

Primary Location	Satellite Locations	
<p align="center"><u>Northern California (Sac)</u> California Gambling Control Commission 2399 Gateway Oaks Drive Hearing Room 100 (first floor) Sacramento, CA 95833</p>	<p align="center"><u>Northern California (SR)</u> Justice Joseph A. Rattigan Building 50 D Street Conference Room 410 Santa Rosa, CA 95404</p>	<p align="center"><u>Southern California (LA)</u> Carolyn Owens Community Center 13201 Central Avenue Chino, CA 91710</p>

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2023
COMMISSION MEETING**

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, and Commissioner Edward Yee present; and Commissioner William Liu absent.

Licensing Manager Andrew Cooper gave ZOOM participation instructions.

3. Consideration of A) Amended Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement; B) Initial Cardroom Owner Type License; and, C) Amended Lease-Option to Purchase Agreement (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19823, 19824(c), 19850, 19851, 19852, 19892, and 19900; CCR, Title 4, section 12054):
 - A. North Coast Casino: T&T Gaming, LLC (Seller)
Angles North, LLC (Buyer)

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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Amended Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement, with the following conditions:

1. *Legend on Certificates Evidencing Membership Interests. Approval of the proposed purchase and sale should be conditioned upon the Buyer confirming to the Commission within 15 days after the closing that the certificates evidencing the interest conveyed are legended in accordance with the provisions of Business and Professions Code section 19892, subdivision (d).*

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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission Denied the request to withdraw.

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. F2 TPS, LLC:

Worker: Shawn Hill

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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker License through September 30, 2025.

B. Global Player Services, Inc.:

Supervisor: Tawill Prentiss, Sr.

Comments Received From:

Tawill Prentiss, Sr.

Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission

Jason Pope, Chief Counsel, Gambling Control Commission

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; the Commission referred the application to an evidentiary hearing.

C. Supervisor: Erika Flynn

Comments Received From:

Lisa Wardall, Deputy Director, Bureau of Gambling Control

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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission Denied the Initial Third-Party Supervisor License.

D. Worker: Marcus Vasquez

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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission Denied the Initial Third-Party Worker License.

7. Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):
 - A. Bear River Casino Resort - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:
Bianca Gonzalez Ochoa

Comments Received From:

Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director, Gambling Control Commission

Action:

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

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 7B through 7F were heard as a group.

- B. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:
Edmond Shamouel
- C. Harrah's Northern California - Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California:
Rita Burley
- D. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Birenda Mudbhari
- E. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:
Pamela Her-Yang
- F. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:
Dat Luong

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, 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 for Edmond Shamouel through February 1, 2025, for Rita Burley through April 5, 2025, for Birenda Mudbhari through June 6, 2024, for Pamela Her-Yang through March 9, 2025, and for Dat Luong through September 30, 2025.

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.

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

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| A. Kyle Alegrete | P. Manley Macal tao |
| B. Olivia Anthony-Wood | Q. Charles McCormick |
| C. Southida Banos | R. Florencio Mesina, Jr. |
| D. Ralph Baude | S. Kian Nosrati |
| E. Marilyn Calceta | T. Thomas Rawlins, Jr. |
| F. Dustin Chase | U. Chauntel Recavarren |
| G. Evan Dangc | V. Soucheng Saetern |
| H. Roger Estrella | W. Erick Salerno |
| I. Joni Gimnicher | X. Ahmad Sarooghi |
| J. Michael Hafen | Y. Robert Schmitt |
| K. Shalin Hall | Z. Ljubomir Subotic |
| L. Bryce Hatch | AA. Nicholas Trahan |
| M. Dante Hicks | BB. Arthur Van Loon |
| N. Ngoc Hoang | CC. Sandy Vongthongkham |
| O. Sysavanh Inthongpradith | |

9. 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: | John Cheung |
| B. Napa Valley Casino: | Brogan McCabe-Inman |

10. 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: | Danilo Calpito, Jr. | Narin Kak | |
| B. Napa Valley Casino: | Thai Doan | Darin Loo | Sominea Meas |
| | Dany Vongsavath | | |
| C. The Nineteenth Hole: | Naixin Kang | | |
| D. Towers Casino: | Michael Friefeld | | |

11. 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.: | | | |
| Worker: | Michael Lopatic | | |
| B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC: | | | |
| Supervisor: | Ramon Peraza | | |
| Workers: | Andres Alvarado | Zaldy Ativo | Jayse Bebow |
| | Ryan O'Brien-Talbi | Jordin Olague | Justin Pham |
| | Hemant Sharma | Tan Truong | Danielle Watson |

- C. Commerce Group, Inc.:
Worker: Kyle Smith
- D. F2 TPS, LLC:
Supervisor: Bovannak Yous
Workers: Robert Laws Khien Prak Saul Rodriguez
- E. Global Player Services, Inc.:
Worker: Branson Hormozi
- F. KB Ventures:
Workers: Stephanie Gonzales Gerardo Arciga Da Qiang Xu
- G. KBCH Consultants, Inc.:
Worker: Linda Xiong
- H. Knighted Ventures, LLC:
Workers: Shawn Bacerra Felicia Bruce Ruth Carter
Parker Grube Marcus Liggett Deondre Page
Edwin Ponce Chun Lian Tang Aung Tun
Fong Xiong
- I. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:
Workers: Sidney Elias Steven Jensen Kayla Obeso
Zanobia Pernel Jordan Watkins
- J. Players Edge Services:
Workers: Michael Cai Joe Lopez
- K. Progressive Gaming, LLC:
Workers: Jenny Huang Guochuang Ju Meili Liu
Ruiduan Miao Jenny Pham Jin Tao
Chuong Tsan Simon Wang Tina Wu
Hua Zhang Riwang Zhong
- L. Qualified Player Services, LLC:
Worker: Vanhdy Sourivanh
- M. The Independent:
Worker: Jeffrey Bautista

12. 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:
Workers: Samantha Alcazar Alcala Emilinda Barbachano
Rosa Briseno Thuan Luong Isabel Martinez
Jeremy Matusow Nam Nguyen Adrian Ozuna
Analyse Reynaga Seth Shigg Nelia Simmons
Imelda Venturina Imelda Villanueva Caacbay
- B. CalProp Services, LLC:
Worker: Luis Raygoza
- C. F2 TPS, LLC:
Workers: Rajana Bonsynat Alexander Chheang Kennedy Go
Jayson Guloy Daniel Gutierrez Carias
Leon Lam Manuel Mones Phakdeiy Pho

- D. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:
 Supervisor: Mary Ann Villanueva
 Workers: Cau Chong Susan Chuang Ivan Garcia Sanchez
 Andrea Saragosa Hong Truong
- E. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:
 Workers: Haishan She Calvin Wu
- F. Global Player Services, Inc.:
 Workers: Zachary Hagen Britney Massa
- G. KBCH Consultants, Inc.:
 Supervisor: Tara Srey
- H. Knighted Ventures, LLC:
 Workers: Federico Baraldi Erlinda Chiong Enrique Chong
 Josef Faisal Jr Flores Nohemi Garcia John Ho
 Jordan Jones Neang Keo Shuk Lau
 Johannes Michailidis Westin Zwe Mun
 Sudip Panta Kevin Perez Pelcastre
 Fahm Saechao Yingzhen Zhang
- I. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:
 Worker: Ian De Leon
- J. Players Edge Services:
 Workers: Esperanza Boles Ira Davis Gyanmani Dhakal
 Senh Ha Kia Her Vannak Loch
 Chamroeun Orn Jonathan Quan Steven Zenteno
- K. Progressive Gaming, LLC:
 Workers: Walker Abbott, Jr. Irene Abrams Susan Bou
 Hung Chau Ge Xin Fan Jun Gu
 Sotheary Hong Fuzhen Long Thomes Phompakdy
 Rendy Som Guech Kong Taing Kelly Taing
 James Wang Huimin Xu
- L. Qualified Player Services, LLC:
 Supervisor: Frankie Platero
 Workers: James Forbes Glenn Kaboua Trisha Marisse Lagon
 Kheak Saysamongdy Steven Sok

13. Consideration of Tribal-State Compact Renewal Finding of Suitability as a Gaming Resource Supplier (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):

- A. Everi Games Inc.: Everi Games, Inc.
 Everi Games Holding, Inc., Parent Company
 Randy Lee Taylor, President, Chief Executive Officer
- B. Lightning Slot Machines, LLC: Lightning Slot Machines, LLC
 Lightning Gaming, Inc., Sole Member
 Brian Haveson, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director, Shareholder

Frederick Teece, Director, Shareholder
Donald Caldwell, Director, Shareholder

14. 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:
David Lawson Angelina Reyes
 - B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Eran Garcia
 - C. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:
Eric Figueroa Lyssa Gomez
 - D. Coyote Valley Casino - Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians:
Merry Earley
 - E. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
Jesus Alcantar
 - F. Elk Valley Casino - Elk Valley Rancheria:
Derek Snowden
 - G. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
Jonas Kuehl Christina Rawson
 - H. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:
Prakash Lamichhane
 - I. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
Amanda Maynard Taylor Visaya
 - J. Rolling Hills Casino - Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians:
Jesus Paniagua Soto
 - K. Running Creek Casino - Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake:
Krystal Honey
 - L. Sky River Casino - Wilton Rancheria:
Christopher Lee
 - M. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:
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15. 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 Cathedral City - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Rosa Lara Clinton Lowe Simon Sabido
Martha Sanchez
 - B. Agua Caliente Casino Palm Springs - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Joseph Bowie Jr. Jackelyn Cabacungan Michael Esquibel
Rene Estudillo Nichole O'Sullivan Nicole Sanders
Trevor Stairs Otoniel Valdez

- C. Agua Caliente Casino Rancho Mirage - Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
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| Louis Alvarez | Theresa Alvarez | Estephany Avalos Soria |
| Ronald Brown | Frank Charolla | David Do |
| Silvia Falcon | Ana Meraz | Ronald Olivares |
| Cherie Ringer | Zhi Hua Shen | Carolyn Siliezar Rodriguez |
| Corinna Smelcer | Anthony Soto | Mark Spino |
| Lauren Vazquez | Luis Vazquez Jr. | Concepcion Vivian |
- D. Bear River Casino Resort - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria:
Sarah Patterson
- E. Desert Rose Casino - Alturas Indian Rancheria:
James Walston
- F. Diamond Mountain Casino & Hotel - Susanville Indian Rancheria:
Augustine Mesubed Yvonne Redd
- G. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation:
Arnulfo Cardenas
- H. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:
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| Ryan Brandon | Paulito Candela | Mei Mei Chaung |
| Richard Clark | Ra Dim | Cassandra Elliott |
| Franklin Hollis III | Gary Kirby Sr. | Thao Le |
| Eva McCurry | Stephanie McIntyre | Shirly Niguidula |
| Jennifer Paredes | Sopheak Phoung | Rocky Poon |
| Elina Rai | Deborah Steele | Maria Vazquez Hernandez |
| XiaoTong Wang | George Zou | |
- I. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain - Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:
Thi Mai
- J. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:
Emily Cosson Valeria Fuentes Elizabeth Woods
- K. Lucky 7 Casino - Smith River Rancheria:
Cody Wortell-Bartley
- L. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:
Amin Ashraf Paula Murphy Margie Sahawneh
Choua Vang
- M. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:
Edward O'Connor
- N. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:
James Murray Justin Thompson
- O. River Rock Casino - Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians:
Russell Chitwood III
- P. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:
Kanya Vilaiphanh
- Q. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:
Francelida Fernandez

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

Dana Cahill Jr.	Ryan Criss	Karina Gallardo
Larry Halvorson	Justin Law	Cody Maccracken
Guillermo Mesina II	Katherine Saechao	Kou Xiong

S. Tortoise Rock Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:

Chyanne Androshak	Bonnie Corkery
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T. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:

Kathlene Self	James Wild
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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, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar items 8 through 15.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

None

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. Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2020-80003510-CU-MW-GDS)

H. Harvey F. Souza v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003287)

- I. 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)
 - J. Sutter's Place, Inc., dba Bay 101 Casino v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-51809)
 - K. Club One Casino, Inc.; Kyle Kirkland; Dana Messina; KMGI, Inc. v. Yolanda Morrow and the California Gambling Control Commission; Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000018)
 - L. California Gaming Association v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-518185)
 - M. Knighted Ventures, LLC, Roy Choi & Jieho Lee v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court
 - N. Fortiss, LLC, et al. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000050)
 - O. Dora Christina Brown v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000039)
- 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 Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services Supervisor License for Matthew Patrick Stearns, (CGCC-2022-0721-7C)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Chair LaBrie adjourned the Commission Meeting at approximately 10:50 a.m.