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**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15-17, 2021
COMMISSION HEARING**

THIS HEARING WAS HELD BY TELE/VIDEO CONFERENCE

Pursuant to Executive Order N-08-21, regarding the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was held by tele/videoconference and there was no location open to the public.

OPEN SESSION

November 15, 2021

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Commissioners

Chair Paula LaBrie called the hearing to order on November 15, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call of Commissioners was taken, with Chair Paula LaBrie and Commissioners Cathleen Galgiani, Eric Heins, William Liu, and Edward Yee present.

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

A. In the Matter of the Application for Renewal of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Naseem Adel Salem, (GCADS-GEKE-001211)

Presiding Officer: Kate Patterson

For Applicant: Dorn Bishop
Jarhett Blonien

For Bureau of Gambling Control: Jeremy Stevens, Deputy Attorney General
William Williams, Deputy Attorney General

Witnesses: Francis Asuncion
Rosio Wagner

The Commission met in open session using video conference on Zoom to take evidence concerning Naseem Salem's suitability for licensure. Complainant's exhibits 1-12 and Applicant's exhibits 1-23 were admitted into the record. Both parties provided opening statements. Francis Asuncion and Rosio Wagner were sworn in and provided testimony.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

The Commission adjourned for the day at 4:30 p.m.

November 16, 2021

Chair Paula LaBrie called the hearing to order on November 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call of Commissioners was taken, with Chair Paula LaBrie and Commissioners Cathleen Galgiani, Eric Heins, William Liu, and Edward Yee present.

Witnesses: Rosio Wagner
Nathan DeValle

Witness Rosio Wagner's testimony continued and Nathan DeValle was sworn in and provided testimony.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

The Commission adjourned for the day at 4:52 p.m.

November 17, 2021

Chair Paula LaBrie called the hearing to order on November 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call of Commissioners was taken, with Chair Paula LaBrie and Commissioners Cathleen Galgiani, Eric Heins, William Liu, and Edward Yee present.

Witnesses: Charles Sento
Yolanda Morrow

Charles Sento and Yolanda Morrow were sworn in and provided testimony.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

The Commission adjourned for the day at 5:15 p.m.

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. *California Valley Miwok Tribe v. California Gambling Control Commission et al.*; San Diego County Superior Court (37-2017-00050038-MU-CO-CTL)

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- F. *Yavapai-Apache Nation v. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians and California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento Superior Court (34-2018-00238711)
 - G. *Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)
 - H. *Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)
 - I. *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)*
 - J. *Lucky Chances, Inc. VC Cardroom, et al. v. State of California, California Gambling Control Commission, et al.* San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-20-517086)
 - K. *Sutter's Place, Inc., dba Bay 101 v. California Gambling Control Commission*, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-21-517433)
 - L. *K. Harvey Souza v. California Gambling Control Commission*, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2096-80003287)
 - M. *Garden City, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission*, San Francisco County Superior Court (PF-21-517466)
- 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 Approval of Work Permit for Ivan Cruz, (CGCC-2021-0107-9D)
 - C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Supervisor License for Ricardo Gil Mendez, (CGCC-2020-1029-14Cii)
 - D. In the Matter of the Application for Renewal of Gambling Establishment Key Employee License for Naseem Adel Salem, (GCADS-GEKE-001211)

The Commission did not meet in closed session November 15-17, 2021.