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# MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD RELEASES MARCH 7, 2017 REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

The Michigan Gaming Control Board ("MGCB") will hold its regular public meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at the MGCB Detroit office, Cadillac Place, 3062 West Grand Blvd., Suite L-700, in Detroit.

The agenda for the meeting includes the following items:

- A. Consider the Casino Audit & Enforcement Division's Recommendations Regarding Level 1 and Level 2 Occupational License Applications
- B. Consider Proposed Board Resolution No. 2017-01 Honoring Michael Watza
- C. Consider the Executive Director's Reports and Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendations Regarding the Pending Supplier License Applications of
  - 1. AGS LLC, Board File No. SL006918-17-001
  - 2. BBMK Contracting LLC d/b/a Blue Team Restoration, Board File No. SL006988-17-001
  - 3. Gardner Signs, Inc., Board File No. SL000334-17-001
  - 4. Sherwood Food Distributors, Board File No. SL006781-17-001
- D. Consider the Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendation Regarding Acknowledgment of Violation of Supplier Licensee
  - 1. Data Strategy, LLC, Board File No. SDA-2017-1
- E. Consider the Casino Audit & Enforcement Division's Recommendation Regarding Acknowledgment of Violation of Casino Licensee
  - 1. Detroit Entertainment L.L.C. d/b/a MotorCity Casino,

#### Board File No. CDA-2016-09

- F. Consider the Licensing & Investigations
  Division's Recommendation Regarding
  Acknowledgment of Violation of Casino
  Licensee
  - 1. MGM Grand Detroit, LLC, Board File No. CDA-2016-6
- G. Consider the Executive Director's Report and Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendations Regarding the Pending Transfer of Interest In
  - 1. Avanzado, LLC, Board File No. SL002977-17-002
  - 2. Comsource, Inc., Board File No. SL000364-17-002
  - 3. Data Strategy, LLC, Board File No. SL006293-17-003
  - 4. Del Bene Produce, Inc., Board File No. SL000620-17-002
  - Heldon Shoe Company d/b/a Red Wing Shoes, Board File No. SL000745-17-001
  - Sachse Construction and Development Company, L.L.C., Board File No. SL006640-17-001
  - 7. Suzohapp Gaming Solutions, Inc. f/k/a Happ Controls, Inc., Board File No. SL000543-17-001
- H. Consider the Executive Director's Reports and Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendations Regarding the Pending Supplier License Renewal Requests of
  - Aristocrat Technologies, Inc., with new Key Persons Patrick Joseph Ramsey and Sylvia Rusla Summers Couder, Board File No. SL000038-17-001
  - Bally Gaming, Inc. d/b/a Bally Technologies, with new Key person Kevin Michael Sheehan, Board File No. SL000003-17-001
  - 3. China Town Market, Inc., Board File No. SL004922-17-001
  - 4. Comsource, Inc., Board File No. SL000364-17-001
  - 5. Contract Design Group, Inc., Board File No. SL003690-001
  - 6. Data Strategy, LLC, with new Key person Keith Alan Grieshaber, Board File No. SL006293-17-001
  - 7. Eagle Star, Inc., d/b/a Eagle Star Equipment, Board File No. SL000593-

- 001
- 8. House Advantage LLC, Board File No. SL006175-17-001
- 9. Midwest Game Supply Company, Board File No. SL000167-17-001
- 10. Perich + Partners, Ltd., Board File No. SL006830-17-001
- 11. Reliable Landscaping, Inc., Board File No. SL000738-17-001
- 12. Renaissance Man Food Services, LLC, Board File No. SL004299-17-001
- 13. TCS John Huxley America, Board File No., SL001026-17-001
- 14. Thermal-Netics, Inc., Board File No. SL004555-17-001
- 15. Tom Maceri and Son, Inc., Board File No. SL000234-17-001
- 16. Tre Builders, LLC, Board File No. SL003423-17-001
- 17. Unique Linen Services, Inc., Board File No. SL001490-17-001
- Consider the Executive Director's Report and Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendation Regarding Suitability of New Key Persons of Casino Licensee MGM Grand Detroit
  - John Beresford Kilroy, Jr. and Robert Winston Smith, Board File No. MGM-2017-01
- J. Consider the Executive Director's Report and the Licensing & Investigations Division's Recommendation Regarding Detroit Entertainment L.L.C.'s Request for Approval of Debt Transaction and Related Requests, Board File No. MCC-2017-003
- K. Other Business

## MICHIGAN LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: INTERNET GAMING BILLS INTRODUCED IN SENATE

On March 2, 2017, a package of three gaming-related bills, <u>Senate Bill 0203 ("SB 0203")</u>, <u>Senate Bill 0204 ("SB 0204")</u> and <u>Senate Bill 0205 ("SB 0205")</u> were introduced in the Michigan Senate, all of which have been referred to the committee on regulatory reform. SB 0203 is similar to <u>Senate</u>

Bill 0889 while SB 0204 is similar to Senate Bill 0890, both of which were introduced in the Senate but died during the last legislative session. SB 0203 and SB 0204's main sponsor is Senator Mike Kowall (R-White Lake) and SB 0205 was primarily introduced by Senator Joe Hune (R-Hamburg). Notably, six sponsors of SB 203 and SB 204 currently sit on the nine-member Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Individually, SB 0203, the Lawful Internet Gaming Act ("Act") seeks to allow for the legalization, regulation and taxation of internet gaming. SB 0203 is tie barred with SB 0204 and is a one-page bill that seeks to amend the penal code to allow for gambling conducted under the Act. SB 0205 seeks to amend the sentencing guidelines for violations of the proposed lawful internet gaming act, a 10 year maximum prison sentence, and is also tie barred with SB 0203.

Notably, should the section authorizing commercial casinos the ability to offer this new type of gaming be found illegal or invalidated otherwise, the entire Act would be void.

## MARCH MARKS PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH

Throughout March, the National Council on Problem Gambling ("NCPG") will conduct its annual grassroots public awareness and outreach campaign to bring awareness to the general public along with healthcare professionals about the warning signs of problem gambling as well as the help that is available both locally and nationally. A full calendar of events and locations can be found on the NCPG website.

The State of Michigan also provides problem gambling resources to its citizens. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services ("MDHHS") maintains a 24-hour toll-free helpline if you or someone you know has a gambling problem. The helpline offers strictly confidential, counseling with trained professionals under contract with the MDHHS who coordinate the initial consultations, provide financial assistance information and oversee ongoing treatment of

clients when necessary. The helpline can be reached at 1-800-270-7117.

Also helping combat problem gambling, the Michigan Gaming Control Board ("MGCB"), with assistance from Detroit's commercial casinos, has developed a list of Disassociated Persons. According to the MGCB, participation in the Disassociated Persons Program is a completely voluntary lifetime pledge to never visit a Detroit casino.

### GUN LAKE EXPANSION TO BRING 100 New Jobs, Three Job Fairs

In light of Gun Lake Casino's expanding services, including a 20,000 –square-foot buffet, the casino will host three job fairs in early March. Over 100 new staff members will be hired to work in various areas such as Accounting, Food and Beverage, Slots and Table Games, and many more. The job fairs will be held on:

- Monday, March 6 from 10 am to 3 pm at Crossroads Conference Center in Grand Rapids.
- Thursday, March 9 from 10 am to 3 pm at the Radisson Banquet Room in Kalamazoo.
- Saturday, March 11 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Tribal Government Complex across the street from Gun Lake Casino.

Employee benefits are available, and job candidates can find more information here.