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Rich McClain, Commissioner

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1 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TAIT: Good afternoon.
2 I'm Executive Director Tait. I normally don't
3 start meetings, but I wanted to today because our
4 former chairman, Cris Johnston, resigned to join
5 Governor Holcomb's administration as the deputy
6 chief of staff.

7 The IGC is more than grateful to former
8 Chairman Johnston for his leadership and service
9 to the state, to the Indiana Gaming Commission.
10 His wise counsel and judgment were very valuable.
11 And we wish him the best of luck, and we know
12 that he will continue to serve the state well in
13 this capacity.

14 But today I'm also pleased to introduce and
15 welcome our new chairman, Mike McMains. Chairman
16 McMains is a semiretired health and business
17 lawyer and he is very active in several
18 charitable activities. He has a pharmacy degree
19 from Purdue University and received his JD from
20 IU McKinney School of Law in Indianapolis. He
21 began his career at Eli Lilly, and then
22 previously worked for Senator Coats from 2010 to
23 2017, first as a state director and then as his
24 senior counsel.

25 Mike and his wife Cheryl have three children

1 and five grandchildren, and they've been married
2 for 39 years.

3 We are so lucky to have him as our new
4 chairman, and we are very thankful that he has
5 agreed to serve the state in this capacity.
6 Governor Holcomb has described him as thoughtful,
7 hard-working and a man with great integrity.

8 So we are thrilled to welcome you, Chairman
9 McMains.

10 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Thank you, Executive
11 Director Tait. Thank you very much.

12 Good afternoon, everyone. Thank you for
13 being here, and welcome. I look forward to
14 working with the fellow Commissioners and our
15 staff and with all the members that have
16 interested matters that will come before our
17 Commission over the next several months.

18 Let's begin by calling our meeting to order.
19 This is the April 24th special meeting of the
20 Indiana Gaming Commission, and the meeting will
21 come to order.

22 First I want to take a roll call of the
23 Commissioners that are present today.

24 And Vice Chairman Fine.

25 COMMISSIONER FINE: Present.

1 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Susan Williams.

2 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: Present.

3 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Secretary Svetanoff.

4 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: Present.

5 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Sorry I butchered your
6 name there, Joe. I'll work on that.

7 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: No problem.

8 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Commissioner McClain.

9 COMMISSIONER McCLAIN: Here.

10 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: And Commissioner Saxon.

11 COMMISSIONER SAXON: Present.

12 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Thank you. Let the
13 record reflect that a quorum is present, and
14 we'll continue with our meeting.

15 Have the Commissioners had a chance to
16 review the minutes of the previous meeting?

17 COMMISSIONER FINE: Move for approval.

18 COMMISSIONER McCLAIN: Second.

19 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: It's been moved and
21 seconded that the meeting minutes as written for
22 the meeting that occurred on March 8, 2018, be
23 approved.

24 All the Commissioners in favor of the
25 motion, please signify by saying aye.

1 (Chorus of ayes.)

2 All opposed.

3 The motion passes unanimously.

4 Now, are there any matters of old business
5 that were before the Commission at our previous
6 meeting we need to discuss?

7 Hearing none, items of new business? I
8 believe that Counselor Dustin Mobley -- or, I'm
9 sorry, Moloy, I'm sorry, Dustin. I apologize for
10 butchering your name the first time as well.

11 MR. MOLOY: That's all right. Good
12 afternoon, Commissioners, Chairman.

13 You have before you Order 2018-62 regarding
14 the annual renewal of a casino owner's license
15 for Ameristar Casino East Chicago, LLC.
16 Ameristar has filed the proper paperwork and has
17 paid the required annual renewal fee.

18 Ameristar's license was set to expire on
19 April 14, 2018, but Executive Director Tait
20 issued an interim renewal to Ameristar to cover
21 the period between the expiration date and this
22 business meeting.

23 Additionally, by Order 2017-56, the
24 Commission approved the power of attorney for
25 Ameristar. This approval expires upon the

1 renewal of the casino owner's license. For that
2 reason, all casinos must request renewal of the
3 Commission's approval of the written power of
4 attorney concurrently with the request for
5 renewal, or present the Commission with a new
6 written power of attorney naming a new
7 trustee-in-waiting. Ameristar has stated its
8 intent to maintain the existing -- existing
9 trustee-in-waiting and has not presented the
10 Commission with any modifications to its power of
11 attorney.

12 At this time, Commission staff respectfully
13 requests approval of Order 2018-62 renewing
14 Ameristar's casino owner's license for a period
15 of one year.

16 Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN McMANS: Thank you, Counsel.
18 Commissioners, any question for counsel?
19 Is there a motion?

20 COMMISSIONER FINE: Move for approval.

21 CHAIRMAN McMANS: It's been moved.

22 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN McMANS: It's been properly
24 seconded that we approve the motion.

25 Any discussion on the motion?

1 All in favor of the motion, please signify
2 by saying aye.

3 (Chorus of ayes.)

4 All opposed.

5 Thank you. Motion passes unanimously.

6 MR. MOLOY: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN McMains: The next item on the
8 agenda I believe is from Ameristar, and Mr. --
9 see if I can butcher this name properly --
10 Shefflert?

11 MR. SCHUFFERT: Close. Schuffert.

12 CHAIRMAN McMains: Schuffert. Thank you,
13 sir. I'm sorry.

14 MR. SCHUFFERT: That's okay, not the first
15 person to butcher my last name.

16 Thank you, Executive Director Tait,
17 executive staff and Commission. My name is Matt
18 Schuffert. I'm the general manager at Ameristar
19 Casino in Chicago.

20 Today we are seeking approval to temporarily
21 move a portion of our table games to our ballroom
22 in a space on land adjacent to our casino during
23 the time period when we are renovating our
24 casino, so I thought it would be a good
25 opportunity to update you all on the progress of

1 our land-based high limit gaming room, which is a
2 project that the Commission approved last
3 November, as well as talk a little bit about the
4 details of our upcoming casino renovation.

5 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Sure thing.

6 MR. SCHUFFERT: So last November the
7 Commission -- we submitted a request to move our
8 high limit slot and table gaming space to land.
9 Construction on that space, about 15,000 square
10 feet of gaming space, started January 2nd. It is
11 currently under way. It is on schedule and
12 proceeding as planned to open to the public on
13 May 24th.

14 This space on land, which is near the
15 entrance to our riverboat, will have about 95
16 slot machines, about 14 tables, and we'll have
17 several dedicated amenities in the space,
18 including the cage, a players' club, a
19 full-service bar, restrooms and some food and
20 beverage amenities. So we're very excited that
21 that is on schedule, and, you know, we're excited
22 to get that open to the public here in about a
23 month.

24 Starting next week we are going to begin
25 work on renovating all four levels of our

1 casino -- of our casino. Work will start next
2 Monday, it'll be about a 17-, 18-week project.
3 We'll be working 20-hour shifts; our contractors
4 will be working 20-hour shifts in order to
5 expedite this project as quickly as possible to
6 minimize any disruptions to revenues or to our
7 guests.

8 The scope is pretty much -- it's almost
9 everything that there is on a casino floor from a
10 gaming equipment perspective, new gaming chairs,
11 carpets, ceiling, lighting, wall covers, new
12 FF&E, AV upgrades, surveillance upgrades, and
13 we're adding a restroom to our fourth level and
14 all of our restrooms will be remodeled.

15 So total project cost between the two
16 projects is about 21.2 million. As I mentioned
17 back in my presentation back in November, the
18 high limit project was about a \$6 million
19 project, and these further enhancements to our
20 casino floor are about a \$15 million investment
21 by Pinnacle Entertainment, so pretty excited to
22 begin that project next week.

23 This is a similar slide that I presented
24 last -- last November. This is a -- the layout
25 of our land-based high limit room. As you can

1 see, in the top left is some of the 14 table
2 games, and then as you make your way to the right
3 and down, about 95 slot machines. And like I
4 mentioned, work began on January 2nd, with a
5 scheduled opening date of May 24th.

6 The next couple of slides are some
7 renderings. This will be the entrance to the
8 high limit space as you see it walking from our
9 pavilion down our promenade. And then this is a
10 view of the space inside the floor.

11 This is pictures as of earlier last week.
12 And, you know, we're very excited, we're getting
13 great feedback from our guests and our nearly
14 1,200 team members. This is going to be a great
15 project for us and a great project for the
16 northwest Indiana gaming market.

17 So this is kind of a schedule of both the
18 high limit build-out, as well as the casino
19 renovation timeline. And the top two sections in
20 black represent the high limit build-out, and
21 then next week we will begin the -- the
22 renovation of our casino, next Monday.

23 As you can see, we've -- we've staggered it
24 out, except for level -- the lowest level, level
25 1. All other levels, 2, 3 and 4, will be done in

1 sections in order to minimize the disruption.

2 But if I could turn everybody's attention to
3 that period of July 16th through August 3rd is
4 when we -- when we're planning to renovate our
5 3 Aft, which is the back section of our third
6 level. This space today contains about 30 table
7 games, contains all of our gaming types such as
8 roulette, craps and certain carnival games.
9 During this three weeks is the period that we are
10 asking to bring about 21 of those 30 games and
11 put them into our ballroom in order to, you know,
12 minimize any kind of revenue loss or disruption
13 to our guests.

14 The proposal for that, like I mentioned, is
15 this three weeks starting on July 16th, moving 21
16 of those games. The next slide will show kind of
17 the gaming layout, and we have submitted
18 surveillance -- or drop route layouts and we will
19 obviously have the required surveillance coverage
20 in place, but this is a ballroom today that we
21 already host poker tournaments in three times a
22 year, three or four times a year. This will be
23 after the admission tax changes, so there's no
24 need to move any turnstiles. Our plan is to have
25 adequate security also not only at the bottom of

1 our escalator, because this is on our second
2 floor, but we will have security guards standing,
3 as we do when we run Heartland Poker Tournament,
4 poker tournament events, to ensure that no one
5 under the age of 21 gets into this. Security
6 will be also inside the room ensuring that, you
7 know, we have adequate coverage from a security
8 perspective. And then obviously we'll work with
9 local Gaming Commission agents to ensure that
10 proper surveillance coverage is in place.

11 This is the proposed layout that we are
12 proposing in the ballroom, about 21 games. In
13 the bottom left corner we will also have a cage
14 cashier in order for our guests to be able to
15 conduct those type of transactions in the
16 ballroom.

17 And, again, this is -- you know, when we --
18 when we laid out the schedule for the renovation,
19 we laid it out with the intent to not minimize --
20 to minimize disruption from a revenue
21 perspective, but during this three-week phase we
22 feel it's important to offer some temporary
23 gaming of these game types in the ballroom, so.

24 That's -- that's all I have to present. I
25 will certainly open it up to any questions that

1 anybody may have.

2 CHAIRMAN McMains: Thank you. Any questions
3 from the Commissioners, staff?

4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TAIT: I just have a
5 comment.

6 CHAIRMAN McMains: Go ahead.

7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TAIT: I just wanted to
8 thank you for making these two significant
9 investments in Indiana, and I certainly hope that
10 these enhancements prove to be successful, and
11 we're really excited for you guys.

12 MR. SCHUFFERT: Thank you for your comments,
13 and we hope so as well. Thank you for your time
14 today.

15 CHAIRMAN McMains: Thank you for coming.

16 Dennis Mullen.

17 MR. MULLEN: Thank you again, Mr. Schuffert,
18 for that presentation.

19 Good afternoon, executive staff,
20 Commissioners, and welcome Chairman McMains. We
21 look forward to working with you.

22 Commissioners, you have before you Order
23 2018-63. If granted, this order would provide
24 Ameristar with Commission approval to undertake
25 the temporary inland gaming facility that

1 Mr. Schuffert just described.

2 This request is made pursuant to Indiana
3 Code Section 4-33-6-24, which was enacted into
4 law in 2015. This provides the requirements that
5 must be met before a casino may relocate any
6 casino operations inland.

7 Those requirements include: The inland
8 casino must be located on property that the
9 licensed owner has owned or leased and used in
10 the conduct of the licensed owner's game
11 operations on February 1, 2015.

12 The inland casino must be located on
13 property adjacent to the dock site of the
14 riverboat.

15 The casino must comply with all applicable
16 building codes and any safety requirements
17 imposed by the Commission.

18 The Commission must approve the relocation
19 of the licensed owner's gaming operation, and the
20 owner cannot exceed the greatest amount of
21 gambling games it has offered in the docked
22 riverboat since January 1, 2007.

23 As detailed in your Commission documents, on
24 March 29, 2018, casino owner licensee Ameristar
25 East Chicago, LLC, submitted the request to

1 temporarily relocate approximately 21 table games
2 off its docked riverboat casino to an inland
3 facility.

4 As Mr. Schuffert just described, the request
5 to move these gaming operations inland was made
6 to accommodate the renovation of the third level
7 of Ameristar's vessel, the Winstar.

8 Ameristar's already taken advantage of
9 Section 24 once, as you'll recall approval was
10 granted last November for Ameristar to create an
11 inland high limit room. That project was
12 approved under Order 2017-212, and staff
13 appreciates Mr. Schuffert providing an update on
14 that project today.

15 As to the request currently before the
16 Commission, Order 2018-63, if approved, would
17 require that all conditions set forth in
18 Section 24 be met as the project moves from
19 planning to completion.

20 As an additional requirement imposed
21 pursuant to Subsection (d) of Section 24, staff
22 recommends that you delegate plan approval
23 authority to Executive Director Tait. This
24 condition is included in the order before you.

25 This will ensure that as the project

1 progresses, Commission staff will have authority
2 to review and approve numerous technical aspects
3 of the plan that may be premature as of today's
4 meeting, including, but not limited to, the time
5 frame of the movement of the gaming operations to
6 and from the temporary inland casino, the number
7 of gaming devices that will be moved, Ameristar's
8 surveillance plan, updated internal controls and
9 IT upgrades that may be necessary.

10 Following review of the documents submitted
11 by Ameristar, Commission staff now recommends you
12 approve Ameristar's request for a temporary
13 inland casino by approving Order 2018-63.

14 I'd be happy to answer any questions
15 regarding this order before you vote. Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: Thank you, Mr. Mullen.

17 Any questions or comments of Mr. Mullen?

18 COMMISSIONER FINE: Move for approval.

19 COMMISSIONER SAXON: Second.

20 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: It's been moved and
22 properly seconded that Order Number 63 as
23 presented by Mr. Mullen be approved by the
24 Commission.

25 All in favor of the motion, please signify

1 by saying aye.

2 (Chorus of ayes.)

3 Opposed.

4 Thank you. Motion passes unanimously.

5 MR. MULLEN: Thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN McMANS: Mr. Seigel, I understand
7 you have a presentation for us, sir.

8 MR. SEIGEL: Yes, I do. Thank you. Good
9 afternoon, Commissioners, Sara, Jenny, Greg.
10 Thank you for your assistance in arriving here
11 today, excited to share some details on -- on our
12 inland project.

13 And I'd like to first take a moment, maybe,
14 to go back in the Horseshoe's history so that you
15 can understand how we arrived here today.

16 So the property opened as Caesars Indiana in
17 November of 1998, and it did so as a riverboat
18 casino. Three years later in 2001, a 503 room
19 hotel opened on the property. A few years later,
20 2008, ten years ago, a \$50 million investment was
21 made to renovate the property and rebrand to
22 Horseshoe, and we've -- we've been operating as
23 Horseshoe Southern Indiana for the past ten
24 years.

25 A year ago right about now we completed a

1 \$14 million renovation to our hotel, touching all
2 503 rooms. And interspersed in time we've made
3 investments throughout our property, whether it's
4 in our casino, and most recently to our casino
5 bar named Envy or Jack Binion's Steak to our
6 restaurants, the Smoke & Rye and the buffet as
7 well. So we've made a lot of investments both to
8 the casino and pavilion and surrounding property.

9 And then also made investments in the
10 community, and we've done that primarily through
11 our two foundations, the Horseshoe Foundation of
12 Floyd County and the Harrison County Community
13 Foundation.

14 So now we're here today to take advantage of
15 making another investment into our property and
16 take advantage of the 2015 law that allows
17 casinos to move inland. And we are still in the
18 design phase, but looking to make an \$85 million
19 investment in our property to do so.

20 So as I flip to -- open to page 2, a few
21 details as highlights and then I've got a few
22 pictures that I'm excited to share with you
23 today.

24 So the contemplated proposal is to construct
25 a new structure, an 85,000 square foot building

1 that will be adjacent to our casino parking
2 garage. That will -- that new building will
3 connect to our existing pavilion. And the
4 pavilion in our terms is where our current
5 restaurants and retail operations are housed.
6 That will create a continuous gaming floor and
7 one -- one operating environment. And that
8 project is estimated to cost in the range of \$80
9 to \$85 million.

10 The benefit of that is it gives us a single
11 level, better optimization for us to operate in,
12 and even better for our customers to visit us.
13 It will -- it will allow for a much more
14 proximate location relative to our casino garage
15 and also to the hotel.

16 So as we look at timeline moving forward, as
17 I said, we're in the final stages of our design
18 and permitting and anticipate that will wrap up
19 here in this spring, and then we look forward, if
20 approved, to a groundbreaking in the days that
21 would follow all of those necessary approvals
22 either in June or in -- into the early summer of
23 2018, and all things going well, we would
24 anticipate an opening in the second half of 2019.

25 So a few pictures that I'm excited to share.

1 The first one is an existing -- existing
2 viewpoint from the sky, so it really highlights
3 our current layout and, you know, we encompass
4 right around 280 acres of -- of land. And at the
5 top center you can see our existing hotel, and
6 right below that the hotel parking garage, and
7 then bottom center is our current riverboat.

8 And if you can see over to the -- to the
9 right-hand side of this picture is the
10 existing -- the existing casino parking garage,
11 and there's some empty land in between that, and
12 that's where we are proposing to build our new
13 casino.

14 So rather than words, I think a picture will
15 say it a little better, so a -- kind of an aerial
16 perspective of what we are contemplating, and I
17 think this shows you the view with that space
18 right adjacent to the casino parking garage
19 filled in with a new -- with the new building
20 that I described, being an 85,000 square foot
21 building, and connecting to our existing facility
22 to take advantage of the great property that --
23 that we have -- that we have there.

24 So as mentioned, you know, that will
25 obviously dramatically cut down on walk times

1 both from -- from car to casino or hotel to
2 casino, which is something that we commonly hear
3 from -- from our guests.

4 So one more view from -- from the outside, a
5 street level view, you know, on the ground level.
6 This is the new building, and you can see some
7 cars rolling in, that will be our valet dropoff,
8 and then everything is elevated on this property
9 given our location right near the Ohio River.

10 One thing you'll notice in this -- in this
11 drawing is windows, so natural light is something
12 that we will introduce and bring into our
13 building, which will be I think a refreshing and
14 positive change for -- for the feel across the
15 property.

16 If we step inside, so here's a view from the
17 entry. Again, a little bit of natural light and
18 new, fresh, modern design.

19 I think I'd point out for us on the
20 riverboat, the difference here will be high
21 ceilings and we will introduce a state-of-the-art
22 ventilation system to move clean air throughout
23 the building, which I think will be -- which will
24 work great.

25 Flipping to the next page, another --

1 another view of the interior. You know, this
2 slide is featuring a round bar, which we will --
3 have not so creatively named here, but will in
4 our future iterations, but this is another point
5 of entry from -- from valet. It will back up to
6 our showroom. Our showroom is a multi-purpose
7 room where we'll host concerts, in the range of
8 1,300 to 1,800 guests can attend, music concerts,
9 and we will also use it for -- for banquets and
10 meeting space as well as VIP events.

11 And then, finally, the last rendering that I
12 would like to show you today is of that from our
13 high limit gaming room, so this will be a room
14 primarily for our VIP guests featuring slot
15 machines and table games, again, with a fresh,
16 modern feel inside it, and -- and something that
17 we're excited to -- to add as a -- as a
18 complement to the rest of this new facility.

19 So currently the Horseshoe has 1,300 team
20 members, and I think this will be an exciting and
21 great venture for our Horseshoe team and
22 something that -- that, if approved today, I'm
23 excited and anticipate the project beginning over
24 the course of the next 60 days.

25 And that is my prepared remarks. I would

1 welcome any questions.

2 CHAIRMAN McMains: Thank you, sir.

3 Questions or comments?

4 COMMISSIONER FINE: What's your elevation
5 going to be when you locate on the ground?

6 MR. SEIGEL: Well, everything is built up
7 about 30 feet today, so that would be our
8 existing pavilion level, and this will fold right
9 into that existing environment, so water could
10 still -- you know, in the case of what we
11 encountered in February and into early March, the
12 river would still be on the ground level and
13 that's street level. We won't affect that, but
14 our interior building will not be affected.

15 COMMISSIONER FINE: So is there an elevation
16 where the water could be that you think would
17 be -- you could project and say you could still
18 operate at a particular water level that is
19 beyond what it is today?

20 MR. SEIGEL: There probably would be an
21 elevation level, but the complicating factor for
22 us is that the main road that leads to the
23 property, Highway 111, which is about eight miles
24 from -- from where we are into -- into New
25 Albany, takes on water at some of those lower

1 elevations, and so while there could be something
2 on our property, once the road closes, it has
3 obviously a dramatic effect on us.

4 CHAIRMAN McMains: Any other questions?

5 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: As I'm looking at
6 these two aerial views, it appears that you're
7 going to be demolishing, or am I -- are you just
8 adding on to some of these older buildings?

9 MR. SEIGEL: Yeah, there will be both
10 additions, there will be the addition of a new
11 85,000 square foot building, and so that will --
12 that will require a limited amount of demolition,
13 and then we will adjoin that building to the
14 current building, so the exterior wall that
15 exists today will be demolished, but the
16 structure will -- will remain intact.

17 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: Okay. Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN McMains: Any further questions?

19 MS. RESKE: May I make a statement on behalf
20 of staff?

21 CHAIRMAN McMains: Yes, ma'am.

22 MS. RESKE: Bradley, we'd like to
23 congratulate you on getting this approved. We
24 know you've worked on it for a long time. We
25 welcome the investment here in Indiana. We

1 appreciate your advocacy for the project. And,
2 Danita, I think you deserve a lot of credit as
3 well for taking this up to corporate and getting
4 it approved. We think it's going to make a huge
5 difference in the convenience of the property and
6 we know that revenues follow.

7 And more important than that, I think, is as
8 people are able to connect more to the amenities,
9 perhaps employment will rise as well over time.

10 So we just as a staff want to let you know
11 we so much appreciate that you're spending the
12 money in Indiana, and if you could express to
13 your colleagues at corporate how much we welcome
14 this investment, and we realize that you beat out
15 a lot of other properties competing for projects
16 as well, but we're very grateful and we're
17 excited.

18 MR. SEIGEL: Thank you, Jenny.

19 CHAIRMAN McMANS: Thank you very much, sir.

20 MR. SEIGEL: Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN McMANS: Mr. Mullen.

22 MR. MULLEN: Yes, sir. And thank you
23 again, Mr. Seigel, for that presentation.

24 Commissioners, you now have before you Order
25 2018-64. If granted, this order would provide

1 Caesars and Horseshoe Southern Commission
2 approval to undertake the inland casino projects
3 just described by Mr. Seigel.

4 Just as our previous order, Indiana Code
5 Section 4-33-6-24 provides the conditions that
6 must be met before a casino may relocate any
7 casino operations inland. I won't rehash those
8 at this time, but certainly if there's questions,
9 I'd be happy to answer any.

10 The background as provided in the Commission
11 documents is that on April 3, 2018, casino owner
12 licensee Caesars Riverboat Casino, LLC, doing
13 business as Horseshoe Casino Hotel Southern
14 Indiana, submitted its request to relocate its
15 docked riverboat casino inland. As mentioned in
16 Mr. Seigel's presentation, the inland casino is
17 anticipated to be a 85,000 square foot facility
18 at an estimated cost between \$80 and 85 million.
19 The opening of the inland casino is expected to
20 take place sometime in the second half of 2019.

21 Order 2018-64, if approved, would require
22 that all conditions set forth in Section 24 be
23 met as the project moves from planning to
24 construction all the way through to completion
25 and opening.

1 Again, as an additional requirement imposed
2 pursuant to Subsection (d) of Section 24, staff
3 recommends you delegate plan approval authority
4 to Executive Director Tait.

5 This condition is included in the order
6 before you, and, again, this is to make sure that
7 as the plan progresses, it does so efficiently as
8 we deal with issues like the construction plan,
9 the time frame of the movement of gaming
10 operations, the plan for casino layout, including
11 security, the cage, soft count room, table game
12 and electronic gaming device location.

13 Commission staff has reviewed the documents
14 submitted by Horseshoe Southern and recommends
15 you approve their request by approving Order
16 2018-64.

17 I'd be happy to answer any questions that
18 you might have. Thank you.

19 CHAIRMAN McMANS: Thank you. Are there any
20 questions, comments? What's the board's
21 pleasure?

22 COMMISSIONER FINE: Move for approval.

23 COMMISSIONER SVETANOFF: Second.

24 COMMISSIONER McCLAIN: Second.

25 CHAIRMAN McMANS: The Commission has moved

1 and approved, that's by second, the Order Number
2 64 as presented by Mr. Mullen.

3 All in favor, please signify by saying aye.

4 (Chorus of ayes.)

5 Opposed.

6 Passed unanimously. Thank you, sir.

7 The board's -- or the Commission's next
8 meeting, rather, will be June 28, 2018. The time
9 and location will be announced when it's fully
10 been determined.

11 I want to take a moment as -- as a new
12 member of the Commission, new member of this
13 room, to particularly thank our staff, and most
14 specifically Executive Director Tait, Assistant
15 Director Reske and Counsel Small, who have been
16 really helpful for me to get up to speed and
17 obviously do a terrific job in what they do, so
18 thank you very much.

19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TAIT: Thank you.

20 MS. RESKE: Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN McMains: Is there any further
22 business to come before the Commission today?

23 Is there a motion to adjourn?

24 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: So move.

25 COMMISSIONER FINE: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN McMAINS: So moved, seconded.
2 All in favor, please signify by saying aye.
3 (Chorus of ayes.)
4 The meeting is adjourned. Thank you, ladies
5 and gentlemen.

6 (At 3:14 p.m., April 24, 2018, this meeting
7 of the Indiana Gaming Commission was adjourned.)
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1 STATE OF INDIANA)
 2) SS:
 3 COUNTY OF MARION)

4 I, Dianne D. Lockhart, a Notary Public and
 5 Stenographic Reporter within and for the County of
 6 Marion, State of Indiana at large, do hereby certify
 7 that the Indiana Gaming Commission Business Meeting
 8 held on April 24, 2018, commencing at 2:40 p.m. at
 9 the Indiana State Library, Historical Reference Room,
 10 315 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, was
 11 taken down in stenograph notes and afterwards reduced
 12 to typewriting under my direction, and that the
 13 typewritten transcript is a true record of the
 14 proceedings had.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
 16 and affixed my notarial seal this 3rd day of
 17 May, 2018.

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 20 N O T A R Y P U B L I C

21 My Commission Expires:
 22 June 4, 2023

23 County of Residence:
 24 Marion County
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