relevance of the current condition due to the judgments not being renewed.

Chairman Evans provided admonishment to Ms. Lampela to follow and respect conditions if placed on a future Finding of Suitability.

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Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Chairman Evans, and 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 December 30, 2020, removing the existing condition noted below:

~~Beginning August 1, 2017, and every 180 days thereafter, Ms. Lampela must provide to the Bureau proof of ongoing efforts to resolve or establish a payment plan to satisfy her Lake County Small Claims Judgments.~~

12. Hearing Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 19870 and 19871 and CCR, Title 4, section 12060:

- A. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Player of Proposition Player Services License for Ruth Reyes, (CGCC-2019-0328-11Aii)

Comments Received From:

Jason Pope, Staff Counsel III, In person

Staff Counsel III Pope stated that on May 22, 2017, the Bureau received the Application from Ms. Reyes. On January 2, 2019, the Bureau issued recommendation for denial. On March 28, 2019 the Commission considered the applicant's application and referred it to an evidentiary hearing pursuant to Commission regulation section 12060(b). The applicant received notice in two ways: First, the Evidentiary Hearing Referral Letter was sent by Commission Staff on June 27, 2019, with a blank Notice of Defense and instructions to return within 15 days. Staff received no response. Secondly, a Notice of Evidentiary Hearing was sent by Commission Staff on August 19, 2019, which stated the hearing was set to occur on November 7, 2019. In an update from the draft provided to the Commissioners earlier, Staff received a copy of the certificate of receipt signed by the applicant. The Decision has standard language and terms.

Chairman Evans called forth the applicant to ask if she was present. Ms. Reyes was not present in person or by telephone.

Action:

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

- B. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Player of Proposition Player Services License for Christopher Walker, (CGCC-2019-0627-9A)

Comments Received From:

Jason Pope, Staff Counsel III, In person

Staff Counsel III Pope stated that on September 20, 2017, the Bureau received the Application. On February 2, 2019, the Bureau issued recommendation for denial. On June 27, 2019, the Commission considered the applicant's application and referred it to an evidentiary hearing pursuant to Commission regulation section 12060(b). The applicant received notice in two ways: First, the Evidentiary Hearing Referral Letter was sent by Commission Staff on June 28, 2019, with a blank Notice of Defense and instructions to return in 15 days. Staff received no response. Secondly, the Notice of Evidentiary Hearing was sent by Commission Staff on August 19, 2019, which stated the hearing was set to occur on November 7, 2019. In an update from the draft provided to the Commissioners earlier, Staff received a copy of the certificate of receipt signed by the applicant. The Decision has standard language and terms.

Chairman Evans called forth the Christopher Walker to ask if he was present. Mr. Walker was not present in person or by telephone.

Action:

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

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

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

Napa Valley Casino: Rose Ann Catahan

14. 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:

Other Employee: Max Munoz

Players: Marissa Griego Shayla Sperling

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: Marita Arellano Christopher Bagunas Anisa Ferreira  
David Gallagher Gary Garcia Te'Era Huffman  
Lea Lyn Mae Lazaro Angel Saa Karla Torres  
Devin Toscano

C. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Players: Sherrilyn Adona Stacey Amaya Derek Eaton  
Colin Hayward Dakota Heer Adan Hernandez-Amador  
Eva Higginson Jose Lema Napoleon Madrid  
Tirtha Mishra Luke Moua Alan Reyes  
Whitney Sachs Feuy Saechao Hannah Saquilayan  
Blong Thao Jasmine Thuch

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D. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Player: Ivanhoy Lee

E. Metis TPS, LLC:

Players: Davis Algorri Chivy Clot Shuhui Dong  
Min Lin Fonglan Lu My Van Luong  
Eric Tea Qingkun Yang

F. PT Gaming, LLC:

Players: Daniel Arriola Yenhwkua Chue Jeffrey Coffman  
Rigo Cole Xavier Evans Gina Kho  
Jesse Lee Darian Smith

G. Qualified Player Services, LLC:

Player: Nicholas Harris

15. 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. Acme Player Services, LLC:

Player: Shawn Samreth

B. Arise, LLC:

Players: Stephen Wright Yan Jun Wu

C. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: Nicholas Alva Rodolfo Avila Brent Buck  
Nicholas DeLucia Corrine Donsbach Ryan Freese  
Ranjodh Hans Andrea Hernandez Fabian Iniguez  
Taylor Lucas Vicky Medina Jessica Meneses  
Yadira Moreno Joseph Mosqueda Jr. Thi Nguyen  
Angelcelyna Ouk Cassandra Robles Michelle Ruiz  
Tony Sherwood Jennifer Smeed Brenda Taing  
Van Vu Cristhian Zelaya

D. Gaming Fund Group, Inc.:

Supervisor: Huy La  
Players: Mei Xing Chow Minh Huynh Cuong La

E. Global Player Services, Inc.:

Player: Nashawn Lipscombe

F. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Players: Brandon Elledge Sergio Rodriguez Irving Ruiz Santiago

G. Majesty Partners, LLC:

Players: Sergio Rodriguez Irving Ruiz Santiago

H. Metis TPS, LLC:

Player: Suzy Lim

I. Pacific United Service, Inc.:

Players: Chariza Hipolito Christian Martinez

J. PT Gaming, LLC:

Supervisor: Ryan Huntington  
Players: Stephanie Chheang Andrew Escorcia Lourdes Sales  
Mai Xiong Karry Yeun

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K. Qualified Player Services, LLC:

Players: Bashir Farooqi Kevin Ferguson Kelli Ganz  
Maria Vallejo

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

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
David Huffman
- B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Miguel Lopez Pedro Ribera
- C. Bear River Casino Hotel - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:  
Austin Nichols
- D. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:  
Annastacia Downing Arturo Rios Garcia
- E. Elk Valley Casino - Elk Valley Rancheria:  
Kassi Marques
- F. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
Jay Vang Jeanette Wheeler
- G. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:  
James Ngo Jennifer Riddell
- H. San Manuel Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:  
Richard Tuck II
- I. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
Ronald Shearer Frances Vasquez
- J. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:  
Gregg Alexander
- K. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:  
Norayda Guthrie
- L. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:  
Cindy Hua

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

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Doyle Auten Paula Hill Minnie Agbayani  
Derek Belchamber Deanna Birch David Hsu  
Alberto Lopez Gutierrez Joseph Orta Julianne Patterson  
Sandra Rodriguez
- B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:  
Exequiel Arellano Robert Williams
- C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:  
Richard Aramburo David Glass Charles Hartsfield Jr.  
Liliana Madrigal Charlotte Maglalang-Sterling Kyle Martinez  
Jessica Ruiz Zachary Wessel Sr. Brent Wimmer

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- D. Bear River Casino Hotel - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:  
Kevin Fox
- E. Black Oak Casino - Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:  
Sandra Hornback
- F. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:  
Miguel Barreto-Franco    Joey Bertzyk    Jeffery Little
- G. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:  
Bryan Finnie    Alyson Malamanig    Teresa Pena
- H. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:  
Monica Chapman    Sean Emel    Amber Hanks  
Page Kumagai    Pang Lee    Charlisha Mart  
Onechanh Phakonekham    Rebecca Thompson  
Shawn Va
- I. Diamond Mountain Casino & Hotel - Susanville Indian Rancheria:  
Radley Shipes    Eli Wadley
- J. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:  
Amanda Beck    Ricardo Prieto Jr.    Susan Williams
- K. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:  
Subash Basnet    Randall Da Costa    Manuel Gonzalez Sandoval  
Justin McAlister    Martha Rico-Sosa    Kiet Tran  
Antonio Valeriano
- L. Harrah's Resort Southern California - Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Rincon Reservation:  
Barbara Killen    Darrell Pilant    Luz Rodriguez  
Ertell San Luis
- M. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:  
John Ballesteros    Daniel Carson    Ashley Lagrimas  
Jennifer Urjevich
- N. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:  
Lynn Mueck
- O. Lucky 7 Casino - Smith River Rancheria:  
Terry Bray
- P. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:  
Stephanie Alcorn    Nathan Anderson    Amin Ashraf  
Itzel Bardales Serrano    Timothy Brandt    Rickey Hayes  
Andy Ho    Michael Llewellyn    Freddie Lu  
Fred Napoli    Ralph Piccola Jr.    Sean Pritchard  
Paul Reimers    Suwat Wattananukij
- Q. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:  
Jennifer Silva    Erich Strafeldas    Emerito Grime Tomaneng  
Lihua Wang    Cindy Woodruff



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- R. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:  
Denise Jones                      Quoc Nguyen                      Lang Vang
- S. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:  
Leticia Rocha Campos William Rogers
- T. San Manuel Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:  
Terry Kuhs                      Christy Ortiz                      Linda Richardson  
Mickey VandenBerg      Roxanna Villegas              Lawrence Weaver Jr.
- U. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:  
Amanda Weaver
- V. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
Vanessa Hernandez      Ventura Lopez                      Emanuel Montes  
Matthew Singleton
- W. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:  
Maria Andrade              Linda Badal                      Robert Bulster  
Monte Carson              John Foster                      Mitchel Gusky  
Jonathan Habersham      Roger Hagariles              Elizabeth Hinds  
Nabil Kasawdish              Rodney Lindgren              Denton Linn  
Milagros Logan              Steve Ma                      Lucy Murillo  
Maybelyn Nagtalon      Trung Phan                      Jose Reveles  
Sammy Rios                      Alfred Romero                      Soyla Ruiz  
Virginia Sanchez              Albert Shamasha              Kenneth Smith  
Norborne Spottswood      Kianoosh Tehrani              Marilou Tonnaer  
Terri Wild                      Edward Yonemitsu
- X. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:  
Veena Cha
- Y. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:  
Cynthia Donez              Stanley Espinoza              Mark Falkenrath  
Juan Flores                      Jose Gonzalez                      Phetsavanh Homsombath  
Michelle Lawrence              Gricelda Perez
- Z. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:  
Jossa Mae Cabutotan      Abraham Carranza              Cindy Cisneros  
Alicia Edwards              Kennitha Goss                      Kim Her  
Hiep Hoang                      Justin Horn                      Matthew Lemos  
Mark Maddox                      Louis Penner                      Scott Rapoport  
Michael Ronnebeck              Mey Saechao                      David Triggs  
Hue Vang                      Nancy Wyrsh
- AA. Tortoise Rock Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:  
Carmelita Bazan              Karalee Hargrove
- BB. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:  
Evia Badilla                      Ariana Esparza                      Marcus Flores  
Beatrice Rodriguez              Rodelyn Sambo
- CC. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:  
Duane Anderson              Jeffrey McCarl                      Hsiuyen Novak  
Sean Stoddard

DD.Win-River Casino - Redding Rancheria:  
David Cosca

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Chairman Evans, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioner LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar items 13 through 17.

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

None.

**CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:**

III. Personnel Matters (Government Code Section 11126(a)(1))

**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)
- J. *Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)
- K. *Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)

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.201511046), (GCADS-GEWP-002630)
- B. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Brian Yee, (CGCC-2019-0411-5B)

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- C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Brian Yee, (CGCC-2018-0906-4B)
- D. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Regular Work Permit for Eduardo Jesus Martinez, (CGCC-2019-0221-9)
- E. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Darren John Reed, (CGCC-2019-0411-4G)
- F. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Key Employee License for Callaye Strauss, (CGCC-2017-0713-7G)
- G. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Player of Proposition Player Services License for Ruth Reyes, ( CGCC-2019-03211Aii)
- H. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Player of Proposition Player Services License for Christopher Walker, (CGCC-2019-0627-9A)
- I. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Albert Tin King Wong, (CGCC-2019-0411-8Cii)
- J. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Albert Tin King Wong, (CGCC-2019-0411-6E)
- K. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Pedro Fabian Reyes-Amado, (CGCC-2019-0516-8Bi)

III. Personnel Matters (Government Code Section 11126(a)(1))

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Evans Adjourned the Commission Meeting into Closed Session at 11:25 AM. No further information was given.