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AGENDA

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Commission may vote to go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public.

A. Call to Order of the 654th Regular Arizona Racing Commission Meeting at 10:00 AM.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Thomas Lawless
Vice Chair Jay McClintock
Commissioner David Heiple
Commissioner Rory Goreé

Also present:

Rudy Casillas, Racing Division Director
Deanie Reh, Assistant Attorney General
Greg Stiles, Division of Racing
Cassie Goodwin, Commission Secretary
Camila Alarcon, Esq. (Executive Session re *Simms* matter only)

The following item is for Executive Session purposes only:

Simms v. Arizona Racing Commission, et al., Case No. LC2016-000505, Ronald A. Simms' Appeal to the Maricopa County Superior Court of the Arizona Racing Commission's Order to Reject the Gaming Director's Ruling to Grant a Racing License to Ronald A. Simms, Case No. 14A-020-RAC. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) in order to discuss or consult for legal advice with its attorneys.

Chair Lawless advised the Commission would be going into executive session after the following items are completed.

Commissioner Goreé moved to go into executive session for legal advice. Vice Chair McClintock second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Goreé, Lawless, Heiple, McClintock.)

Open Session recessed at 10:45 AM.

Open Session reconvened at 11:04 AM.

B. New Business

The following New Business items are for a status report, presentation, discussion, and possible action for the Commission.

1. Santa Cruz County Fair and Rodeo Association Three-Year Permit Application

Greg Stiles addressed the Commission.

Rudy Casillas addressed the Commission.

Vice Chair McClintock moved to approve Santa Cruz County Fair and Rodeo Association Three-Year Permit Application request for Years 2018, 2019 and 2020. Commissioner Goreé second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Goreé, Lawless, Heiple, McClintock)

C. Information Reports

1. Turf Safety Report (Greg Stiles) – **Greg Stiles addressed the Commission.**
2. Racing Division Personnel Update for Fiscal Year 2018 – **Director Casillas addressed the Commission.**
3. Permittee Reports – **Not to exceed 3 minutes**
 - a. American Greyhound Racing – **Edward Braunger, General Manager, addressed the Commission.**
 - b. County Fairs – **No Report.**
 - c. Rillito – **Jaye Wells, President, addressed the Commission.**
 - d. Turf Paradise – **Vince Francia, General Manager, addressed the Commission.**
 - e. Tucson Greyhound Park – **No Report.**
4. Optional Industry Stakeholder Association Updates (limited to officers or officially designated spokesman) – Not to exceed 3 minutes
 - a. Arizona Counties Racing Association – **No Report.**
 - b. Arizona Greyhound Association – **No Report.**
 - c. Arizona Quarter Horse Racing Association – **No Report.**
 - d. Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Association – **No Report.**
 - e. Horsemen’s Benevolent & Protective Association – **Lloyd Yother, President, addressed the Commission.**
 - f. JACOR Update on Yavapai Downs – **Tom Author addressed the Commission.**
 - g. Jockey’s Guild – **No Report.**

E. Commission Reports

1. Summary of Current Events Affecting the Arizona Racing Commission. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K) – Only Commission Members or the Director may report. No discussion or action may be taken on matters reported unless properly noticed for legal action or discussion.
2. Identification of Matters to be placed on future agendas. – **None at this time.**

E. Call to the Public

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission must sign the signup sheet and be recognized by the Chair. Time permitting; each presentation will be given approximately two minutes. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or re-schedule the matter for further consideration at a later date.

Stephen Nolan addressed the Commission.

Announcements

The next regular Arizona Racing Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on **Thursday, September 14, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Building Conference Room 250, 2nd Floor, located at 1110 West Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona. This is subject to change based on a quorum. Please remember to check the Racing Division's website or contact Cassie Goodwin at 602-771-4263 for confirmation.

Adjournment at 11:05 AM.