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10	BEFORE: Mike Leara, Chairman Pat Conway, Commissioner		
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12	Jan M. Zimmerman, Commissioner		
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1 (Start time: 9:30 a.m.) 2 PROCEEDINGS 3 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We will call the meeting of 4 the Missouri Gaming Commission to order. 5 Angie, please call the roll. 6 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara. 7 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Present. 8 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway. COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Present. 9 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane. 10 11 COMMISSIONER HANE: Present. MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman. 12 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Present. 13 14 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All right. The first item is adoption of the agenda. 15 16 I move for the approval. Is there a second? 17 COMMISSIONER HANE: Second. CHAIRMAN LEARA: Second, Mr. Hane. 18 19 Any discussion on the agenda? 20 Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll. MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara. 21 22 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved. 23 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway. COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved. 24

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.

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- 1 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 2 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 3 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 4 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted the
- 5 agenda.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item is team
- 7 member recognition.
- 8 Tim, will that be you?
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR MCGRAIL: Yes, sir.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All right. You have the
- 11 floor.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR MCGRAIL: Thank you.
- Good morning, Commissioners. We're wanting
- 14 to recognize one of our team members that have their
- 15 five-year milestone that they hit.
- 16 So if I could have Jason Eddy to come
- 17 forward.
- 18 Some of you may recognize at least the name.
- 19 You'll at least get to be able to see the face.
- 20 Jason is in our policy section. Many times
- 21 he's handling as far as the ICs that come in from the
- casinos, as well as handling variances at times, and
- 23 he's helping and assisting, at least the section does,
- 24 and Jason does a lot of time with rewrites, especially
- like what we're working on right now with the cashless

- 1 rewrite.
- 2 So again we want to recognize him for his
- 3 five years with us.
- 4 He's also kind of one of our resident cooks,
- 5 so we rely on Jason, and many times our IT people as
- 6 well, whenever we decide that we're going to have a
- 7 barbecue or a chili cookoff or anything like that. So
- 8 he's always willing to step in and help, and he does a
- 9 good job as far as with the barbecue. So it's good to
- 10 have someone like him around whenever that is going on.
- 11 So again, in recognition of his five years
- of dedicated service with us, we'd like to recognize
- 13 him today.
- 14 So congratulations.
- 15 (Applause.)
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR MCGRAIL: And briefly I too
- 17 would like to recognize -- Captain Larry Plunkett is
- 18 back from time that he's been separated with us, and I
- 19 recognize him in the audience, so to recognize him as
- 20 well.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Welcome back.
- 22 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Welcome back.
- 23 (Applause.)
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Thank you.
- Jason, thank you.

- 1 All right. The next item on the agenda,
- 2 consideration of minutes from September 28.
- I will move for the approval of the minutes.
- 4 Is there a second?
- 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We have a second.
- 7 Any discussion on the minutes?
- 8 Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll.
- 9 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- 11 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 12 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 16 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 17 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted the
- minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item is the
- 20 approval of the minutes from September 29 of last
- 21 month, and I move for the approval. Is there a second?
- 22 COMMISSIONER HANE: Second.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Second, Mr. Hane.
- 24 Any discussion?
- Seeing none, Angie.

- 1 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- 3 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 4 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 5 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 7 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 8 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 9 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted the
- 10 minutes of the September 29, 2021 meeting.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item on the agenda
- is consideration of hearing officer recommendations.
- And who will be presenting that? Ed, are
- 14 you?
- MR. GREWACH: Hearing Officer Mr. Fawzy
- 16 Simon will present.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Simon, you have the
- 18 floor when you're ready.
- 19 MR. SIMON: Thank you, sir.
- I believe your first case is DC-21-009.
- 21 That would be regarding Jodi Bennett.
- MR. GREWACH: Actually, Mr. Simon, the first
- one on the agenda is Emily K. Johnson.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And that's 21-050.
- 25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RICHARDSON: That would

- 1 be your resolution number. He's referring to --
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The case number.
- 3 I see. 21-009 is --
- 4 MR. SIMON: Emily Johnson. That's correct.
- 5 Ms. Johnson was accused of consuming a
- 6 controlled substance on license premises and failing to
- 7 report her co-worker's consumption of a controlled
- 8 substance.
- 9 After hearing I found that she did prove by
- 10 clear and convincing evidence that she did not consume
- a controlled substance on the premises; however, she
- 12 conceded to the fact that she failed to report her
- 13 co-worker's consumption.
- 14 Based on that I recommended the reduction of
- 15 her suspension to 30 consecutive calendar days.
- We also learned on the record that she had
- 17 been discharged from her employment, was out of gaming
- for a period of four months. Based upon that I
- 19 recommended that she receive a credit of 23 days and
- then serve a suspension of 7 consecutive calendar days.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. I think we have a
- 22 question with the math on that.
- 23 Madam Zimmerman.
- 24 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: I do. Thank you,
- 25 Mr. Chairman.

- 1 Mr. Simon, as I was reading and trying to
- 2 make the math work in my head, that four months that
- 3 she was off 135 consecutive calendar days, I was just
- 4 trying to determine maybe for my own piece of mind how
- 5 you came to the 23 credit for time served and then an
- 6 additional 7 days. I never could make the math work.
- 7 MR. SIMON: Okay. First of all, the initial
- 8 recommendation was for a 60 calendar day set. I
- 9 thought 30 was appropriate. I wanted to recommend that
- 10 she did take a hit on her record for the failure to
- 11 report.
- 12 I thought based on her termination that a
- 13 full 30 days was a bit excessive, but I thought 7 days
- 14 to consider was an appropriate number. So I took
- 30 days less the 7 and came up with 23 credit.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HANE: 30 was the original
- 17 recommendation -- or 60 was the original --
- 18 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: 60 was the original
- 19 recommendation.
- MR. SIMON: I reduced it to 30.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HANE: Okay.
- 22 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: You reduced it to
- 23 30.
- I guess my question is how 7? I mean -- and
- 25 I understand -- I understood the reduction and I

- 1 certainly understood there was no clear and compelling
- 2 evidence that she had actually consumed an illegal
- 3 substance on the premises and that she was discharged
- 4 and agreed with the reduction of the original
- 5 recommendation of 60 days to 30 days. That will remain
- 6 on her record regardless of what she ends up serving I
- 7 suppose for lack of a better term.
- 8 MR. SIMON: And I'm not married to the 7 day
- 9 number. I picked a number that I thought was
- 10 appropriate and certainly this Commission has final
- 11 discretion.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HANE: Your recommendation is
- 13 basically 7 days for the only indiscretion that she
- made and that was failure to report?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, sir.
- 16 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: But I guess my
- 17 question is, it will be a 30 day -- her record will
- 18 reflect that she received a 30 day and you're giving
- 19 her credit for 23 of those 30 days?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, ma'am.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: So she can apply soon.
- 22 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: She's back at work.
- MR. SIMON: She is back at work.
- 24 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: So she's working in
- 25 a licensed position now --

- 1 MR. SIMON: Yes, ma'am.
- 2 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: -- at a different
- 3 casino.
- 4 I just was struggling to understand I guess
- 5 the purpose of serving the additional 7 days because
- 6 her record will reflect the 30.
- 7 MR. SIMON: Yes, ma'am.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Do you have anything on
- 9 this, Ed, any thoughts?
- 10 MR. GREWACH: We support the hearing
- officer's recommendation.
- 12 If you have any questions about the process
- 13 or --
- 14 CHAIRMAN LEARA: So if there is another
- 7 days imposed by our actions today, she will have to
- serve 7 days off from her current employer?
- MR. GREWACH: That's correct.
- 18 Because at this point in time you have the
- 19 option to either adopt or modify --
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And that employer is aware
- of this proceeding I would assume?
- MR. SIMON: I don't have that information,
- 23 sir.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay.
- MR. SIMON: I would have to imagine that it

- 1 would have been --
- 2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RICHARDSON: They are
- 3 aware.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LEARA: They are aware. Okay.
- 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: And certainly I
- 6 want to support, you know, the hearing officer's
- 7 recommendation. I just was having difficulty
- 8 understanding where the 7 came from, you know.
- 9 The 23 days credit out of the 30 and then
- 10 the additional 7 days, just trying to determine how you
- 11 arrived at that number.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HANE: She was discharged from
- 13 her original employment and so she was out of work for
- 14 four months?
- 15 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Yes. 135 calendar
- 16 days I think is what it added up to that she was
- 17 unemployed.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All right. So since
- 19 Mr. Conway is not here we're going to give him the
- 20 courtesy of -- I'm not trying to put you on the spot,
- 21 Mr. Conway, but I will defer to you every time to see
- 22 if you have any comments because of the --
- 23 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Thank you, Mr. Chair,
- 24 and I can understand.
- 25 I'm in agreement with the hearing officer.

- 1 I think if they're going to get the credit, then 7
- 2 would be the remainder. I would be in agreement with
- 3 that.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Any other
- 5 discussion?
- 6 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: No, sir.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I will move for the
- 8 approval of Resolution No. 21-050 and ask for a second.
- 9 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: I will second.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Conway, second.
- 11 Any discussion?
- This is where we're open.
- Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll.
- MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 17 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 18 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 20 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 21 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 23 Resolution No. 21-050.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Mr. Simon, the next
- 25 item is 21-051.

- 1 MR. SIMON: That would be Mr. Young, sir.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Yes.
- 3 Proceed.
- 4 MR. SIMON: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Young
- 5 requested to be removed from the involuntary exclusion
- 6 list. He was originally placed on that list for I
- 7 believe pinching back a losing bet and then resisting
- 8 arrest. That behavior was -- the record bore out that
- 9 that behavior was repeated a number of times, including
- 10 as recently as seven days after he applied to be
- 11 reinstated.
- 12 I found that he did not show by clear and
- 13 convincing evidence that he should be reinstated and
- 14 that was my recommendation.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any questions for
- 16 Mr. Simon?
- 17 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: No questions,
- 18 Mr. Chairman. Just a comment that -- and, of course,
- 19 I'll be voting that he not be reinstated.
- 20 You know, when he resists arrest and causes
- 21 a police officer to go to the hospital, he absolutely
- 22 has no business in one of our casinos.
- MR. SIMON: I agree, ma'am.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any other discussion?
- 25 Seeing none I move for the approval of

- 1 Resolution No. 21-051 and ask for a second.
- 2 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We have a second.
- 4 Any further discussion?
- 5 Angie, please call the roll.
- 6 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- 8 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 9 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 10 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 12 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 13 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 14 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 15 Resolution No. 21-051.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item is Resolution
- 17 No. 21-052. Mr. Simon.
- 18 MR. SIMON: That would be Jodi Bennett,
- 19 Mr. Chairman.
- 20 Ms. Bennett was subject to discipline for
- 21 being alleged to have failed to report a finding of
- guilt on passing a bad check. She did not present
- 23 clear and convincing evidence that she did not commit
- that offense. In fact, she conceded that.
- 25 Based on the fact that it was a crime

- 1 related to money and based on her role in the casino, I
- found that the Commission's recommendation was
- 3 appropriate and I upheld it.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Any questions for
- 5 Mr. Simon?
- 6 Seeing none I move for the approval of --
- 7 Mr. Hane.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HANE: Okay. Ms. Bennett
- 9 worked at the casino for 24 years. Is that correct?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, sir.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HANE: She passed a bad check
- for \$47 for her son's school lunches?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, sir.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HANE: She had four months to
- 15 pay that check off?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, sir.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HANE: Did not?
- MR. SIMON: Yes, sir.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HANE: Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any other discussion?
- 21 Seeing none I move for the approval --
- Mr. Hane once again.
- You have the floor.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HANE: What else can we do? I
- 25 mean, we have --

- 1 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Grewach.
- 2 Are you seeking an alternative solution?
- 3 COMMISSIONER HANE: Okay. She's a
- 4 licensed -- she's a Level II. Right?
- 5 MR. GREWACH: That's correct.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HANE: And how long has she
- 7 been a Level II?
- 8 MR. GREWACH: I believe 24 years.
- 9 MR. SIMON: More than 20 years, sir, and an
- 10 unblemished record up to this point.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HANE: I just have a problem
- 12 here with -- I mean, you float a bad check to school
- 13 for your kid's lunch and you've got four months to pay
- 14 it back. You're gainfully employed for 24 years. I
- 15 have an issue with --
- 16 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The level of discipline?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HANE: Yes.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LEARA: What do you feel -- let's
- 19 hear an idea.
- Mr. Grewach.
- 21 MR. GREWACH: Under the rule this is a
- 22 recommendation coming to you. You can modify that
- 23 recommendation. So you can make a motion or whatever
- 24 punishment you would see fit, a shorter suspension, no
- discipline at all, a longer suspension, whatever, you

- 1 know, any Commissioner would desire to make a motion to
- 2 modify this recommendation and that would be --
- 3 CHAIRMAN LEARA: An NPL would be appropriate
- 4 in this situation too, or an option?
- 5 MR. GREWACH: Yes. So a Commissioner could
- 6 make a motion, let's send a nonpunitive letter to this
- 7 licensee. If there's a second, discussion, vote, and
- 8 then you would proceed from there.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Let's go to
- 10 Mr. Conway. Do you have thoughts?
- 11 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: You know, I'm kind of
- 12 with Commissioner Hane on this one. It seemed a little
- severe to me, and I would be certainly open to any
- other option that he might suggest.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. You make a motion,
- 16 I'll second it and we'll have a little further
- discussion but not a whole lot.
- 18 Make a motion if you wish.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HANE: I do not.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: You do not wish to make the
- 21 motion, Mr. Conway.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Then I am in
- agreement.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: No motion?
- 25 Any other discussion?

- 1 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: No. I think I'll
- 2 pass.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HANE: All done.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All done.
- 6 Seeing no further discussion I move for the
- 7 approval of Resolution 21-052 and look for a second.
- 8 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We have a second. Thank
- 10 you.
- 11 Last discussion on the issue.
- 12 Seeing none, Angie.
- MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 16 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 17 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 19 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 20 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 21 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 22 Resolution No. 21-052.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Simon, thank you.
- MR. SIMON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LEARA: You're welcome.

- 1 The next item on the agenda is consideration
- of relicensure of Class B.
- 3
  Mr. Grewach -- I'm sorry.
- 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RICHARDSON:
- 5 Mr. Chairman, before you take up this matter, may I
- 6 make a comment on the last one?
- 7 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Grewach, we're going to
- 8 stand down for a second for Madam Director.
- 9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RICHARDSON:
- 10 Mr. Chairman, I just want to state, with regard to Jodi
- 11 Bennett, I know that makes us look very hard hearted
- 12 with regard to the passing of a bad check.
- 13 In all fairness to my team, the thing that
- 14 caused us the most distress quite frankly was that she
- 15 didn't report it. She had been through the relicensing
- process every two years, and they're required to report
- 17 things of that nature.
- 18 And it wasn't the fact that she paid her
- 19 child's lunch bill with a bad check, because I'm
- 20 certain that my mother was in that exact same
- 21 situation. It was the failure to report with the
- 22 knowledge that she knew she was supposed to report
- 23 things of that nature, that I think the team felt like
- they had to take some action on the failure to report.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Your point is well taken.

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 Anything else?
- 3 MR. Grewach, you have the floor.
- 4 MR. GREWACH: Yes. Mr. Peate is going to
- 5 present on behalf of River City.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Mr. Peate.
- 7 MR. PEATE: Good morning.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Good morning.
- 9 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Good morning.
- 10 MR. PEATE: Chairman Leara, Commissioners,
- 11 Executive Director Richardson, good morning, MGC staff.
- 12 Cheryl, how are you?
- 13 First I'd like to introduce -- we have some
- of our team members both from River City and our sister
- properties I'd like to introduce.
- 16 First, since he's standing next to me and
- 17 helping me flip the slides so I don't have to go back
- 18 and forth, is Kevin Meyer, our Director of Compliance;
- 19 Mike Jerlecki, our General Manager at Hollywood
- 20 St. Louis; Kim Young, our Director of Security;
- 21 Ann Happel, our Compliance Manager at River City; Mike
- 22 Peterman is our Vice President of Human Resources; and
- 23 Chris Bruno, our Vice President of Finance for both of
- 24 our properties.
- 25 So in case there were any questions that

- 1 come up today that I'm not qualified to answer, I have
- 2 the team in the back to help us out.
- 3 So we're going to give you a little bit of a
- 4 history overview of River City. We'll talk a little
- 5 bit about the property and share some of the successes
- 6 and things that we continue to look at to grow the
- 7 business and improve our operations.
- 8 So River City opened in March of 2010, a
- 9 very sizeable investment into the property as you can
- 10 see.
- 11 One of the things I'd like to point out is
- 12 just recently we worked with the Port Authority, who is
- 13 essentially our landlord in St. Louis, to change our
- 14 slot count number. So we had a lease agreement that
- 15 was a 2,000 unit --
- 16 (Train whistle.)
- 17 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I believe Mr. Conway is on
- 18 a train.
- 19 MR. PEATE: It's funny. My wife was born in
- 20 Moberly, Missouri and her grandparents lived right next
- 21 to the train tracks there, so that's what it reminds me
- 22 of.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. We think we've made
- it through that.
- 25 Please continue.

- 1 MR. PEATE: So we just recently worked with
- 2 the Port Authority to change that. We had an original
- 3 lease agreement that called for 2,000 slot machines,
- 4 but over time as the footprint of the machines have
- 5 changed both from what you can offer, we just went back
- 6 to the Port Authority, reached an agreement. We
- 7 actually have a new number of twelve-fifty. We'll
- 8 never really get to that twelve-fifty, but it just
- 9 allows us to continue to use technology to improve our
- 10 operations.
- 11 So in 2009 is when the lease agreement
- 12 started with Pinnacle Entertainment. In April of '16
- we sold essentially the lease rights of our property to
- 14 GLPI. That was an organizational decision for Penn
- 15 National -- excuse me -- Pinnacle at the time. And
- then in 2018 Pinnacle was acquired by Penn National
- 17 Gaming as we are today.
- 18 A couple of things that have been part of
- 19 what's happened at River City and the history of the
- 20 property.
- 21 So in 2013 the big thing that we did as part
- of the original lease agreement was an expansion
- 23 component to that. We spent \$82 million on adding the
- event center, parking garage and a 200-room hotel,
- which has been impressive to the building.

- 1 So if you see, part of our agreement is on
- our property taxes. We have the Hancock School
- 3 District. We have a minimum payment of 4.3 million.
- 4 That payment after we spend the 82 million has
- 5 increased between 200 to \$800,000 a year every year
- 6 after the fact of the expansion. So it's brought more
- 7 value to the property.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I have a question,
- 9 Mr. Peate.
- MR. PEATE: Sure.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LEARA: You said 4 million to
- 12 Hancock School District?
- MR. PEATE: 4.3.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Annually?
- 15 MR. PEATE: Yes, sir. It comes out of our
- property taxes. If we're short of that, we make it up.
- 17 And because of the improvement, once we did that
- 18 expansion we've saw continuous growth in that
- 19 contribution, which is something we're proud to be able
- 20 to do.
- 21 And then obviously in 2020 many different
- organizations were going back and looking at
- 23 opportunities, particularly around being closed. We
- 24 did not do that. We kept and maintained all of our
- 25 commitments through that.

- 1 This is just an overview of our
- 2 contributions in the previous ten years to the taxes.
- 3 The big one obviously is 360 million in team member
- 4 compensation. That is frankly jobs that we've
- 5 contributed to the market.
- 6 This shows the rent. And so we pay our rent
- 7 to the Port Authority, which is managed obviously
- 8 through the county. That money is then used in turn to
- 9 go back to projects to fund needing or developmental
- 10 opportunities that support the community.
- 11 So indirectly we have an opportunity to
- 12 continue to support the growth and development of the
- 13 county. You name it. Obviously the Memorial, all of
- 14 those other different opportunities that we have to
- 15 approve it.
- This shows our continuous growth of the
- 17 property or maybe -- we've had some opportunities
- 18 clearly in 2020, but the Covid had a pretty strong
- 19 impact. We estimated those numbers for the end of the
- 20 year, so you can see we're clearly having a pretty nice
- 21 rebound this year from the Covid. We continue to see
- 22 those opportunities both from the safety of the
- 23 property and how guests feel. We've seen that continue
- to grow and do well.
- 25 This shows you a little bit of the

- 1 highlights of some of the expansion that we're doing to
- 2 drive the growth. So it shows you some pictures there
- 3 of the event center, the parking garage, the hotel,
- 4 which that -- really the nice thing about the hotel and
- 5 the event center is it has really diversified the
- 6 opportunities for guests to come to River City.
- 7 So we do charitable galas, corporate events,
- 8 lots of weddings, which is a really fun environment to
- 9 provide.
- In 2016 we remodeled one of our restaurants,
- 11 spent \$3 million to expand Cibare. Also in that year
- we took our poker room, remodeled that into an Asian
- gaming space with a baccarat room and a noodle bar,
- which has been really creative to what we've done, and
- 15 really just created a lot more excitement on the
- 16 property.
- 17 We continue to invest in the property both
- 18 from ways to make our team members' jobs easier, so
- 19 from the mobile dispatching, guest experience better
- 20 from the kiosk to be able to -- you know, we just
- 21 recently did check cashing at the kiosk through working
- 22 with the MGC staff and everybody involved. It's been a
- 23 really nice opportunity for us to improve that
- 24 experience for our guests.
- 25 And then through Covid we didn't have our

- 1 valet open, and so under our porte cochere we took a
- 2 shot at reengineering that space to provide an outdoor
- 3 wedding venue or event venue. So far it's been pretty
- 4 amazing. We're going to continue that into next year.
- 5 We already have 15 weddings booked for next year on the
- 6 outside. It's a great environment for us. So it's
- 7 been terrific.
- Future expansion. Hopefully at some point
- 9 in the future sports books will become part of our
- 10 entertainment and gaming experience. You know, I've
- 11 been at River City for about four and a half years,
- went to Illinois for two and a half years. So I was
- part of that sports book rollout. It really created a
- lot of excitement on the property.
- 15 We continue to look at the ways that we can
- 16 reengineer spaces. So we're taking a look at our
- 17 buffet space into next year as we really get all of our
- 18 amenities open and providing that experience for our
- 19 guests.
- 20 We're going to take a look at, you know,
- 21 what else can we do to attract more clientele to our
- 22 property, and those things are there that we're
- 23 considering for next year.
- 24 A really important opportunity for us is to
- just continue to make sure guests feel safe at our

- 1 property both when they come to the property, and so we
- 2 take a look -- so we clearly partner with the Missouri
- 3 Highway Patrol officers who are on our property. We
- 4 have a really great relationship. Kim does an amazing
- 5 job in working with that team to support the property.
- 6 We also work closely with our county
- 7 precinct captain. I meet with him. Kim obviously
- 8 meets with him much more than I do.
- 9 We actually have about 12 assigned shifts a
- 10 week where the county is actually in our parking lot
- 11 helping to help ensure safety and be that presence
- 12 there on the property. And we continue to look for
- opportunities. We try to grow and improve how that
- looks.
- 15 We're looking at some things for next year,
- which is more lighting, not even better lighting, more
- 17 lighting to just brighten up the parking lot to
- 18 continue to ensure that we can have a clear view of
- 19 what is happening on our property.
- 20 Responsible gaming is incredibly important
- 21 to all of us to ensure that guests that come there
- really are having an experience that is in control and
- is an entertainment-based opportunity.
- 24 You know, Kevin and Ann really do a great
- job of leading that program, getting our team members

- 1 excited about the interactions that come. We create
- 2 experiences around that training that isn't just
- 3 sitting in front of a computer, but there is also some
- 4 incentives and some interactive components that make it
- 5 almost like a game and a competition, so it really
- 6 drives team members' response and engagement regarding
- 7 that.
- 8 The RU21 program is something that we're
- 9 proud of and that Kim continues to really push through,
- 10 which is training team members how to really look at an
- 11 identification.
- 12 So it can be difficult for sure when you're
- working in the building and try to ensure that you're
- 14 taking that right time and looking for the right
- 15 features.
- So Kim's security team all goes through
- 17 training when they start, and they go through an annual
- 18 refresher to determine that we are doing our part to
- 19 ensure folks that are eligible and allowed to be in the
- 20 property can come onboard.
- 21 This is something that we just wanted to
- 22 share. So in 2018 when Penn National Gaming acquired
- 23 Pinnacle, there were certain areas where we didn't have
- 24 casinos in the Pinnacle brand. And so immediately when
- 25 we got all together we unified our program through what

- our internal system has called Penn Jen (phonetic sp.)
- 2 and took a look at anybody that was excluded at any
- 3 other casino, maybe hadn't had visibility to that in
- 4 the past. They automatically were excluded from our
- 5 property based on just wanting to ensure that we are
- 6 protecting people if they have a problem.
- 7 So while we put some of the stats on there
- 8 on what the gaming revenue is, that's not the most
- 9 important thing. It's all about trying to make sure
- 10 people have a safe experience and be in control when
- 11 they're participating; and if they've declared that
- they can't, we want to make sure we help facilitate
- 13 that.
- 14 Some of the community events that we do.
- 15 The Feed My People is a River City charity of choice.
- 16 It's just down the street from our casino. We spend a
- 17 lot of time finding ways to give both time, money,
- 18 volunteer hours, not only from our leadership team but
- our team members as well spend time on that.
- 20 And then there is other opportunities that
- 21 we do through the housing partnership, YMCA. We'll
- have team members go and do cleanup or trash pickup or
- 23 whatever we can do, and they volunteer their time, both
- leadership and team members, just to make that impact
- in the community because that's how it's become, part

- 1 of our culture.
- 2 Our current program that we're doing -- I
- 3 wanted to share this -- The Real Men Wear Pink. That
- 4 is for the American Cancer Society. Mike and I are
- 5 participating. Many of the other casinos in the
- 6 marketplace are participating. We have a little
- 7 internal competition. I may or may not be in the lead,
- 8 but, you know, I'm not going to call that out right
- 9 now.
- 10 Unfortunately I committed if we hit a
- 11 certain number at our property, I was going to take a
- swim in that fountain that you see behind us there, and
- 13 it looks like I'm going swimming sometime in November,
- 14 which is not the best time of the year to make that
- move, but I've got to keep my commitments.
- We also have many of our team members who
- 17 serve on other philanthropy boards. I actually serve
- on two outside of our property. I know Kevin serves
- and many of our other team members serve on boards
- where we find opportunities to give back to the
- 21 community.
- MBE/WBE is critically important to us.
- 23 Interesting that this is always something that we keep
- 24 close to our heart, working to find ways to improve
- 25 that opportunity.

- 1 We just recently were working on scheduling
- 2 a diversity fair, and there is still just some
- 3 reluctance for folks to come together in those
- 4 environments. So we had 17 vendors say they would
- 5 participate, where typically about 65 to 70 set up. So
- 6 we've decided to kind of -- we canceled that event.
- 7 We're actually -- me and the team are meeting on
- 8 Thursday to go virtual.
- 9 So we're going to try to set up a virtual
- 10 partner. We've partnered with some of our sister
- 11 properties in other jurisdictions that have had
- 12 successful virtual kind of vendor fairs. So we're
- working on setting that up, and we'll be moving forward
- in that until people feel more comfortable getting back
- together in those kind of environments.
- The only other thing I wanted to share, so
- 17 unaudited -- it's not on there because it's not been
- 18 audited yet, but we're currently running towards a run
- 19 rate of 38 percent year to date. Obviously that will
- 20 get audited and that will get reported to you guys once
- 21 that's done, 9.7 MBE and 28.7 WBE. So continuing to
- show some improvement. It looks good for this year as
- 23 things have kind of stabilized back where you're buying
- 24 supplies.
- 25 Obviously I talked a little bit about our

- 1 diversity strategy. I just shared some of that with
- 2 you. The various chambers that we participate. The
- 3 Asian Chamber of Commerce is hosting an event on our
- 4 property on the 5th if I remember correctly, so we'll
- 5 be looking at that.
- 6 The other part that our company did is we
- 7 formed a diversity committee as an organization, and so
- 8 not only to look at diversity within the community but
- 9 also within our own diversity, how do we continue to
- get a more diverse culture, which I think we have a
- 11 great diverse culture, but even being more cognizant of
- 12 that.
- We also started our diversity scholarship
- 14 fund. So our company gave over a million dollars away
- in scholarship money to diverse team members and their
- siblings. So we're really excited about that as it
- 17 continues to grow. We're in the process right now of
- 18 submitting for 2022.
- 19 So we're really excited about that, just
- another opportunity for us to continue to give back to
- 21 the community.
- Here you'll find a couple letters of support
- 23 from our District County Council member Ernie Trakas
- and the Executive Director, Sam Page.
- We put on the next page just some of the

- 1 things that they called out that they appreciate what
- 2 River City brings to the community. Obviously some of
- 3 the charities I was talking about, Jefferson Barracks,
- 4 which is also just down from us. We support a lot of
- 5 different events that are fundraisers for there,
- 6 including the big 4th of July, typically on the 3rd of
- July celebration that they have there. We're a pretty
- 8 big donor to that to ensure that event is executed well
- 9 and successful. So we help support that. We partner
- with Ernie Trakas on that as well. And then just the
- general funds that our tax dollars and the creation
- 12 that we have go to fund an account.
- That is it for me. Any questions that I
- might be able to answer?
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any questions for
- 16 Mr. Peate?
- 17 Mr. Conway, are you good?
- 18 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: No questions.
- 19 Good presentation. I'm familiar with the
- 20 property and the best success as they expand.
- 21 By the way, Mr. Chair, I think our ship is
- 22 underway and I will probably lose my cell tower here
- 23 momentarily, so I may be losing you for a while. I
- 24 might try to call back, but the 2G on here probably
- isn't sufficient to sustain it.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We'll do our best. Thank
- you, Mr. Conway, for that heads-up.
- I do have a question, Mr. Peate.
- 4 MR. PEATE: Sure.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The dispersion of funds
- 6 according to the Port Authority. Do you have any
- 7 involvement in those decisions?
- 8 MR. PEATE: We do not.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And are those static or do
- 10 they fluctuate from year to year?
- 11 And the reason I ask is the largest
- 12 contribution from the Port Authority's revenue that
- they get from you is to a facility bond payment
- 14 30 miles away.
- MR. PEATE: Yeah. That's their money.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LEARA: That's their discretion?
- 17 MR. PEATE: Mike and I will go attend those
- 18 meetings occasionally, but mostly just to provide an
- 19 update that are things coming from River City. We're
- 20 not involved in any of those --
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And that's not in any form
- of agreement?
- 23 MR. PEATE: No. That's just essentially our
- lease, yes.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All right. Thank you,

- 1 Mr. Peate.
- 2 Any questions?
- 3 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: I do have a similar
- 4 question, Mr. Peate, with regard to that payment that's
- 5 made annually to the school district.
- 6 Is that a static -- you mentioned that if
- you don't reach that level in revenue, that you-all
- 8 make up the difference. Is that an agreed-upon amount?
- 9 MR. PEATE: Yeah. It's a 4.3 million agreed
- 10 upon minimum contribution. It comes out of our
- 11 property tax. And if it's ever short, we pay the
- 12 difference essentially.
- 13 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Okay. Thank you.
- MR. PEATE: Thank you.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: That has made a difference
- in that school district.
- 17 MR. PEATE: Yeah. We're really proud of
- 18 that.
- 19 Like I said, we partner a lot of with Ernie
- Trakas, our County Council member, and very
- 21 appreciative of that support of that school district.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I'll throw in a comment.
- Your development has done a lot for that
- 24 community that desperately needed it. And it's obvious
- when you enter that area -- that general area where

- that casino is, that it's a much improved community.
- 2 MR. PEATE: Thank you. We're continuing to
- 3 work to grow that as well.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Thank you.
- 5 Okay. Any other questions for Mr. Peate?
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 MR. PEATE: Thank you. I appreciate it.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Angie, on the agenda
- 9 there's a public comment section. Is that something
- 10 generally we reach out --
- 11 MS. FRANKS: Yes, just ask.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. At this time we're
- open for public comment. If there is any, please raise
- 14 your hand.
- 15 Seeing none, Corporal Masters, you have the
- 16 floor when you're ready.
- 17 And Jamie Morgan also will be part of that,
- 18 or no?
- 19 CORPORAL MASTERS: No. She's here.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Thank you.
- 21 CORPORAL MASTERS: Good morning,
- 22 Mr. Chairman and Commissioners.
- 23 PNK, River City, LLC, doing business as
- 24 River City Casino, submitted an application to the MGC
- on May 3rd, 2021 for the renewal of its Class B

- 1 riverboat gaming license which is set to expire on
- 2 October 31st, 2021.
- 3 Investigators from the Missouri State
- 4 Highway Patrol, along with MGC financial analysts,
- 5 conducted the relicensing investigation of River City,
- 6 which consisted of feedback from affected local and
- 7 state governmental agencies, a financial analysis, a
- 8 review of disciplinary actions, litigation and business
- 9 credit profiles, as well as a review of key persons
- 10 associated with the company. There were no issues or
- 11 concerns discovered.
- The findings of this investigation were
- provided to the MGC staff, and the investigating
- officers are present for any questions you might have.
- Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Any questions for
- 17 Corporal Masters?
- 18 Mr. Conway?
- 19 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: No. No questions,
- 20 Mr. Chair.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Thank you.
- Thank you, Corporal.
- 23 CORPORAL MASTERS: Thank you.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Next up, Cheryl Bonner.
- 25 You have the floor.

- 1 MS. BONNER: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
- 2 Commissioners.
- In June of 2021 the Missouri Gaming
- 4 Commission staff conducted a 100 percent audit of the
- 5 MBE/WBE records for the Class B licensee PNK, River
- 6 City, LLC, doing business as River City Casino.
- 7 The results of our audit and specific
- 8 details related to those findings are included in the
- 9 summary report in your possession, and I will be happy
- 10 to answer any questions related to that.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any questions for Cheryl?
- MS. BONNER: Thank you.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Seeing none, thank you.
- 14 Okay. Any other discussion?
- Okay. I will make a motion to approve
- Resolution No. 21-053, the relicensure of River City
- 17 Casino.
- 18 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We have a second, Madam
- 20 Zimmerman.
- 21 Any discussion?
- Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll.
- MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- 25 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.

- 1 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 2 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 4 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 6 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 7 Resolution No. 21-053.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item on the agenda
- 9 is relicensure of a supplier, Resolution No. 21-054.
- 10 Corporal Masters.
- 11 CORPORAL MASTERS: Mr. Chairman,
- 12 Commissioners.
- 13 Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators,
- 14 along with MGC financial analysts, conducted the
- 15 relicensing investigation of GPI-USA which is currently
- 16 a licensed supplier in the state of Missouri.
- 17 This investigation consisted of, but was not
- 18 limited to, jurisdictional inquiries, feedback from
- 19 gaming company clients, a review of disciplinary
- 20 actions, litigation and business credit profiles, as
- 21 well as a review of the key persons associated with
- 22 GPI.
- 23 The result of this investigation was
- 24 provided to the MGC staff for their review, and the
- 25 investigating officers are available to answer any

- 1 questions you have.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And you received all of the
- 3 documentation you needed from this applicant. Is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 CORPORAL MASTERS: It is.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LEARA: And you're satisfied?
- 7 CORPORAL MASTERS: Yes, sir.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I'm glad for that.
- 9 Okay. Any questions for the corporal?
- 10 Corporal, you might as well just stay there
- 11 for your next.
- 12 So no further questions.
- I move for the approval of Resolution
- 14 No. 21-054. Is there a second?
- 15 COMMISSIONER HANE: Second.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Second, Mr. Hane.
- 17 Any discussion.
- 18 Seeing none, Angie, call the roll.
- 19 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- 21 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 25 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.

- 1 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 3 Resolution No. 21-054.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item on the agenda
- 5 is consideration of licensure of key business entity,
- 6 Resolution 21-055. Corporal.
- 7 CORPORAL MASTERS: Mr. Chairman and
- 8 Commissioners.
- 9 AGL Investments Godo Kaisha, formerly known
- 10 as Angel Holdings, is being presented for licensure as
- 11 a key business entity associated with GPI, a current
- 12 holder of a MGC supplier license.
- AGI was formed in Japan in June of 2018 as a
- 14 holding company and is wholly owned by Mr. Yasushi
- 15 Shigeta. On May 1st, 2019 Angel Holdings completed the
- acquisition of GPI, and as a result of the merger, GPI
- 17 became a wholly owned subsidiary of Angel Holdings, now
- 18 AGL Investments.
- 19 Missouri State Highway Patrol and MGC
- 20 investigators conducted the investigation and financial
- 21 analysis of AGL Investments, along with its owner,
- 22 Mr. Shigeta.
- 23 A summary of this investigation was provided
- 24 to the MGC staff for their review and investigators are
- 25 present to answer any questions.

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: There's nothing outstanding
- 3 and everything is good?
- 4 CORPORAL MASTERS: Yes, sir.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Thank you.
- 6 Any questions for the corporal?
- 7 Seeing none I move for the approval of
- 8 Resolution No. 21-055. Is there a second?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HANE: Second.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We have a second, Mr. Hane.
- 11 Any further discussion?
- 12 Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll.
- MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 16 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- 17 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- 19 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 20 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 21 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 22 Resolution No. 21-055.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item on the agenda
- is licensure of Level I/Key applicants, Resolution
- 25 No. 21-056.

- 1 Sergeant Holcomb, you have the floor.
- 2 SERGEANT HOLCOMB: Good morning, Chairman,
- 3 Commissioners.
- 4 Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators
- 5 and Missouri Gaming Commission financial investigators
- 6 conducted comprehensive background investigations on
- 7 Key and Level I applicants.
- 8 The investigations included, but were not
- 9 limited to, civil, criminal, financial and general
- 10 character inquiries that were made in the jurisdictions
- 11 where the applicants have lived, worked and frequented.
- 12 The following applicants are being presented
- 13 for your consideration: Yasushi Shigeta, Managing
- 14 Partner, AGL Investments Godo Kaisha; Brooke Michelle
- 15 Rich, Surveillance Manager, Ameristar Casino
- 16 Kansas City; Navin Goel, Chief Operations Officer,
- 17 BMM International, LLC; Desiree Ann Burke, Senior Vice
- 18 President, Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer,
- 19 Gaming and Leisure Properties, Incorporated; Felicia
- 20 Rae Hendrix, Executive Vice President and Chief
- 21 Financial Officer, Penn National Gaming, Incorporated;
- 22 and Marla Eskenazi Kaplowitz, Director, Penn National
- 23 Gaming, Incorporated.
- 24 Investigative findings were provided to the
- 25 Missouri Gaming Commission staff for their review and

- 1 investigators are available to answer any questions you
- 2 might have.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Any questions for
- 4 Sergeant Holcomb?
- 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Mr. Chairman, I do
- 6 have one question.
- 7 I did note in your investigations that one
- 8 of the applicants, Brooke Rich from Ameristar, had two
- 9 investigations, one that had been completed. Both were
- 10 surveillance related at that property. The first one
- is completed. It's stated in the report that the
- 12 second investigation was not completed, but it's my
- 13 understanding that it has since been since the report
- 14 was submitted.
- 15 Could you comment any further, sir?
- 16 SERGEANT HOLCOMB: That's my understanding
- 17 as well.
- 18 Would you like to add something?
- MR. GREWACH: That's correct.
- 20 The applicant received a nonpunitive letter
- 21 for that violation on September 30th, 2021.
- 22 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Thank you.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Any other questions
- 24 for Sergeant Holcomb?
- 25 Seeing none, Sergeant, thank you.

- 1 SERGEANT HOLCOMB: Thank you, sir.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LEARA: All right. I move for the
- 3 approval of Resolution No. 21-056 and look for a
- 4 second.
- 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second.
- 6 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: I'll second.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LEARA: You're late on the draw
- 8 there, Mr. Conway.
- 9 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: It's the delay
- 10 from the train.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LEARA: It is a better connection.
- Now he's on the ship, so you may want to stay there.
- Okay. We have a second, Madam Zimmerman.
- 14 Any discussion?
- 15 Seeing none, Angie, call the roll.
- MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 19 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 23 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: By your vote you've adopted
- 25 Resolution No. 21-056.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LEARA: The next item on the agenda
- is consideration of licensure of key persons.
- 3 Sergeant Coulson, you have the floor.
- 4 SERGEANT COULSON: Mr. Chairman,
- 5 Commissioners.
- 6 Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators
- 7 conducted background investigation updates of key
- 8 person license renewals.
- 9 The investigations included an application
- 10 review, as well as civil, criminal and general
- 11 character inquiries made in the jurisdictions where the
- 12 applicants live, work and frequent.
- 13 The following renewals are being presented
- 14 for your consideration: Philippe Gerald Etienne,
- 15 Non-Executive Director of Aristocrat Leisure Limited;
- 16 Hector Leonardo Fernandez, Director and President of
- 17 Aristocrat Technologies, Incorporated; Alfred Randall
- 18 Thoman, Director of Boyd Gaming Corporation; Barry
- 19 Fredric Schwartz, Director of Gaming and Leisure
- 20 Properties, Incorporated; Hiroshi Ikeda, Chief
- 21 Executive Officer and President of Gaming Partners
- 22 International USA, Incorporated; Renato Ascoli,
- 23 Director and President of International Game
- 24 Technology, Incorporated; Johannes Thomas Anton Gratzl,
- 25 Member of the Executive Board of Novomatic AG; Dominik

- 1 Racic, Member of the Management Board, Novo Swiss AG;
- 2 Ronald James Naples, Director of Penn National Gaming,
- 3 Incorporated; Michael Joseph Regan, Director of
- 4 Scientific Games Corporation.
- 5 Investigative findings were provided to the
- 6 Missouri gaming Commission staff for their review and
- 7 investigators are available to answer any questions you
- 8 might have.
- 9 Thank you.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Before we go to
- 11 questions for Sergeant Coulson, do we have any updates
- or corrections for this?
- 13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RICHARDSON: They have
- 14 been made.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LEARA: They have been made. I
- 16 didn't see them.
- 17 MS. FRANKS: You can if you'd like.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Not at this point. We had
- 19 a correction and I believe that's been made.
- 20 SERGEANT COULSON: Yes, sir.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Okay. Any questions for
- 22 Sergeant Coulson?
- Seeing none, thank you.
- 24 SERGEANT COULSON: Thank you.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I move for the

- 1 consideration of relicensure of Resolution No. 21-057
- 2 and ask for a second.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HANE: Second.
- 4 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Second.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LEARA: I think I heard Mr. Conway
- 6 first. I really do.
- 7 Second, Mr. Conway.
- 8 Any further discussion?
- 9 Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll.
- 10 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved.
- MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman.
- 17 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved.
- 18 MS. FRANKS: By your vote you have adopted
- 19 Resolution No. 21-057.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LEARA: At this time I make a
- 21 motion for closed meeting under Sections 313.847 of the
- 22 Revised Statutes of Missouri, investigatory,
- 23 proprietary and application records, and
- 24 Section 610.021, Section 1, Revised Statutes of
- 25 Missouri, legal actions and matters subject to attorney

1 client privilege and legal work product, Sections 3 and 2 13 personnel, Section 12 contracts, and Section 14 3 records protected from disclosure by law and ask for a 4 second. 5 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Second. 6 CHAIRMAN LEARA: Second, Madam Zimmerman. 7 Any discussion? 8 Seeing none, Angie, please call the roll. 9 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Leara. CHAIRMAN LEARA: Approved. 10 11 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Conway. COMMISSIONER CONWAY: Approved. 12 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Hane. 13 14 COMMISSIONER HANE: Approved. 15 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Zimmerman. 16 COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN: Approved. 17 MS. FRANKS: Okay. 18 CHAIRMAN LEARA: We are now in closed. 19 Thank you for coming. 20 WHEREIN, the meeting concluded at 10:21 a.m. 21 22 23 24

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## MISSOURI GAMING COMMISSION Second Open Session Minutes October 27, 2021

The Missouri Gaming Commission (the "Commission") went into the second open session at approximately 11:24 a.m. on October 27, 2021, at the Missouri Gaming Commission, 3417 Knipp Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri.

Chairman Leara moved to adjourn the open session. Commissioner Conway seconded the motion, and after a roll call vote was taken, Leara – yes, Conway – yes Hane – yes and Zimmerman – yes, the motion passed unanimously.

The open session meeting ended at 11:25 a.m.