

California Gambling Control Commission

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**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2023
COMMISSION MEETING**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11133, the meeting was held by tele/videoconference and there was no location open to the public.

OPEN SESSION:

1. Call to Order.

Chair Paula LaBrie called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken with Chair Paula LaBrie, Commissioner Cathleen Galgiani, Commissioner Eric Heins, Commissioner William Liu, and Commissioner Edward Yee present.

Licensing Manager Efren Zuniga gave ZOOM participation instructions.

3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:
 - A. November 17, 2022 – Commission Meeting

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Commission Meeting Minutes for November 17, 2022.

- B. December 1, 2022 – Commission Meeting

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes, with Commissioner Liu abstaining; the Commission approved the Commission Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2022.

4. Consideration of A) Initial Cardroom Owner Type License; B) Transfer of Shares; and, C) Initial Cardroom Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, 19852, and 19904; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):

A. Commerce Casino: California Commerce Club, Inc.
The Kathleen J. Dutchess Trust, Shareholder
Elizabeth Dutchess Benyeshay, Trustee, Beneficiary

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Cardroom Owner Type Licenses through March 31, 2023, with the following conditions:

The Bureau recommends that approval of the Trust be conditioned upon the trustee agreeing to comply with, and ensure that the following are enforced in the administration of the Trust:

- A. That any sale, assignment, transfer, pledge, or other disposition of an interest in a gambling enterprise, either to or from the Trust, be approved in advance by the Commission as required by Business and Professions Code section 19904.*
- B. That any successor trustee or co-trustee obtain and maintain a Cardroom Owner Category License as required by Business and Professions Code section 19852, subdivision (e) prior to assuming the role of trustee or cotrustee.*
- C. That any beneficiary who is to receive a distribution of an interest in a gambling enterprise from the Trust apply for and obtain a Cardroom Owner Category License prior to the distribution of any such interest.*
- D. That any custodian, conservator, or other person who holds an interest in a gambling enterprise intended for an incapacitated beneficiary apply for and obtain a Cardroom Owner Category License or finding of suitability as required in the discretion of the Commission pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19853, subdivision (a)(6).*

B. Commerce Casino: California Commerce Club, Inc.
The Kathleen J. Dutchess Trust (Transferor)
Elizabeth Dutchess Benyeshay (Transferee)

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu and Commissioner Yee, voting yes, the Commission approved the Transfer of Shares, with the following conditions:

1. *Legend on Stock Certificate. Approval of the transaction contemplated by the Trust is conditioned upon the transferee confirming in writing to the Commission, with a copy to the Bureau, within 15 days after the transfer that each and every certificate evidencing the shares has been legended in accordance with the provisions of Business and Professions Code section 19882, subdivision (c).*
2. *Additional Legend on Stock Certificate. Business and Professions Code section 19904 voids any purported sale or other disposition of a security issued by a corporate licensee that the Commission did not approve in advance. Approval of the transfer of shareholder interest from the trust should be conditioned upon, within 15 days after the closing, the transferee confirming in writing to the Commission, with a copy to the Bureau, that each and every certificate evidencing the Shares includes the following legend:*

THIS CERTIFICATE REPRESENTS SHARES OF STOCK ISSUED BY A CORPORATION THAT HOLDS A GAMBLING LICENSE PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE STOCK MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED, ASSIGNED, SOLD, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED, OR DISPOSED OF WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION OR ITS SUCCESSOR.

3. *Transaction Completed as Approved. Within 15 days after the closing, the transferee shall confirm in writing to the Commission, with a copy to the Bureau, that the transaction has been completed as approved by the Commission.*

C. Commerce Casino: California Commerce Club, Inc.
Elizabeth Dutchess Benyeshay, Shareholder

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Cardroom Owner Type License through March 31, 2023.

5. Consideration of Initial Cardroom Owner Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, and 19852; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):
Casino M8trix: Garden City, Inc.
Eric Forsberg, Chief Financial Officer

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Cardroom Owner Type License through February 29, 2024.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 6A and 6B were heard as a group.

6. Consideration of Initial Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):

A. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Worker: Daniel Trujillo

B. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:

Worker: Hao Wang

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker Licenses through January 31, 2025.

C. Global Player Services, Inc.:

Workers: i) Alexandra Gonzales

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker License through January 31, 2025, with the following condition:

Beginning March 1, 2023, and every 180-days thereafter, Alexandra Gonzales must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of ongoing efforts to satisfy the Collection and Charge-Off Accounts until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

ii) Francisco Paredes, Sr.

Comments Received From:

Francisco Paredes, Sr.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission referred the application to an evidentiary hearing.

D. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Workers: i) Karla Alanis Hernandez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker License through January 31, 2025.

ii) Anna Retizo

Comments Received From:

Anna Retizo

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission referred the application to an evidentiary hearing.

iii) Julian Trevizo

Comments Received From:

Julian Trevizo

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker License through January 31, 2025, with the following condition:

Beginning March 1, 2023, and every 90 days thereafter, Julian Trevizo must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control a status update regarding proof of ongoing efforts regarding the completion of their court-mandated classes until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 6E and 6F were heard as a group.

E. Players Edge Services:

Worker: James Miser

F. Progressive Gaming, LLC:

Worker: Richard Rico, Jr.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins,

Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker Licenses through January 31, 2025.

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

Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Supervisor: i) Larry Thomas, II

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Third-Party Supervisor License through January 31, 2025, removing the following conditions:

~~Beginning March 1, 2021, and every 90 days thereafter, Larry Thomas must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy his civil judgment until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.~~

~~Beginning March 1, 2021, and every 180 days thereafter, Larry Thomas must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy his charge-off accounts until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.~~

Worker: ii) Julio Martinez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Chair LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Renewal Third-Party Worker License through January 31, 2025, removing the following condition:

~~Beginning March 1, 2021, and every 90 days thereafter, Julio Martinez must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control a status update regarding proof of ongoing efforts regarding the completion of his court mandated classes and resolution of fine(s) until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.~~

8. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):

A. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Lukasz Paluszczak

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Chair LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through May 1, 2023, with the following condition:

Beginning March 1, 2023, and every 90 days thereafter, Lukasz Paluszcak must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy their civil judgment until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

- B. Agua Caliente Casino Rancho Mirage - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
i) David Heath

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 1, 2023.

- ii) Bianca Sarabia

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through January 1, 2024.

- C. Blue Lake Casino and Hotel - Blue Lake Rancheria:
Sarah Dunn

Comments Received From:

Sarah Dunn

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through June 1, 2023.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 8D through 8Fi were heard as a group.

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

- E. Cahuilla Casino - Cahuilla Band of Indians:
Allen Esparza

F. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:

i) Kevin Degn

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for Luis Rico Padilla through March 1, 2024, for Allen Esparza through October 7, 2023, and for Kevin Degn through November 23, 2023.

ii) Karissa Richardson

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through October 18, 2023.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 8Gi through 8Hi were heard as a group.

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

i) James Miller

ii) David Rios

iii) Alla Shut

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

i) Sandra Malfavon Alvarez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for James Miller through January 31, 2024, for David Rios through February 29, 2024, for Alla Shut through April 30, 2024, and for Sandra Malfavon Alvarez through January 22, 2025.

ii) Keith Prime

Comments Received From:

Keith Prime

Lisa Wardall, Assistant Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

Mysty Trejo, Staff Services Manager II, Bureau of Gambling Control

Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission

Dolores Olivarez, Deputy Director, Gambling Control Commission

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani,

Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through February 16, 2024.

- I. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:
Micah Osbun

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through January 31, 2023.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 8Ji and 8Jii were heard as a group.

- J. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:
 - i) Matthew Butler
 - ii) Nicholas Ricevuto

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for Matthew Butler through March 4, 2023, and for Nicholas Ricevuto through April 4, 2024.

- iii) Wili Solorzano

Comments Received From:

Wili Solorzano

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through October 8, 2023.

- K. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:
Niko Cazares

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through April 22, 2023.

L. Lucky 7 Casino - Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation:
Victoria Hanks

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Chair LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through July 20, 2023, with the following condition:

Beginning March 1, 2023, and every 90 days thereafter, Victoria Hanks must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy their civil judgement until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

M. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Mission Indians:
i) Mario Calderon

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through December 2, 2023.

ii) Gemar Fahd Pilapil

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 18, 2024.

N. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga:
Alejandro Pineda Vargas

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through May 31, 2024.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 8O through 8Q were heard as a group.

O. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
Steep Sythong

P. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:
Francisco Sosa

Q. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
Kraig Fuller

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Galgiani, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for Steep Sythong through September 24, 2024, for Francisco Sosa through April 4, 2023, and for Kraig Fuller through August 1, 2023.

R. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria of California:
Margie Jimenez

Comments Received From:

Margie Jimenez

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Galgiani, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 1, 2023, with the following condition:

Beginning March 1, 2023, and every 90 days thereafter, Margie Jimenez must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof of efforts to satisfy their civil judgement until resolved and proof of resolution is provided to the Bureau.

S. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Anthony Ochoa

Comments Received From:

Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Liu, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through November 7, 2024.

T. Yaamava' Resort & Casino at San Manuel - Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation:
Eric Tomsha

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Finding of Suitability through June 30, 2023.

9. Consideration of Additional Permanent Authorized Tables (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19841(p); CCR, Title 4, section 12472):

Hawaiian Gardens Casino: Hawaiian Gardens Casino (a California Corporation)

Comments Received From:

Keith Sharp, Designated Agent

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the request for 264 additional permanent tables, increasing the total permanent tables from 110 to 374.

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

Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Jisela Vasquez, (CGCC-2022-0922-11A)

Action:

Upon motion of Chair LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Default Decision and Order.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

Items on the consent calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be discussed, in which case it will be discussed separately at a later point in the meeting.

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

- A. Yeding Chen
- B. Bill Do
- C. Jayden Lach Keo

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

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| A. Lee Albrecht, Jr. | J. Max Popov |
| B. Alexander Bond, Jr. | K. Maiyang Saechou |
| C. Evan Evans | L. Mario Santos |
| D. Chun Hung Fan | M. Sharon Thomas |
| E. Philip Fang | N. Samuel Timothy |
| F. Vun Khor | O. Sum Vien |
| G. Ryan Koptke | P. Vu Ton |
| H. Joseph Lopez | Q. Michael Wilkinson |
| I. Donald Ly | R. Ran Xiong |

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

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| A. Club San Rafael: | Larry Rawson | |
| B. Empire Sportsmen's Association: | Jessee Vang | |
| C. Napa Valley Casino: | Chelsey Ginter | Elizabeth Twitchen |
| D. Outlaws Card Parlour: | Tanya Mueller | |

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

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| A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: | Daniel Loum |
| B. Napa Valley Casino: | Bopharoth Yos |
| C. Outlaws Card Parlour: | Suzy Shewell |
| D. Parkwest Casino Sonoma: | Nolan McCoy, Jr. |

15. Consideration of Initial Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):

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| A. 2 Kings Gaming, Inc.: | | | |
| Workers: | Maria Lopez | Christopher McDonald | |
| B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC: | | | |
| Supervisors: | Mark Lloyd Baylon | Anand Gangal | Jessica Meneses |
| Workers: | Stephanie Alfaro | Tirso Betancourt, Jr. | Marian Colbert |
| | Jose Cuevas | Tamara Dyachenko | Korri Glenn |
| | Victoria Islas Contreras | | Hoang Luong |
| | Emma Macias | Julie Ortiz | Thomas Philip |
| | Christian Rodriguez | Jitender Solanki | Onorata Tagomoa |
| | Tuaoloa Tuigamala-Sialoi | | Justin Whitmore |
| | Montrell Wilkins | | |
| C. F2 TPS, LLC: | | | |
| Supervisor: | Bryan Dominguez | | |
| Workers: | Rebecca Etter | Kevin Kong | John Derick Purificacion |
| | Greggory Woods | | |
| D. Faros Unlimited, Inc.: | | | |
| Workers: | Chan Nguyen | Markus Smith | Stacy White, III |

- E. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:
Workers: Ernesto Malicsi John David Reyes Xue Zhu
- F. Global Player Services, Inc.:
Worker: Keo Srey
- G. Halcyon Gaming, LLC:
Supervisor: Ricardo Jimenez
Worker: Jovany Trujillo
- H. KB Ventures:
Workers: Russell De Asis Anthony Iem William Keil
 Meggie Sengsavat
- I. KBCH Consultants, Inc.:
Workers: Geresten Bolivar Jose Rosas Dylan Silva
- J. Knighted Ventures, LLC:
Supervisor: Devan Jackson
Workers: Jessica Adams Yahya Algere Allison Baca
 Anthony Bachlani Katherine Brost Jared Cook
 Audrey Cordero Ravon Cummings Ahmad Farhad
 John Farley William Gessler-Byrnes
 Jawan Gulley Kevin Harris Zenobia Hernandez
 Quan Huynh Gus Quiel Lopez Allison John Lubuguin
 Cesar Martinez-Arevalo Rafferty Pegram
 Solo Phrommavongxay Loren Santos
 Gary Sherwood Devin Solis Alexis Soliz
 Paulina Soria Sosa Ramon Terrado Nathan Thomas
 Robert Van Vianen Nathan Velarde Enrique Verduzco
 Maggie Vo Mai Xiong
- K. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:
Workers: Esmeralda Diaz Matthew Leggett Bryan Romero
 Robert Williams
- L. Players Edge Services:
Workers: Jaime Ayala Nicholas Cutright-Ross Austin Eubanks
 Jason Hernandez, Jr. Christian Rouse Fostisha Ward
- M. Progressive Gaming, LLC:
Workers: Xifen Cao Ming Ming Gao Zhenqiang Huang
 Kexin Li Nan Lu Cesar Marquez Pasillas
 Rong Rong Hongnan Yang Jun Zeng
- N. Qualified Player Services, LLC:
Workers: Jose Cota Diaz Claudel Fernandez Steven Vo
- O. Workers: Junry Bolarde Muideen Ganiyu Thomas Gonzalez
 Prem Thapa

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

- A. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:
Supervisors: Jacob Harmon Ki Hong

- B. Commerce Group, Inc.:
Worker: Ashley Higgins
- C. F2 TPS, LLC:
Workers: Na Ear Lenen Lor Chau Nguyen
 Tien Phan Angela Yuen
- D. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:
Supervisor: Joseph Erickson
Workers: Miaoyun Huang Guo Zhang Lai Eva Yan
 WeiXiong Zeng
- E. KB Ventures:
Workers: Gregory Mayberry Christopher Press
- F. Knighted Ventures, LLC:
Supervisors: Bryan Afinidad Steven Amaral Gerardo Barrientos
 Michael Paglia Samantha Saeteurn
Workers: Guadalupe Alvarado Alejandro Cajiles Nelson Delgado
 Joshua Flores Daphne Han Anthony Magden
 Marvin Millora David Nwagbara Whitney Ransome
 Katy Suzuki Ian Trinidad Kanita Virojesangthong
 Frederick Young
- G. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:
Supervisor: Rachel Otterson
- H. Players Edge Services:
Supervisor: Phong Le
Workers: Christina Meas-Kim Crystal Vasquez
- I. Worker: Qi Rong Mai

17. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):

- A. Agua Caliente Casino Cathedral City - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Carlos Aguilera Carrillo
- B. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Otoniel Valdez
- C. Agua Caliente Casino Rancho Mirage - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Lorena Charolla Destiny Gomez Michael Johnson
Lamar Snyder Valeree Williams
- D. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Alexis Padilla
- E. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:
Michaela Dimapan
- F. Blue Lake Casino and Hotel - Blue Lake Rancheria:
Noah Faucette Ivey Starobin
- G. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:
Maulik Bhatt Lyssa Gomez Rajani Khadka Poudel
Christopher Medina Dipesh Niroula Salma Parajuli
Gregory Pitts Jagtar Sidhu Doyle Smotherman Jr.

- Muhammad Waseem Samnang Yath
- H. Cahuilla Casino - Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians:
Teresa Jakobs
- I. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
Joshua Ruhl Samantha Tomaino
- J. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi
Indians:
Jerica Gonzales Vicky Xiong
- K. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa
Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:
Nancy Anderson
- L. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:
Marquel Shields
- M. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
Nathan Darlington Simon Li
Yolanda Phillips Guzman Ruby Christie Ramirez Kishor Rimal
Jorge Rodriguez Sainz Pooja Shahi Sudarshan Thapa
- N. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria
of Maidu Indians of California:
Trevor Evans Shawn Kent Seang Kim
- O. Harrah's Northern California - Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of
California:
Tammy Bell Thomas Bettencourt Ethan Harper
John Rieger Jr. Phyllis Sellars
- P. Harrah's Resort Southern California - Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of
the Rincon Reservation:
Corey Damon Baotran Ly
Jenner Nacarino Lezcano
- Q. Havasu Landing Resort & Casino - Chemehuevi Indian Tribe of the Chemehuevi
Reservation:
Richard Larsen Sr. Tanya Snider
- R. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
Lisa Coy Trina Sanchez
- S. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:
Brian Bestler Ivan Gomez Real Sadeer Shaltan
Shanna Wiggins Tyrone Wiggins Jr. Luis Zapien
- T. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley
Rancheria:
Nicholas Mai
- U. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
Paul De Leon Marcel Huerta
- V. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala
Reservation:
Anthony Sanchez Dillon Vilaiphanh

- W. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
 Lolita Capili Connor Dillon Brandon Homan
 Christopher Woodruff
- X. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:
 James Barker
- Y. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
 Amrease Carter-Gomez Shaun Spillers Lavena Stewart
- Z. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:
 Maria Gregor
- AA. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
 Melanie Arviso Justice McKnight
- BB. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
 David Aviles Rosario Flores Oscar Juarez
- CC. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:
 Ricky Burton Tracy Halton Jr. Dominic Miana
 Gabriel Solorzano Manuel Villasenor
- DD. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:
 Mongkhonh Phichith Kevin Saechao Phox Thammavongsa
 Anthony Veloz Jr. Matilda Villafan Jim Xiong
- EE. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:
 Aaron Gomez
- FF. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
 Ken Chan Catheryn Garcia Suzette Gray
 Christopher Romero Hayden Slaugh
- GG. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:
 Jon Fallon Julie McCool Katrina Nguyen
- HH. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
 Omar Castro Morales Bradley Livingston Camille Mindanao
- II. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:
 David Kitchen Nee Nee Vilaylack
- JJ. Yaamava' Resort and Casino at San Manuel - Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation:
 Martin Ayala Richard Carcano Jason Gibbons
 Aurelio Medina Jr. Justin Nguyen Scott Ostash
 Liubov Petrova Graciela Zavala
18. Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):
 A. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
 Christian Barnickel Joka Maras
- B. Agua Caliente Casino Rancho Mirage - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
 Maria Bahena James Bott Randall Fink

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| | Kenneth Gomez Jr.
Dillon Lopez
Adrian Soria | Jennifer Gonzalez
Hazel Lucas | Stephanie Guzman
Joel Ramoran II |
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- C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:
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| | James Berry Jr.
Matthew McFarlane | German Castillo | Rick Gutierrez |
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- D. Black Oak Casino - Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:
- Aaron Uptergrove
- E. Blue Lake Casino and Hotel - Blue Lake Rancheria:
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| | Madison Crnkovich | Stephanie Underwood |
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- F. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:
- Dennis Cuddihy
- G. Chicken Ranch Casino - Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
- Christoph Phipps
- H. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino - Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians:
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| | Alberto Gonzalez Jr. | Yangthao Yang | Roberto Zarate |
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- I. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:
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| | Diana Cabrera | Peter Levasheff |
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- J. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
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| | Cipriano Ortega Jr | Tiffani Sahagun |
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- K. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:
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| | Brooklyn Armstrong | Rosalia Cepeda | Bart Masel |
| | Jose Vega | | |
- L. Golden Acorn Casino & Travel Center - Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Campo Indian Reservation:
- Armando Gallardo
- M. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
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| | Mariah Simao | Rajan Subedi |
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- N. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:
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| | Kenneth Cowan | Mary Phoong | Eric Schmieding |
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- O. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
- Frances Soto
- P. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:
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| | Casandra Manoff | Melvyn McGowan | Salam Zako |
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- Q. Konocti Vista Casino - Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria:
- Lawrence Green
- R. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
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| | Eric Avila | Karina Hok | Daniel Lynn |
| | Jodie Sanders III | | |

- S. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:
Christopher Adelman Joshua Billins Edward Blair
James Gillam Jr. Mireya Romero Cristian Salas Reyes
- T. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:
Summer Carbaugh Loukristiane Dasmarrinas Crisanto Eduarte Jr
Brian Iwaki Jonathan Lopes Abel Martinez
Thong Ngo Rickey Stephenson Jr. Danny Toma
Pathama Tuntakit Anoulom Vandyleuam Lourdes Yanga
Ilker Yilmaz
- U. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
Robyn Harrison
- V. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:
Vijayakumar Agadi
- W. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Shawn Benson Elizabeth Guizar
- X. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
Gerardo Romero
- Y. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation:
Marites Asuncion Glenn Barry Ernesto Fabrigas Jr.
Harold Johns Welat Mohammad Steven Peters
- Z. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:
Aimee Delano Ellie Delgado Jeniffer Fuentes
Neda Lee Oscar Salcedo Pao Yang
- AA. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:
Harvey Davis Jr Kathryn Estrada
Juan Villasenor Rodriguez
- BB. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
Jeffrey Vongnalith
- CC. Tortoise Rock Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
Nelvina Greene
- DD. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:
Sonya Bounphamaly Imelda De La Torre Renee Eusebio
Scott Liu Ricardo Wilson-Tirado III
- EE. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:
Clifford Baker Ruben Gutierrez Donna Hitzeman
- FF. Yaamava' Resort and Casino at San Manuel - Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation:
Phalla Chea Michael Chlebowski Le Vans Figueredo
Jesse George Brian Hebert Beonka Johnson
Ashley Lambert David Larson Yevgeniy Levin
Jose Martinez Michael Quintana Jonathan Raef

Debra Rodriguez
Antony Ward

Selma Sulce

Wallace Milton Uy

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Chair LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Galgiani, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar items 11 through 18.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

Chair LaBrie disclosed the items below to be heard in Closed Session:

- II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3):
- F. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability for Shin Lee, (CGCC-2022-0310-7Cii)
 - G. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Jisela Vasquez, (CGCC-2022-0922-11A)
 - H. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Accusation Against Scott A. Hayden, (BGC-HQ2014-0003A)
 - J. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Xiaojun Chen, (CGCC-2022-0623-7E)

CLOSED SESSION:

- I. Litigation (Government Code section 11126(e)):
- A. Eric G. Swallow v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2016-800002402)
 - B. Lucky Chances, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2017-80002549)
 - C. Yavapai-Apache Nation v. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians and California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento Superior Court (34-2018-00238711)
 - D. Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)
 - E. Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)
 - F. Elizabeth Flynt, et al., v. Rob Bonta, Nathan DaValle, Paula D. LaBrie, et al.; United States District Court, Eastern District of California (16 CV 02831 JAM EFB)
 - G. 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)
 - H. Harvey F. Souza v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003287)

- I. Garden City, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Francisco County Superior Court (PF-21-517466)
 - J. Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Valley Miwok Tribe, et al. and the California Gambling Control Commission; San Diego County Superior Court (37-2022-00012884-CU-BC-CTL)
- 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)
 - B. In the Matter of the Applications for Approval of State Gambling License for Fortiss, LLC, John H. Park Trust Under Declaration of Trust Dated July 18, 2012, Member, John Park, Trustee, Settlor, Beneficiary, Michael Vasey, Member, Chief Financial Officer, John Park, Manager, (CGCC Case No. CGCC-2020-0227-11A-F)
 - C. In the Matter of the Applications for Approval of Third-Party Provider of Proposition Player Services License for Knighted Ventures, LLC, Roy Choi, Managing Member, Jieho Lee, Managing Member, (CGCC Case No. CGCC-2020-0611-3)
 - D. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Marcos Samuel Cabrera, (CGCC-2022-0526-10B)
 - E. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Renewal Work Permit for Brandt Goodwin, (CGCC-2022-0210-8)
 - F. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability for Shin Lee, (CGCC-2022-0310-7Cii)
 - G. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Jisela Vasquez, (CGCC-2022-0922-11A)
 - H. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Accusation Against Scott A. Hayden, (BGC-HQ2014-0003A)
 - I. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Key Employee License for Eric Kenneth Cannon, (CGCC-2022-0609-4A)
 - J. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License for Xiaojun Chen, (CGCC-2022-0623-7E)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair LaBrie adjourned the Commission Meeting at approximately 11:41 a.m.