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MINUTES OF THE MARCH 7, 2024 COMMISSION MEETING

OPEN SESSION:

1. Call to Order.

Chair Paula LaBrie called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

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

Staff Services Analyst Zachary Smith gave ZOOM participation instructions.

3. <u>Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:</u> January 25, 2024 – Commission Meeting

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Commission Meeting Minutes for January 25, 2024.

4. Consideration of Initial and Temporary Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):

Halcyon Gaming, LLC:

Worker: Sean Kolstad

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Heins, seconded by Chair LaBrie, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Third-Party Worker License through March 31, 2026.

By concurrence of the Commissioner's items 5A and 5Bi were heard as a group.

- 5. <u>Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact; CCR, Title 4, section 12120):</u>
 - A. Agua Caliente Casino Resort and Spa Rancho Mirage Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation: Victoria Tweten
 - B. Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians of California:
 - i) Miguel Flores Jr.

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for Victoria Tweten through June 1, 2025, and for Miguel Flores Jr. through March 31, 2025.

ii) Richardson Rose

Action:

Upon motion of Chair LaBrie, seconded by Commissioner Yee, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission deemed the Initial Application abandoned.

By concurrence of the Commissioner's items 5C and 5D were heard as a group.

- C. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa Morongo Band of Mission Indians: Somphone Phiakeo
- D. Rolling Hills Casino Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians of California: Johnathan Larson

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Liu, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Initial Findings of Suitability for Somphone Phiakeo through March 1, 2026, and for Johnathan Larson through August 10, 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.

6. <u>Consideration of Renewal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):</u>

A. Darrin Bishop G. Tuan Nguyen
B. Michael Brown H. Janet Reynolds
C. Richard Garcia I. Pamela Rosa

D. Madelaine Jazmin J. Leonardo Soto Duarte

E. Tim LamF. Tony LeK. Samnang UmL. Nedy Warren

7. Consideration of Initial and Temporary Commission Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):

Outlaws Card Parlour: Carmen Macias

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

A. Casino Merced: Jerry Lee

B. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Kania Teung Ouk

C. Napa Valley Casino: Weinan Li Raul Ramirez Yi Yuen Teh

9. Consideration of Initial and Temporary Third-Party Proposition Player Services Employee Type License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, sections 12054 and 12128):

A. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Supervisor: Antonio Antonio Esteban

Workers: Joshua Flores Rishav Sharma Harshdeep Singh

Johan Tiefenbach Savannah Villalobos

B. F2 TPS. LLC:

Worker: Seyed Aliasghar Kamali

C. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:

Workers: Gabriel Laroussi Mccane Oung

D. KB Ventures:

Supervisor: Tumay Xiong

E. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Workers: Ryan Ahrari Mark Connell Kip Del Pilar
Marybeth Domurat Kennedy Enem Guogang Fan

Jeremi Federico Ophelia Hatsumi Maria Hernandez

Josue Hernandez Gamez Adolfo Jaimes Martinez

Saad Kazi Josette Kong Julia Laurel
Yangyang Liu Jack Lugliani Michael Miller
Brandon Misciagna Mogale Mokgadi Esmeralda Orozco
Cristina Otero Brandon Quinones Jonathan Rodriguez

Adrian Sanchez Andy Serrano Corado Minghe Tan Guillermo Tumambing River Vincent Yaxin Wang Brendan Ward Jianpei Zhu

F. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Workers: Jerrico Ballon Abigail Liberato

G. Players Edge Services:

Workers: Anna de Lange Daniel Javier

H. Progressive Gaming, LLC:

Workers: Ying Han Wei Huang Xiang Wen Kong

Suk Ming Lam Mei Li

I. Worker: Oscar Ramirez

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

A. 2 Kings Gaming, Inc.:

Worker: Anais Lobato B. Blackstone Gaming, LLC:

Supervisors: Raymond Garcia Jeanette Garcia Jacome Martin Lopez

Gonzalez

Ashlie Meas Erin Pulley Eric Sok

William Youngs

Workers: Melilani Johnson Hue La Annabelle Mallare

Ivette Medina Connie Wong

C. F2 TPS, LLC:

Workers: Daniel Calderon-Hernandez Adriana Leang

Kin Sok

D. Faros Unlimited, Inc.:

Supervisors: Shung Mok Hector Ruvalcaba

Workers: Shekima Bradley Ze'Quinton Landers Chaihua Liang

Garrett Turner Cheng Wei Lee

E. Fortune Players Group, Inc.:

Workers: Cindy Luong Hiu Wong

F. Global Player Services, Inc.:

Supervisors: Justin Dimalanta Martin Fletcher Workers: Penglu Liu Sergio Reyes

G. KBCH Consultants, Inc.:

Worker: Leticia Renteria

H. Knighted Ventures, LLC:

Supervisors: Myles Austerweil Jon-Paul Barbier Ricardo Calma, Jr.

Amitesh Chand Michael Duran Jaimi Lunn

Alexa Reid

Workers: Ryan Badillo Nashynda Brandon Isidoro Camacho-Vizcarra

Hoang Chau Kelly Davis Gregory Graves

Danielle Hakata Yuanbiao He Leon Kelly-Armbruster

April Lee Jian Lin Katie Lor Jared Mallari Anthony Menjivar Tina Murray Philip Nan Ly Ngov Peter Nobela

Brian Park Joshua Peregrina Gerick Rivera-Deras

Kiandra Roberts Angel Sanchez, Jr. Eric Stevens

I. L.E. Gaming, Inc.:

Workers: Ronald Esteban Jennie Nguyen Blake Slocum

J. Players Edge Services:

Supervisors: Michael Castelli James Khiev Lon Saechao

Sophar Sok

Workers: Cheryl Carvalho Thomas Ho Gao Vang

Staresha Williams

K. Progressive Gaming, LLC:

Supervisor: Pierre Asadi

Workers: Yong Yi Chen Wen Yan Deng Wenfeng Fan

Robert Granados Chunping Li Fu Yi Li Shijing Li Jing Lin Manita Ly Helen Ma Evelyn Moreno Boguang Rong

Glady Uy Chuanyan Wu Zhiqing Xu

Tebei Zhao Danny Zhu

L. The Independent:

Supervisor: Andy Jian Hua Xie

11. 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 Rancho Mirage Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians: Marcellus Omar-Joya
- B. Black Oak Casino Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:

James Britton Dakota Wagner

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

Logan Cosby Avery DeVey Ygena Gallegos

D. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:

Alberto Nava Jr.

- E. Eagle Mountain Casino Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation: Ignacio Arriaga
- F. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino Cabazon Band of Mission Indians:

 Marcie Michael
- G. Feather Falls Casino & Lodge Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians: Heather Steele
- H. Graton Resort & Casino Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria: Christopher George
- I. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sacramento at Fire Mountain Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California:

Rebecca Orozco

J. Harrah's Northern California - Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California:

Bryan Wright

K. Jamul Casino - Jamul Indian Village:

Christopher Pinto

L. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:

Jeffrey Durler Martha Munoz

M. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the

Pechanga Reservation:

Andres Aboytes Shauna Anton Jan Eric Cabello

Da Wei Tang

N. Red Earth Casino - Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:

Andres Barboza

O. Sky River Casino - Wilton Rancheria:

Timothy DeLugo Cameron Henderson Thuythang Le Lisa Lee Michael Paulson Zachary Steele

Yuping Tan

P. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:

Jeffery Inman

Q. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:

Ace Bresenio Charlotte Ruiz Linda Tep

R. Yaamava' Resort and Casino at San Manuel - Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation:

Eric Fabrizio

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

A. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Angelo Wilson Jr

B. Bear River Casino Resort - Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria: Judy Keisner

C. Black Oak Casino - Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria:

Melissa Troxell Mark Kaminski Logan Morgan

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

Matthew Bingham Priscilla Bagalay Ebony Black Jezeca Cuambot Amanda Fletcher Kevin Fung Michael Geving Felybituin Harlan **Andrew Harms** Susan Lua Andv Liu Maureen McManus Dilip Paudel Luis Rico Padilla Ngoc-Minh To

Nicole Vana

E. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:

Alvimar Bonaguro III Alexis Mendivil

F. Cher-Ae Heights Casino - Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria:

Cynthia Stockham

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

Wanphen Nameexai

H. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria:

Kevin Casebeer Sr.

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

Angie Lam

Anthony Pierce II

Lisa White

J. Golden Acorn Casino & Travel Center - Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Campo Indian Reservation:

Martin Casas Jr.

K. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria: Sean Paul

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

Mike Chao Katie Hoang Diem Le

M. Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians:

Linda Richardson William Thornton Kari Wood

N. Lucky 7 Casino - Smith River Rancheria:

Brian Sousa

O. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:

Matt Erickson Brian Henn Paul Hoffman

Jared Rusk Meng Wang

P. Pala Casino Spa and Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:

Ernest Wayne Freeman Jr. Yoa Tuy

Q. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:

Erik Becerril Shannon Simmers

R. Rolling Hills Casino - Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians:

Jennifer Castorena

S. Soboba Casino Resort - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians:

Mario Rios Jr. Kristina Simmons

T. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:

Rosa Corrales Jose Lomeli Milian Andres Lopez

Christine Ortega

U. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:

Mai Chang Thao Her

V. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:

Adrian Bella Victor Flores See Yang

Fong Yang

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

Nathan Banks Leanne Fraga

X. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians:

John Dunn

Y. Valley View Casino & Hotel - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians:

Bobby Alvarado Robert Coleman

Z. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:

Nee Nee Vilaylack

AA. Wanaaha Casino - Bishop Paiute Tribe:

Clayton Eddy Dexter Tsinnijinnie

BB. Win-River Casino - Redding Rancheria:

James Arnold Laine Hayward Toni Pondhopper

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Yee, seconded by Commissioner Heins, and carried in a vote by roll call with Chair LaBrie, Commissioner Heins, Commissioner Liu, and Commissioner Yee, voting yes; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar items 6 through 12.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

- 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. Manuel Corrales, Jr. v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Diego County Superior Court (37-2019-00019079-CU-MC-CTL)
 - D. Kris Kat, LLC and Steven C. Ayers v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003142)
 - E. 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)
 - F. 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)
 - G. Harvey F. Souza v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2019-80003287)
 - H. 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)
 - I. Sutter's Place, Inc., dba Bay 101 Casino v. California Gambling Control Commission, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-51809)

- J. Club One Casino, Inc.; Kyle Kirkland; Dana Messina; KMGI, Inc. v. Yolanda Morrow and the California Gambling Control Commission; Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000018)
- K. California Gaming Association v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-518185)
- L. Knighted Ventures, LLC, Roy Choi & Jieho Lee v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000051)
- M. Fortiss, LLC, et al. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000050)
- N. Dora Christina Brown v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, Sacramento County Superior Court (23WM000039)
- O. California Gaming Association and David Shindle v. California Gambling Control Commission, Bureau of Gambling Control, and Does 1-10, San Francisco County Superior Court (CPF-23-518317)
- 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 Initial Work Permit for Joel Michael Brown

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Chair LaBrie adjourned the Commission Meeting at approximately 10:14 a.m.