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**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 11, 2020
COMMISSION MEETING**

Pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 regarding the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was held by tele/videoconference and there was no location open to the public.

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order.

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

Executive Director Stacey Luna Baxter gave ZOOM participation instructions.

3. 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):

Knighthed Ventures, LLC: Knighthed Ventures, LLC
 Roy Choi, Managing Member
 Jieho Lee, Managing Member

Comments Received From:

Tammy Tsoumas, Designated Agent, via telephone

Mark Holscher, Designated Agent, via telephone

Yolanda Morrow, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control, via telephone

Ms. Tsoumas noted appreciation for the questions Commission staff raised and expressed desire to address Knighthed Ventures, LLC's (Knighthed Ventures) concerns. Ms. Tsoumas stated one of the concerns raised was Fortiss, LLC's (Fortiss) role in processing checks and wires for Knighthed Ventures. Further, Ms. Tsoumas explained that Knighthed Ventures has put into place additional internal controls to emphasize that Fortiss' role within Knighthed Ventures is purely administrative.

Ms. Tsoumas then stated with respect to invoices, Knighthed Ventures has proactively added that before checks go out, the check register is sent back to Knighthed Ventures for a second approval. Ms. Tsoumas stated Knighthed Ventures

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has the sole authority to approve checks in the first instance. The checks are then sent over to Fortiss for administrative purposes to be processed and now they come back again to Knighted Ventures for approval.

Ms. Tsoumas further stated that an additional step was added to address concerns raised with respect to wires. Now, before any wire is sent, Mr. Choi, or someone that he designates, must contact Comerica bank to authorize the wire. Ms. Tsoumas further explained this step is in addition to the fact that Knighted Ventures approves and authorizes the wires before they go to Fortiss for administrative processing.

Ms. Tsoumas then addressed concerns raised regarding the Knighted Services, Inc.'s loan to American Patriot. Ms. Tsoumas noted the loan has the option to be converted to equity; however, is very unlikely to occur. Ms. Tsoumas further stated that Knighted Ventures is willing to inform the Commission and Bureau in advance of any conversion to equity as proposed in one of the conditions.

Ms. Tsoumas addressed concerns with Monument Properties-5, LLC (MP5), which is a non-gambling single entity LLC, owed by Roy Choi and John Park. Ms. Tsoumas stated that, upon request of the Bureau and/or the Commission, Knighted Ventures is willing to amend all Third-Party Proposition Player Services contracts to reflect the ownership. Additionally, Ms. Tsoumas stated Knighted Ventures recently submitted updated agreements for two contracts, Parkwest Casino Sonoma and Parkwest Casino Lotus, both containing MP5.

Ms. Tsoumas then stated Knighted Ventures is not willing to agree to all of the conditions recommended by the Commission, but willing to answer any questions to alleviate any further concerns.

Commissioner Lacy stated the issues are complex and would be better heard at an evidentiary hearing. Commissioner Lacy then asked Ms. Tsoumas when the Knighted Ventures Internal Controls Memorandum (Memo) was written, what the source of the memo was, and whether any training has been conducted.

Ms. Tsoumas responded that the Memo has been around for a while; however, was amended in May to address concerns and add additional controls previously mentioned. Ms. Tsoumas further confirmed there has not been formal training with respect to the Memo. The people at Knighted Ventures, in the appropriate roles who deal with the checks and invoices, are apprised of the processes; however, are not trained in a formal way. Ms. Tsoumas further stated that Knighted Ventures offered to provide a policy as well as a formal training program at the request of the Commission, or if the Commission would think it would be helpful.

Commissioner Lacy stated that issuing a license could undermine the public's trust with the potential that gambling operations may not be free from dishonest or criminal elements. Commissioner Lacy asked why Knighted Ventures is unable to provide its own management services like other Third-Party Provider companies and why Knighted Ventures chooses to use Fortiss.

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Ms. Tsoumas responded that Knighted Ventures has chosen to use Fortiss as it works well with their company. Ms. Tsoumas further stated that Knighted Ventures is willing to put other policies in place and noted they are willing to continue the dialogue in an evidentiary hearing process.

Chairman Evans provided a brief history of similar items he has experienced in the past and stated this is a tough hurdle to clear as Knighted Ventures is a unique structure.

Commissioner Evans stated he could not think of another relationship where a Cardroom has a relationship with a Third-Party Provider. Chairman Evans then stated that he has inherent problems with the structure itself; mainly that Mr. Park is owner of Fortiss; Fortiss provides legal advice to the Cardrooms and the Third-Party Provider; Fortiss owns the software (Horus) used by the Third-Party that counts the money; and Fortiss provides the support for the software.

Commissioner LaBrie agreed there is a unique business structure and expressed a cause for concern. Commissioner LaBrie then stated that she believes that an evidentiary hearing appears necessary for this situation.

Commissioner To stated that he has been a Commissioner for five years and agrees that this is a unique, complex business model and in order to overcome the optic, without Knighted Ventures' assent to condition, would be best served in a GCA hearing.

Mr. Holscher stated that Knighted Ventures, LLC, has fully disclosed the issues discussed to the Bureau 17 times and have been fully transparent. Mr. Holscher then stated Knighted Ventures looks forward to an evidentiary hearing, hopes the Commission keeps an open mind, and noted the Bureau was comfortable with approving Knighted Ventures.

Chairman Evans reiterated concerns and made a motion to send the matter to an evidentiary hearing.

Commissioner To asked the Bureau if they stand by their initial recommendation of approval with the information received.

Assistant Director Morrow responded that the Bureau stands by their recommendation of approval but agrees with the recommended conditions listed in the Commission's memorandum.

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 referred the matter to a GCA evidentiary hearing.

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- F. A current lease for the gambling establishment's premises, if applicable; and*
 - G. A current and complete Chart of Accounts, as required by California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 12312*
 - 2. *The Owner-Licensee may not open or offer controlled games until the Bureau of Gambling Control has inspected the cardroom and determined the cardroom is in compliance with all pertinent regulatory standards.*
 - 3. *The Owner-Licensee may not open or offer controlled games until the Bureau of Gambling Control has inspected the cardroom and determined the cardroom is in compliance with all pertinent regulatory standards.*
 - 4. *Roy Choi must notify the Commission and Bureau of Gambling Control within 30 days of when the loan to American Patriot, Inc. converts ownership interest.*
5. Consideration of A) Initial Portable Key Employee License; and, B) Renewal Portable Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054, 12350, and 12351):
A. Scott Walker

Commissioner LaBrie noted that although concerning, the conviction occurred in 2001 and was disclosed by the applicant.

Commissioner To also noted that the applicant's statement regarding the conviction was substantiated by the information contained in the police report.

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 Initial Key Employee License through May 31, 2020.

B. Scott Walker

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 Renewal Key Employee License through May 31, 2022.

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

Action:

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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 Initial Key Employee License through August 31, 2020.

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

A. Central Coast Casino: Jerson San Juan

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 August 31, 2021.

B. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Joy Caldo

Commissioner Lacy thanked Ms. Caldo for her engagement in the process and being available by phone.

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 Initial Work Permit through November 30, 2021.

C. Parkwest Casino Sonoma: Felicia Stafford

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 Initial Work Permit through January 31, 2022.

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. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Supervisors: i) Davis Nguyen

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 of the registration to Initial License through June 30, 2022.

ii) Pheng Vue

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Comments Received From:

Pheng Vue, via telephone

Todd Vlaanderen, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission, via telephone

Chairman Evans requested confirmation from Mr. Vue whether he understood and would comply with the conditions listed on the report.

Mr. Vue confirmed his understanding, and assent to the condition listed on the report.

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 conversion of the registration to Initial License through June 30, 2022, with the condition noted below:

Beginning August 1, 2020, and every 180 days thereafter, Pheng Vue must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy his collection account and charge-off accounts until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

B. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Player: Jacqueline Watchman

Comments Received From:

Jacqueline Watchman, via telephone

Commissioner LaBrie noted concern with the termination being a recent event and with Ms. Watchman being in a leadership position at the time. Commissioner LaBrie further noted appreciation for Ms. Watchman's thorough explanation; however, was leaning towards the recommendation of referral to an evidentiary hearing.

Commissioner To expressed concern with a statement Ms. Watchman provided stating that after she got away with the incident the first time, while knowing it was wrong, she continued do it because she did not get caught.

Commissioner To noted appreciation for Ms. Watchman's candor and asked Ms. Watchman where her mentality is currently and what has she learned from the experience.

Ms. Watchman stated that she learned a lot as the events in question led her to a dark place in her life which has opened her eyes because everything was taken away from her. Ms. Watchman further stated she was thankful to be given a second chance and will be more honest in the future. Ms. Watchman continued that she regrets her wrongdoing and wishes she could take it all back.

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Commission To noted appreciation for Ms. Watchman's response and expressed commented in the gambling industry it is imperative to have integrity and honesty.

Commissioner To asked Ms. Watchman how old she is currently.

Ms. Watchman responded she is 23 years old.

Commissioner Lacy stated that Ms. Watchman was on the right track to proving her suitability, by showing up and being transparent and honest with the Bureau. Commissioner Lacy was also concerned with the proximity of the event and believed a GCA hearing would be a better venue as Ms. Watchman can go into more detail to prove her suitability. Further, Commissioner Lacy noted it would be helpful for Ms. Watchman to obtain corroboration from Macy's and/or former colleagues regarding the incident, and to produce character references to vouch for Ms. Watchman's honesty and integrity.

Chairman Evans concurred that his concern was also the proximity of the incident in question and stated Ms. Watchman's application would be better suited for a GCA evidentiary hearing.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner LaBrie, 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 referred the matter to a GCA evidentiary hearing.

C. Majesty Partners, LLC:

Supervisors: i) Davis Nguyen

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 of the registration to Initial License through June 30, 2022.

ii) Pheng Vue

Comments Received From:

Pheng Vue, via telephone

Chairman Evans requested confirmation from Mr. Vue whether he understood and would comply with the conditions listed on the report.

Mr. Vue confirmed his understanding, and assent to the condition listed on the report.

Action:

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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 conversion of the registration to Initial License through June 30, 2022, with the condition noted below:

Beginning August 1, 2020, and every 180 days thereafter, Pheng Vue must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy his collection account and charge-off accounts until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

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

VSR Industries, Inc.:

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Leo Wright, Director, Shareholder

Charles DeGregorio, Secretary, Director,
Shareholder

Colton Vollman, President, Treasurer, Director,
Shareholder

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 Renewal Finding of Suitability through June 30, 2022.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, items 10A through 10C were heard as a group.

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

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

Jenee Lane

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 Initial Finding of Suitability through April 17, 2021.

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

John Morales-Arevalos

Action:

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

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LaBrie, Commissioner Lacy, and Commissioner To voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through August 31, 2020.

C. Soboba Casino - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Richard Ramos

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 Initial Finding of Suitability through September 7, 2021.

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

A. Cahuilla Casino - Cahuilla Band of Indians:
Daniel Edwards

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 December 9, 2021, removing the condition noted below:

~~*Beginning May 1, 2018, and every 90 days thereafter, Mr. Edwards must provide the Bureau with proof of efforts to satisfy his outstanding court-ordered fines.*~~

B. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
Taneisha Williams

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 Renewal Finding of Suitability through October 24, 2021, removing the condition noted below:

~~*Beginning October 1, 2019, and every 90 days thereafter, Taneisha Williams must provide the Bureau with proof of efforts to satisfy her state tax lien.*~~

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 Proposition Player Services Player License for Keanu Quenga, (CGCC-2020-0109-15Ci)

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Comments Received From:

Senior Counsel, Jason Pope, California Gambling Control Commission, via video

Senior Counsel Pope stated that this item has a little more complicated history than items that the Commission has seen before.

On December 7, 2017¹, the Bureau received Mr. Quenga's application. Subsequently, Mr. Quenga was issued a Third Party Proposition Players Services registration valid through May 31, 2021.

On September 6, 2019², the Bureau issued a background investigation report with a recommendation for denial.

On November 7, 2019³, the Commission referred Mr. Quenga's application to an evidentiary hearing.

On December 12, 2019⁴, an evidentiary hearing referral letter, including a blank Notice of Defense (NOD) form and instructions to return in 15 days, was mailed to Mr. Quenga.

On January 17, 2020, the Commission received a signed NOD from Mr. Quenga. The NOD received, appeared to waive his right to a hearing and to accept proposed conditions on his license. However, no conditions were proposed.

Staff next mailed a hearing notice sent on March 26, 2020, which included Mr. Quenga's prior NOD and stated the hearing was set to occur today, June 11, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

On or around May 14, 2020, when the issue with Applicant's NOD became clear, Staff mailed out a new letter to applicant which highlighted the error on the NOD and included a new NOD saying it must be returned or else his application may be denied today.

On or around May 23, 2020, Staff received a new NOD from the applicant, which still had the wrong box checked indicating he waived his right to a hearing and that conditions would be imposed. However, the applicant also checked the box indicating he waived his right to a hearing generally as well as all of the rights afforded at an evidentiary hearing.

1 the date read into the record does not accurately reflect the date found in applicant's record: 7/15/19
2 the date read into the record does not accurately reflect the date found in applicant's record: 11/26/19
3 the date read into the record does not accurately reflect the date found in applicant's record: 1/9/20
4 the date read into the record does not accurately reflect the date found in applicant's record: 1/10/20

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Chief Counsel Pope concluded by stating that the decision has standard language and terms and denies the applicant's application under B&P section 19856 and cancels his registration under Regulation section 12205.

Chairman Evans asked if Mr. Quenga was on the telephone or ZOOM video. There was no response.

Chairman Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner To, to approve the default decision.

However, Chairman Evans and Commissioner To rescinded their motions.

Chairman Evans made a new motion to include 30-days to allow the applicant to request a reconsideration and Commissioner To seconded the motion.

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 Default Decision and Order.

- B. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Kevin Hwa, (CGCC-2020-0109-11B)

Presented By:

Senior Counsel, Jason Pope, California Gambling Control Commission, via video

Senior Counsel Pope stated that on November 13, 2017, the Bureau received Mr. Hwa's application.

On November 15, 2019, the Bureau issued their background investigation report recommending denial.

On January 9, 2020, 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:

Mr. Hwa was sent an evidentiary hearing referral letter on January 10, 2020 with a blank Notice of Defense (NOD) and instructions to return in 15 days. Staff received no response.

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A notice of evidentiary hearing was sent to Mr. Hwa on March 26, 2020, which stated the hearing was set to occur today, June 11, 2020. Staff received no response.

Decision has standard language and terms and denies the applicant's application under B&P section 19856.

Chairman Evans asked if Mr. Hwa was on the telephone or ZOOM video. There was no response.

Chairman Evans made the motion to amend the decision to include 30-days to allow the applicant to request a reconsideration due to COVID-19.

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 Default Decision and Order.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

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

Michael Hafan

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

James Jones

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

Casino Merced: Nang Xiong

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

A. Acme Player Services, LLC:

Players: Jacob Greene Linda Sok

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: Nathaly Alamo Joannie Guillory Jonathan Gutierrez
Dakota Kilbourne Kim Nguyen Tom Nguyen
Anthony Pagayonan Abraham Woldesenbet

C. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:

Player: Fen Xiang Huang

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D. Halcyon Gaming, LLC:

Players: Shantaye Coleman Nancy Ramirez-Flores

E. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Supervisor: Anne Yim

Players: Erick Barraza Kieran Bates Ethan Calderon
Gabriel Carrier Natalie Cazares Elijah LeJander
Stephanie Maldonado Rocha Amanda Perez
Anthony Pham Daniel Strongheart Briana Tapia
Bao Tran Jason Wilson

F. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Players: Carl Brockmyer Justin Patterson Abraha Petros
James Xiong

G. Metis TPS, LLC:

Supervisor: Alfredo Escobar

H. PT Gaming, LLC:

Supervisors: Sokha Choup Michael De Guzman Stephany Henry
Angelina Meas
Players: Annise Houston Breauene Jacks Mark Price
Taryn Smith

17. 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:

Player: Brittany Nelson

B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Players: Geia Null Jamie Navarro Susan Oseguera
Sarith Powers Miguel Suarez

C. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Player: John Walias

D. Metis TPS, LLC:

Players: Li Ying Chiu Malay Koy Yanling Li
Teresa Sida Zhongchang Xu

E. Pacific United Service, Inc.:

Player: Adriana Hernandez

F. PT Gaming, LLC:

Players: Anthony Dizon Rhey Marie Fernandez
June Clifford Galendez Yeng Her
Jorge Hidalgo Savanna Houth Sudiao Ke
Heather Kern Lay Saechao Ialisha Vankham
Huaile Yang Huirong Zeng

G. Qualified Player Services, LLC:

Player: Kirsten Rollag

18. 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:
Michael Domaradski Paul Darling Isaura Velez Sandoval

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- B. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:
 - Cynthia Lai Nestor Ramirez Melchor Isak Xhelili
 - C. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:
 - Pat Brandon III
 - D. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:
 - Peter Levasheff Antonio Velasco Acosta
 - E. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
 - Joel Avila Biraj Kwinkel Carol Mathews
 - F. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
 - Priscilla Baraud
 - G. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:
 - Didi Aquino
 - H. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
 - Felipe Diaz Rios Dina Carmen Marcon John Ber Nabung
 - I. San Manuel Casino - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:
 - Tiffany Chapman
 - J. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
 - Gary Hamilton Benjamin Roberts Kristina Simmons
 - Alyssa Stuve
 - K. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:
 - Danny Compos Jr.
 - L. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:
 - Eric Morales
 - M. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
 - Heather Howard Edward Johnson
 - N. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
 - James Forcier Jr.
 - O. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:
 - Kiara Martinez
19. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact):
- A. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
 - Isabel Vera
 - B. Elk Valley Casino - Elk Valley Rancheria:
 - Rudy Garcia
 - C. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
 - Connie Makepeace
 - D. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:
 - Solyta Peang
 - E. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:

See Yang

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 Consent Calendar items 13 through 19.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None.

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

Chairman Evans disclosed the items below to be heard in Closed Session:

- II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3):
 - B. In the Matter of the Application for Initial Key Employee License for Callaye Jo Strauss, (CGCC2017-0713-7G)
 - C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third Party Proposition Player Services Player License for Andrew Joseph Arellano, (CGCC-2019-0307-8C)
 - G. In the Matter of the Application for Initial Key Employee License for Callaye Jo Strauss, (CGCC2017-0713-7G)

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. *Callaye Jo Strauss v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2018-80002882)*
 - H. *Yavapai-Apache Nation v. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians and California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento Superior Court (34-2018-00238711)*
 - I. *Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)*
 - J. *Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)*

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K. *Larry C. Flynt, et al., v. Kamala Harris, Jim Evans, et al.; United States District Court, Eastern District of California (16 CV 02831 JAM EFB)*

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)
- B. In the Matter of the Application for Initial Key Employee License for Callaye Jo Strauss, (CGCC2017-0713-7G)
- C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third Party Proposition Player Services Player License for Andrew Joseph Arellano, (CGCC-2019-0307-8C)
- D. Consideration of Stipulated Settlement: Decision and Order In the Matter of the Second Amended Accusation and Statement of Issues Against: PRCCC, Inc. dba Paso Robles Central Coast Casino and Donald E. Ezzell (BGC Case No. HQ2017-00003AL; OAH Case No. 2018080180)
- E. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Player License for Keanu Quenga, (CGCC-2020-0109-15Ci)
- F. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Kevin Hwa, (CGCC-2020-0109-11B)
- G. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Jason Owen Snarr, (CGCC-2020-0109-13B)

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Evans adjourned the Commission Meeting back into Closed Session at 11:15 A.M. No further information was given.