

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Allison Bolt <2ltbolt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 4, 2019 4:09 PM
To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
Subject: [External] Caernarvon casino

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Hello,
My questions regarding the casino are as follows:

What percentage of unskilled labor, skilled labor, management will be employed locally.

What commitment to giving back will be made to the local community for charitably giving back (not taxes).

What commitment will be made to working with local businesses (holiday inn, morgantown center (former moms mall) to bring in entertainment, and further development

What commitment will be given to the local schools for opportunities for intersnships and continuing education

What commitment to building and maintaining infrastructure would be made to the community (sidewalks, traffic lights, parking)

Thank you,
Allison Bolt
2ltbolt@gmail.com
484-336-0056

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

Subject: FW: [External] Fwd: Public Input Meeting re Casino

From: Michelle Raymond <mich12@ptd.net>
Sent: Monday, March 4, 2019 9:04 PM
To: GB, PGCB <RA-PGCB@pa.gov>; ronpeterson951951@gmail.com
Subject: [External] Fwd: Public Input Meeting re Casino

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Thanks Ronald.

I will forward

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Subject:Public Input Meeting re Casino
Date:Mon, 4 Mar 2019 14:47:44 -0500
From:Ronald Peterson <>
To:mich12@ptd.net

My wife and I live in Valley Ponds. Hopefully, a casino with entertainment, dining, gambling will be a positive influence on our area. We are guardedly optimistic.

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

Subject: FW: [External] Berks Casino License

-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Raymond <mich12@ptd.net>

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2019 9:11 PM

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Subject: [External] Berks Casino License

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Dear Commissioners:

I want to express my concern about today's Public Input meeting. Many of the speakers & attendees have an agenda that has Nothing to do my the future of my Township. No one wants to build in Caernarvon Township and a gaming company is the only one that will take the risk, I am willing to the risk on them.

I do think the Gaming project will have affects on the greater Twin Valley Community, mostly positive.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak my mind.

Michelle Raymond

Caernarvon Township Resident

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Jonathan Hoffffman <jonbrenhoffman@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 10:03 PM
To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
Subject: [External] Morgantown Casino

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Good Evening, Ms. Lloyd,

Thank you so much for coming last night to the meeting and hearing the concerns of the people in and around Morgantown regarding the proposed casino. My husband and I would just like to add that we are against this establishment in our area. It does not fit with the culture and values of our town. In the Morgantown area, we are generally a conservative, God-fearing group of people who are family oriented. We are also closely connected to the Amish community. The casino would be out of place here. Also, we find it hard to fathom how the casino could really succeed here since we are so close to the Valley Forge/King of Prussia area casino. I think gamblers and those that like that type of entertainment would be more attracted to the King of Prussia area. We see no benefit to having a mini casino here.

Please consider hard all that you heard last night.

Sincerely,
Jonathan and Brenda Hoffman
40+ year residents of Morgantown

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Subject: FW: [External] Morgantown Casino Supporter

From: Allen Eagles <aeaglesjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 11:22 PM
To: GB, PGCB <RA-PGCB@pa.gov>
Subject: [External] Morgantown Casino Supporter

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Hello,

My name is Allen Eagles and I've lived in Morgantown, PA for nearly 4 years. I support the Hollywood Casino here for a few reasons: First of all, I realize that the revenue will be good for the township - having lived in another small township where there was a drive to stay bucolic and only allow light industry in - I know that we need something here that generates tax revenue. Light industrial workers go home. Secondly, the influx of good paying jobs should have a positive effect on the area - compared to the mostly retail nature of local jobs today. Finally, I believe that the casino will make Morgantown an entertainment destination - drawing people from North, South, East and West to enjoy gaming and the other offerings. Hopefully, the influx of consumers will allow for restaurants and other related businesses to flourish.

Thank you for your time,

Allen Eagles
150 Dover Ct.
Morgantown, PA 19543

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Subject: FW: [External] Morgantown casino

From: Drew Weishaar <drewweishaar@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 8:21 AM

To: GB, PGCB <RA-PGCB@pa.gov>

Subject: [External] Morgantown casino

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As a local resident of Morgantown, I want to say I am in full support of a casino in our township. The benefits to the township far outweigh and false claims being made against it. It would be a tremendous opportunity for our community to grow, and I look forward to the next hearing in Harrisburg. Please keep us informed on any updates!

Drew Weishaar

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Subject: FW: [External] I support the Hollywood Casino in Morgantown PA

From: Stef Jenerick <s.jenerick@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 8:22 AM
To: GB, PGCB <RA-PGCB@pa.gov>
Subject: [External] I support the Hollywood Casino in Morgantown PA

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I've lived in Morgantown, PA for over 4-1/2 years. I support having the Hollywood Casino here for several reasons. One, the revenue will be good for the township. Taxes haven't been raised here in 20 years and the town shows it. I'd rather have money from the casino revenue help revive the town than have my taxes raised. Two, it will create jobs – local well-paying jobs. Jobs other than retail. Three, it will draw people from all over the SE Pennsylvania area. If other businesses, like retail shops and restaurants, see Morgantown being a destination with increased traffic I feel there's a good possibility they would consider investing in the area. Four, it will be entertainment for the townspeople themselves. There is no entertainment in Morgantown at the present – none.

Thanks for your time,

Stephanie Jenerick

150 Dover Court

Morgantown, PA 19543

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Rachel White <mouse8cat@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 9:48 PM
To: Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)
Subject: [External] Berks Casino Hearing – Speaker's Notes
Attachments: March 4 Casino Hearing — Rachel White.pdf

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Dear Ms. Lloyd,

I was one of the speakers at the hearing on Monday in Caernarvon Township. Thank you, again, for taking the time to come and listen to our concerns. I have attached the notes from my speech to this email.

Sincerely,
Rachel White

March 4, 2019

Good afternoon. My name is Rachel White. I live in Cochranville, Pennsylvania.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak today. I grew up and lived in Elverson until 4 years ago. I have been a part of this community my entire life as a student, a church member, and for the past 15 years as a teacher. This area will forever be my home, and for that reason, I felt compelled to speak at this hearing.

I oppose the casino for many reasons, but I will address two of them today. The first is that I do not believe it will revitalize the community, and I believe it has the potential to hurt some local businesses. The second, more important reason, is that the culture of casinos is in direct opposition to the values of this community.

I am in full support of developing the township in a way that will provide more revenue and jobs. We need that to happen. I want to see Morgantown and the surrounding area flourish, but I believe there are much better ways to do this than by building a casino.

One of the proposed benefits of bringing a casino to the area is that it will increase local jobs. However, I am skeptical that it will have any significant beneficial impact on our local workforce. The Gaming Control Board requires that each casino applicant have a diversity plan in place. Morgantown and the surrounding area are not very diverse. Can the Gaming Control Board and Penn National guarantee that the majority of the jobs at the casino, including construction bids, be given to the residents of this community who seek them?

The other benefit being touted is that a casino will revitalize the township. I believe there are circumstances when this would be the case. I do not believe the proposed Morgantown casino is one of those cases. In the article "Casinos and Cities: Can They Live Together?" Allan Mallach writes about ways to maximize a casino's benefits to the community. He also writes about the worst thing to do: "Putting a casino on an unused site outside a city center near an interstate highway exit may minimize traffic and crime effects on the city, but at the cost of essentially eliminating the possibility of positive economic spin-off effects." This is exactly the scenario that is being proposed for the Penn National casino. The impact study confirms this when it says, "The traffic study commissioned by Penn National has identified that the majority of trips associated with visits to the

casino will be accessing the interstate on/off ramps of I-76.” A casino will not promote support of local businesses since most customers will get off the highway, go to the casino, and then get back on the highway. (And if they do, that means they will be having a greater impact on our infrastructure than Penn National claims.) Since the casino will include a restaurant and food court, there will be no need for visitors to leave the casino to find food. We have a great deal of locally-owned restaurants. Those restaurants will most likely lose local customers to the casino’s eateries.

However, more concerning to me than the questionable promise of economic stimulus is the almost certain erosion of the fabric of this community. And that is the primary purpose of this meeting, I believe — to determine whether or not this community is a good fit for the casino and vice versa.

There is a rich history in our community of neighbors helping neighbors. This is publicly demonstrated through organizations like the Twin Valley Food Pantry, Neighbors Caring & Sharing, and the free counseling and numerous support groups offered at various churches. A casino would be in stark contrast to this heritage, as many people have already mentioned.

Even teenagers can see this contrast. Even though I am a math teacher, if there are significant events happening locally, nationally, or globally I will share them with my students to help remind them that they are part of a larger community. Last week I mentioned to my high school class that the township would be holding a meeting to discuss the possibility of a casino coming to Morgantown. Their collective response was, “What? A casino in Morgantown? That doesn’t make any sense!” If 15- and 16-year-olds can immediately see the incongruity of bringing a casino here, then the Gaming Control Board must seriously consider whether a casino is in the best interest of this community.

We are a community built on hard work and caring for one another. Casinos do not foster that kind of fellowship. Rather, they encourage isolation and deception. Slot machines are designed to make the players lose themselves in the game. Card tables are not places of conversation; they are places for hiding your emotions while being suspicious of the decisions of the players around you. None of that matches the ideologies of the Tri-County area.

Since childhood, I have valued the smalltown feel of Morgantown, Elverson, and the surrounding communities. Growing up, we never locked the car doors when we went local places. We even left our keys in the car at home because we knew there was no threat of theft. Though there has been tremendous population growth since I was a child, this area is still a safe place, and I agree with the statement on the Caernarvon Township website that says, "Caernarvon Township is a highly desirable location for families with children."

But gambling addiction destroys families. With a national rate of approximately 2-3% of the population having a gambling problem and 750 proposed slot machines, the proposed casino will have about 20 problem gamblers each time they are at maximum capacity. Considering that the addictions of each of those people affect spouses, children, parents, siblings, and friends, we are talking about hundreds, and over the course of time thousands, of people whose lives will be irreparably damaged by our supposed attempt to better the community. That is NOT the Morgantown I have known and loved, and it is not the direction I and many others here want to see the community take.

For the sake of local commerce and because the values of the gambling industry are opposed to the values of this area, I stand in opposition to a casino being located here or in any neighboring community.

I appeal to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board to deny the application to build a casino in Caernarvon Township and the surrounding communities. And I implore the Board of Supervisors of Caernarvon Township to be more creative than taking the get-rich-quick route of earning revenue that will have no long-lasting social benefit.

Resources

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Mallach, Alan. "Casinos and Cities: Can They Live Together?" 23 May 2019. www.bostonfed.org/publications/communities-and-banking/2013/summer/casinos-and-cities-can-they-live-together.aspx. Accessed 3 March 2019.

"Penn National Study." *Caernarvon Township*. 24 October 2018. www.caernarvon.org/meetings/Penn%20National%20Study.pdf. Accessed 3 March 2019.

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: pgslex@ptd.net
Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2019 3:50 PM
To: thenness@pahousegop.com; GB, Board Clerk; astyer@caernarvon.org; pwhiteman@caernarvon.org; sstyer@caernarvon.org; jvickers@caernarvon.org; jhess@caernarvon.org
Subject: [External] FW: --Another Study Factor Example-GAMBLING FREE SCHOOL ZONE - Proximity of Middle/High School Building & Twin Valley Recreation Swimming Pool to Casino
Importance: High

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To again illustrate by example the value of an independent study customized to the particular locality and local culture in question concerning any significant project, many families and children in the area use the Twin Valley Recreation Swimming Pool.

This activity would take place *directly next door to the proposed Casino building* and any incidental activities thereto.

The proximity of a casino gambling house to a middle/high school – student extracurricular activities across the street from it, the community use of a pool next it.. are just a few example of the local nuance factors specific to our community ...letting alone the struggles occurring within local families on a myriad of topics including various addictions and other intra-family issues... need to be studied and evaluated before any intelligent decision making by our Township can take place.

Shouldn't the matter be stayed until the proper independent ,localized, customized study is conducted through the Township ?

Paul

P.S. Correction- I believe Wing Night For Students Of Surrounding Area is Monday Night-Not Tuesday Night

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 1:53 PM
Cc: 'thenness@pahousegop.com'; 'boardclerk@pa.gov'; 'astyer@caernarvon.org'; 'pwhiteman@caernarvon.org'; 'sstyer@caernarvon.org'; 'jvickers@caernarvon.org'; 'jhess@caernarvon.org'
Subject: FW: --An Independent Study/Gaming Control Consideration-CASINO FREE SCHOOL ZONE - Proximity of A Middle/High School Building/Students/Activity To Proposed Casino Building/Activity
Importance: High

To illustrate the value of an independent study customized to the particular locality and local culture in question concerning a project, and to give just one example of the effect of the proximity of the Twin Valley High School building and its student body extra-curricular activity culture to the proposed casino building site , I believe that it has been a longstanding Tuesday night tradition for Twin Valley High School students to meet at the Heritage Restaurant for “Wing Nite”...

This activity would be directly across the street from the proposed Casino building and any incidental activities thereto.

Paul

**Attn: Pa Gaming Control Board-Board Members/Administrators
& Caernarvon – Berks Township Board Members**

**Cc: Mr. Tim Hennessey
Republican Chairman
Transportation Committee
PA House of Representatives**

Bcc: Various Local Residents

**Re: Proper Board Member Decision Making Discretion Standard- An Independent , Systematic Written Study
Consideration Example Requisite- Casino Free School Zones Etc.**

Date: 3/5/2019

For just one example, any truly independent ,systematic study regarding any proposed casino project should be customized to a particular locality and it should be mandated to review and give great weight to the proximity of that casino or gambling establishment to the local junior/senior high school buildings/grounds.

If a school district is understood to facilitate an adolescent's propensity to gamble or become familiarized with it and/or its incidental activities, via its proximity to a gambling establishment, that will likely impact the school district's reputation. If a school district's reputation is negatively impacted, that will negatively impact people's property values. If district residential property values are negatively impacted, then that will negatively impact a township's tax base. If a township's residential property tax base is depreciated , then that will directly offset any projected revenue gains to township associated with project .

The study should mandate a review of school proximity to proposed casino as just one facet of its mandatory independent study review , be the locale either Caernarvon Berks or New Morgan . I imagine there would be a Casino Free Zone For Nearest Proximities--- With added weight the closer the schools were to the casino free zone.

How close are Twin Valley Middle/High School Buildings in Comparison to Othe Casinos In the state at large ?

Shouldn't the matter be stayed until the proper study is conducted ?

Paul

P.S.

See Below

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Monday, March 04, 2019 7:36 PM

To: 'thenness@pahousegop.com'; 'boardclerk@pa.gov'; 'astyer@caernarvon.org'; 'pwhiteman@caernarvon.org'; 'sstyer@caernarvon.org'; 'jvickers@caernarvon.org'; 'jhess@caernarvon.org'

Cc: Subject: FW: Caernarvon Township Casino---Complaint/Comment- March 4 Hearing /Township Hearing Etc.- Proper

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Cc: *Pa Gaming Control Board-Board Members/Administrators
& Caernarvon – Berks Township Board Members*

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Monday, March 04, 2019 6:56 PM

To: 'thenness@pahousegop.com'

Cc: 'sam@papastors.net'; David Charles (kldd4@yahoo.com); Joe Vasaturo (joevas@ptd.net); mlacey@ptd.net; Ed Aronian (aronian@ptd.net); Ed Aharonian; Joe Feeney (feendog@ptdprolog.net); Brian Yanoviak (briany@signstudios.com)

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Importance: High

Mr. Tim Hennessey
Republican Chairman
Transportation Committee
PA House of Representatives

Dear Tim ,

It was nice meeting you at the Casino hearing in Morgantown.

Isn't it time that Pa had legislation forcing local township supervisors to escrow some percentage of a proposed project so that those supervisors could then select a truly independent, knowledgeable party to do a truly examinative, diligent, systematic, written study of the potential community impact of that project ?. Supervisors would then mandatorily get whole instead of partial counsel on that issue. *Everything* relevant, material, weighty, and probative about it would have to be systematically touched upon before making an executive decision concerning the project.

This would force the fair consideration and evaluation of social /crime issues amongst others that are also relevant, material , weighty, and probative to the matter.

Any other way opens the door to frequent, capricious , reckless , unauthorized abuses of power by both the proponent and the township board .

Paul.

P.S. Couldn't a judge simply and easily stay/ enjoin any such project via injunctive type relief until such study were produced by the township via the law already in existence ?- See below.

Cc: Dave Charles
Joe Vasaturo
Michael Lacey
Joe Feeney
Ed Aharonian
Sam Rohrer
Brian Yanoviak

Paul G. Schenk Jr.
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From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Monday, March 04, 2019 1:22 PM

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Joe,

Doesn't appear close to a real impact studyseems to be just a brief cursory – non-exhaustive report on a few relevant issues by a consultant (ie Econsult) paid for and selected by Penn National -in support of Penn National application by its own terms- doesn't appear to nearly touch on all relevant issues concerning impact – doesn't appear to nearly hit the standard for type of study requisite.

Thx

Paul

Cc:

Joe Vasaturo

David Charles

Steve Davies

From: Joe Feeney

Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2019 12:53 PM

To: pgslex@ptd.net

Subject: RE: Caernarvon Township Casino---Complaint/Comment- March 4 Hearing /Township Hearing Etc.- Proper Board Member Decision Making Discretion Standard

Paul,

Here is their impact Study.

Joe Feeney

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2019 6:58 AM

To: 'boardclerk@pa.gov'; 'astyer@caernarvon.org'; 'pwhiteman@caernarvon.org'; 'sstyer@caernarvon.org'; 'jvickers@caernarvon.org'; 'jhess@caernarvon.org'

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In sum, my impression is that , in order to properly authorize the exercise of their decision making discretion, and before proceeding to a final decision on the casino, the Caernarvon Board must produce their own impartial written study , customized to our local community and surrounding environs, by their own independent, knowledgeable consultant/group, that is at least examinative , searching and complete enough to include and fairly consider and evaluate the particular potential crime and social impact or influence issues/metrics of concern to our community over the short, mid and long term...(i.e. money laundering...drug obtaining/dealing cash acquisition ...drug & gambling addiction...prostitution...theft/burglary....divorce...family financial (and thus tax revenue) strain etc.)

Paul

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 02, 2019 12:23 PM

Subject: FW: Caernarvon Township Casino---Complaint/Comment- March 4 Hearing /Township Hearing Etc.- Proper Board Member Decision Making Discretion Standard

Importance: High

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 02, 2019 12:15 PM

Subject: FW: Caernarvon Township Casino---Complaint/Comment- March 4 Hearing /Township Hearing Etc.- Proper Board Member Decision Making Discretion Standard

Importance: High

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 02, 2019 11:59 AM

Subject: FW: Caernarvon Township Casino---Complaint/Comment- March 4 Hearing /Township Hearing Etc.- Proper Board Member Decision Making Discretion Standard

Importance: High

From: Paul G. Schenk Jr. J.D. [mailto:pgslex@ptd.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 02, 2019 11:47 AM

To: 'boardclerk@pa.gov'; 'astyer@caernarvon.org'; 'pwhiteman@caernarvon.org'; 'sstyer@caernarvon.org'; 'jvickers@caernarvon.org'; 'jhess@caernarvon.org'

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Importance: High

**Attn: Pa Gaming Control Board-Board Members/Administrators
& Caernarvon – Berks Township Board Members**

Bcc: Various Local Residents

Re: Complaint/Comment- For March 4 2019 (4pm) Casino/Gambling Hearing- Caernarvon Berks Township Hall – Plus For Township Board Member/Resident Awareness/Decision Making

Date: 3/2/2019

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Township and Gaming Control board members have a duty to make sure that a good faith, careful, reasonable, impartial, searching, detailed, systematic, examinative, investigative, and probing inquiry or study has been conducted, without any self dealing, prior to the exercise of their discretion.

For Some Background On The Issue Of Board Decision Making Discretion-See short post @ <http://thelegalstudypost.com/2015/04/10/boardmemberdutytoinquire/>

Basic Impression & Question Deriving From Article Post

Basic Impression: *Government Board Members Are Appointed Or Elected Only To Make Properly Founded, Intelligent Decisions, Not Capricious or Reckless Decisions, **Whatever Those Decisions May Be**. Any Unfounded Board Member Decision On Any Issue Of Significance To The Community Served By Such Board Members Is Thus A Capricious or Reckless Decision. Capricious or Reckless Decisions Are Thus Made Outside The Scope Of A Board Member's Authority (i.e. It Is If that Board Member Made His Own Individual, Reckless Decision Unauthorized By The Government Or The People That Governing Board Serves)*

Basic Question : *Where Is The Written, Impartial, Good Faith, Probative, Searching Inquiry Study That The Caernarvon Berks Board Members Have Obtained Prior To Executing Their Decision Making Discretion Concerning The Caernarvon Berks Gambling Casino Matter ?*

I hope this comment/ complaint is helpful to the understanding of all parties concerned about the matter.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Schenk Jr.
Morgantown, PA
Caernarvon Berks Resident

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

Subject: FW: [External] Hollywood Casinos Request for License to operate mini-casino in Berks county

-----Original Message-----

From: Roy Wynn <hitman999@verizon.net>

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 2:45 PM

To: GB, PGCB <RA-PGCB@pa.gov>

Subject: [External] Hollywood Casinos Request for License to operate mini-casino in Berks county

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I am not a fan of Hollywood Casino based on their online playforfun casino and their casino in Grantville, PA. If you play their playforfun slots there seems to be an unfair advantage. They have people that have trillions of credits (I suspect it is their employees) and then myself who try to win credits but never seem to win anything. Their slots in Grantville are pathetic in what they payout. There is no way that they payout 85% which I believe the government knows but lets them cook the books to make it look good and still get their tax revenue. I am waiting for whistle blower to expose this conspiracy.

Base on my play online I know they can control who wins and who loses so it is not a far step from controlling the slots in their casinos and eventually their online for pay slots.

I am recommending that the PGCB deny their application for a mini-casino in Berks county.

Thank You

Roy Wynn

Caernarvon Township Board of Supervisors

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**Re: Mountainview Thoroughbred Racing Association, LLC
Category 4 Public Input Hearing for Caernarvon Township
Hollywood Casino Morgantown**

Dear Members of the Board:

Caernarvon Township, Berks County is the host municipality for the proposed Category 4 Casino to be located in Berks County in the above-referenced matter. Members of the Board of Supervisors of Caernarvon Township attended the public input hearing on March 4, 2019 and wish to supplement the Township's position through submission of this correspondence. I understand that the Office of Enforcement Counsel has no objection to the Township's supplementation of the record.

The Board of Supervisors of Caernarvon Township, Berks County, remains unanimous in its support of the proposed casino. The comments made at the March 4, 2019 public input hearing has not altered that support.

During the public input hearing, the Gaming Control Board heard from a number of individuals, many of whom identified themselves as residents of the community. Subsequent to the hearing, the Board reviewed the list of citizens who commented and note that only six of the citizens who spoke out against the casino actually reside in Caernarvon Township, Berks County. The Board of Supervisors requests that greater weight be given to the position of actual township residents and their elected local officials.

As I stated during the public input hearing, when municipalities across the state were afforded the opportunity to opt-out of the expanded gaming opportunities provided by Act 42, the Caernarvon Township Board of Supervisors carefully considered the merits of such a decision at a public meeting in November 2017. The Board of Supervisors concluded that the benefits of a prospective casino within the township far outweighed any potential adverse impact. After resolving to permit casinos within the township, the Board of Supervisors promptly drafted an amendment to its zoning ordinance to protect the public health safety and welfare of the community in the event a casino decided to locate to the township. The process of preparing

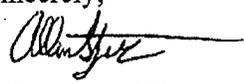
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an appropriate casino ordinance occurred over the course of nearly one year, during which time the ordinance was regularly discussed at the public meetings of the Caernarvon Township Planning Commission. As a result of this process, casinos must be located within the township's C-3 (Highway Commercial) Zoning District to avoid potential adverse impact on the residential neighborhoods within the township. The proposed site conforms to this standard as it is ideally situated to the Pennsylvania Turnpike and I-176 and away from residential neighborhoods. The township expects little impairment on the flow of traffic on local roads and neighborhoods. The zoning ordinance amendments enacted by the township also require the proposed casino to meet safety, traffic, landscaping, lighting and signage requirements, all of which are designed to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the township. During the land development plan review process, the township's professional consultants have diligently reviewed and commented on the casino's proposed plan to ensure compliance with all township regulations. Members of the Board of Supervisors visited Penn National Casino's Grantville location in an effort to more fully understand that operational challenges confronting local officials. The Township interviewed the Township Manager of East Hanover Township, the municipality in which the Grantville location exists to gain anecdotal evidence on the impact a casino may have on a host municipality. The township's police chief has met with the security team of Penn National in Grantville to identify and address security concerns associated with the operation of a casino. Contrary to some of the comments made by citizens who do not reside in Caernarvon Township, the year-long process undertaken by the Caernarvon Township Board of Supervisors has been thoughtful, deliberative and transparent.

The Board of Supervisors of Caernarvon Township has gone to great lengths to ensure that the fears and concerns raised by some citizens during the public hearing do not come to pass. We see no reason why the Gaming Control Board should consider the location proposed by Penn National Casino in Caernarvon Township to be of such a uniquely different character that we would be exposed to an experience different from any other potential location in the Commonwealth.

The Township remains available to address any further questions or concerns that the Gaming Control Board may have about this project.

Sincerely,

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