# **Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission**

Minutes of Public Session June 26, 2025

# PUBLIC SESSION

# I. Call to Order

Chair Armstrong called the June 26, 2025, meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission to order at 9:23 a.m. MDT virtually via Zoom. Commissioners Tipton and Workman were present, and a quorum existed. Commissioner Hyland was excused for good cause.

Officials & Administrators in Attendance (all via Zoom) Kevin Armstrong, Commissioner/Chair John Tipton, Commissioner Phil Workman, Commissioner Michael Phibbs, Senior Director, Specialized Business Group Christopher Schroder, Director Kirsten Gregg, Chief of Investigations Allen Hiserodt, Chief of Sports Betting Kenya Collins, Director of Administration Bradford Jones, Senior Assistant Attorney General Torrey Samson, Senior Assistant Attorney General Paul Hogan, Chief Auditor J. Wolff, Agent in Charge, Central City/Black Hawk Andrew Fulton, Agent in Charge, Sports Betting Dane Albin, Agent in Charge, Cripple Creek John Madruga, Agent in Charge, Background Unit Breanne Nolan, Executive Assistant, Secretary to CLGCC

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commission voted unanimously to go into Executive Session pursuant to sections 24-6-402(3)(a)(III), 44-30-521(1)(a), 44-30-526(1)(d), and 44-30-1507 of the Colorado Revised Statutes following a public vote by the Commission to enter into executive session in order to review confidential background licensing reports that are scheduled for consideration in the Public Session.

Due to technical difficulties, the Executive Session was moved to a Google Meet session instead of Zoom. The Executive Session was called to order by Chair Armstrong at 9:47 a.m. MDT.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. MDT.

#### PUBLIC SESSION (RECONVENED)

The Public Session was called back to order by Chair Armstrong at 10:12 a.m. MDT.

The Commission used its discretion to take agenda items out of order.

# **IV. Consideration of Limited Gaming Financial Statements for April 2025**

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Statement of Gaming Revenues, Gaming Taxes, and Expenditures (unaudited) for the ten months ending on April 30, 2025, and to authorize its distribution.

# V. Consideration of Division Sports Betting Financial Statement for April 2025

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Statement of Sports Betting Revenues, Taxes, and Expenditures (unaudited) for the ten months ending on April 30, 2025, and to authorize its distribution.

# **II.** Approval of Licensing Actions

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Retail and Master Licenses for Ed and Shirley's, Inc. d/b/a The Wild Card Saloon; Sasquatch Casino, LLC d/b/a Sasquatch Casino; CASINO HOLDINGS, INC. d/b/a Brass Ass Casino; HOLLAND VENTURES, INC. d/b/a J.P. McGill's Hotel & Casino; MIDNIGHT ROSE HOTEL & CASINO, INC. d/b/a Midnight Rose Hotel & Casino; and The Lodge Casino, LLC d/b/a The Lodge Casino at Black Hawk. These Retail and Master licenses will expire two years from their current dates of expiration. (Note: the renewal of the Gilpin Casino, LLC d/b/a the Gilpin Hotel Casino's retail and master licenses was listed on the public agenda; however, the Commission previously renewed the Gilpin Casino, LLC d/b/a the Gilpin Hotel Casino's licenses during its April 2025 meeting and therefore did not address the matter).

The issuance of the above Master licenses does not concurrently grant approval to entities or individuals with whom these licensees have entered into, or considered entering into contracts for sports betting operations or internet sports betting operations; nor does it preclude any entities or individuals from being called forward by the Division to conduct a comprehensive background investigation regarding their suitability to operate in Colorado.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Manufacturer/Distributor Licenses for Sasquatch Casino, LLC d/b/a Sasquatch Casino; MIDNIGHT ROSE HOTEL & CASINO, INC. d/b/a Midnight Rose Hotel & Casino; and The Lodge Casino, LLC d/b/a The Lodge Casino at Black Hawk. These Manufacturer/Distributor Licenses will expire two years from their current dates of expiration.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Associated Equipment Supplier License for Galaxy Gaming, Inc. This Associated Equipment Supplier License will expire two years from its current date of expiration.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the First Associated Equipment Supplier License for OPTX SOLUTIONS, LLC. This Associated Equipment Supplier License will expire two years from its date of issuance. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the first Manufacturer/Distributor and Operator Licenses for Dynamic Gaming Solutions, LLC. These First Manufacturer/Distributor and Operator Licenses shall expire two years from their dates of issuance.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Internet Sports Betting Operator license for Circa Sports Colorado LLC d/b/a Circa Sports Colorado. This Internet Sports Betting Operator license will expire two years from its current date of expiration.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the reissuance of the Temporary Vendor Major License for Genius Sports Media, Inc. This Vendor Major license will expire two years from its current date of expiration.

In accordance with Commission Policy 24-01, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the First issuance and Renewal of the Vendor Minor Licenses listed in the Consent Agenda in the June 2025 public packet. These Vendor Minor Licenses shall expire two years from their current dates of issuance or expiration.

# III. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Commission

The Chair gave anyone from the public the opportunity to address the Commission on any item that did not appear on the agenda.

Ed Smith, Owner, The Wildcard Saloon & Sasquatch Casino, thanked the Commission for its licensing of their properties for the past 35 years.

Jamie Glick, President, Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado, gave updates regarding the PGCC's Problem Gambling Center relocation, as well as the new gambling counselor Master's program at the University of Denver.

Larry Hill, CEO, Triple Crown Casinos, emphatically thanked the Commission for the renewal of the licenses for the Midnight Rose Hotel & Casino.

# VI. Consideration of the Stipulation and Agreement in the Matter of Crown CO Gaming, LLC d/b/a DraftKings – Case No. DOG24-004464

In the interest of time due to Commissioner availability, the Consideration of the Stipulation and Agreement in the Matter of Crown CO Gaming, LLC d/b/a DraftKings – Case No. DOG24-004464 was tabled until the July 17, 2025, meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission.

# VII. Consideration of the Stipulation and Agreement in the Matter of Crown CO Gaming, LLC d/b/a DraftKings – Case No. DOG25-001965

In the interest of time due to Commissioner availability, the Consideration of the Stipulation and Agreement in the Matter of Crown CO Gaming, LLC d/b/a DraftKings – Case No. DOG25-001965 was tabled until the July 17, 2025, meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission.

# VIII. Clarification Regarding the Fiscal Year 2026 Sports Betting Operator License Fee

Torrey Samson, Senior Assistant Attorney General clarified that the Commission had voted to maintain the fiscal year 2025 Sports Betting Operator License fee, which was \$11,700. She explained that a typographical error was listed in the memo from the fiscal year 2026 budget request presented at the May 22, 2025, meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Commission. She stated that the memo had listed the Sports Betting Operator License Fee as \$11,000; however, the licensing fee that was approved as of July 1, 2024 was \$11,700. So, because the Commission had voted to maintain the Sports Betting Operator License fee, the fiscal year 2026 Sports Betting Operator License fee is \$11,700.

### IX. Consideration of Organizational Matters

### Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the April 17, 2025, and May 22, 2025, public sessions of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission were tabled until the July 2025 meeting.

### **Directors** Updates

Christopher Schroder, Director, Division of Gaming, stated that Chair Armstrong's term was ending on July 1, 2025. He thanked Chair Armstrong for his valuable contributions and leadership as a member of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission.

Chair Armstrong stated that it was an honor to represent the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission, as well as the residents and gaming industry of Colorado.

Commissioners Tipton and Workman thanked Chair Armstrong for his service and leadership to the Commission.

# X. Adjournment

The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the June 26, 2025, meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission at approximately 10:33 a.m. MDT.

Breanne Nolan, Secretary to the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission