

**DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON AN
APPLICATION BY SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED FOR APPROVAL OF
NEW FLOOR PLANS FOR THE AUCKLAND CASINO**

Date of Decision: 2 September 2024

1. On 23 August 2024, SKYCITY Casino Management Limited (“**SCML**”) applied, pursuant to condition 11 of its operator’s licence for the Auckland casino, for approval of new floor plans, “2024 L1 001”, “2024 L2 003”, “2024 L3 002” and “2024 L5 001” for the Auckland casino.
2. Condition 11 of SCML’s operator’s licence for the Auckland casino provides as follows:
 11. The Licence Holder shall operate in accordance with approved floor layouts showing the position of gaming tables and gaming machines. The Licence Holder shall obtain approval for new floor plans prior to relocating or installing tables or machines in positions not specified in approved floor layouts. When applying, the Licence Holder must submit fresh plans showing the floor layout for the Gambling Area and details of the proposed CCTV layout for consideration. Any change must comply with the Surveillance Standard. The Executive Director and a single Gambling Commissioner may approve the new floor plans if they are satisfied that the floor layout has no potentially adverse effects. If they are not so satisfied, the proposed floor plan must be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.

Submissions

3. SCML submitted it wants to make changes to the Auckland casino as follows:

Level 1

- Remove 8 EGMs (2 banks of 3 and 2 single EGMs)
- Remove 3 ATG terminals

Level 2

- Remove and relocate ATG terminals
- Remove EGMs in various locations
- Add and relocate table games
- Allocate 3 tables as substitute tables, to be paired with 3 tables on Level 5

Level 3

- Remove 5 ATG terminals
- Remove 3 EGMs and reconfigure remaining EGMs
- Reconfigure a bank of 10 EGMs into two banks of 5 EGMs

Level 5

- Remove 2 gaming tables
- Remove 6 ATG terminals
- Allocate 3 tables as substitute tables in Salon 88 – to be paired with 3 tables on Level 2.

4. The most significant change is to Level 2 where it wants to streamline the gaming table and ATG terminal areas by removing the current “stadium” layout of the ATG area and relocating these terminals to the adjacent area, currently utilised by table games.

5. It also wants to designate 3 tables as substitute tables on Level 2 which are to be paired with 3 tables on Level 5, as permitted by condition 6A of SkyCity Auckland's operator's licence.
6. If approved, the changes are intended to be completed in the week commencing 9 September 2024.
7. The number of EGMs and gaming tables will comply with the requirements of its licence conditions at all times and similarly, the mix of games deployed will comply with approved game mixes.
8. Changes to the CCTV layout will be implemented to ensure compliance with the Surveillance Standard.

Decision

9. The Commission was satisfied that the proposed floor plan changes raised no issues of regulatory concern. Accordingly, plans "2024 L1 001", "2024 L2 003", "2024 L3 002" and "2024 L5 001" (**attached**) are approved by the Chief Gambling Commissioner and the Executive Director under delegated authority, pursuant to condition 11 of SCML's operator's licence, for the Auckland casino.
10. Once SCML is reliant on plan "2024 L1 001", plan "2023 L1 001" will cease to be valid.
11. Once SCML is reliant on plan "2024 L2 003", plan "2024 L2 002" will cease to be valid.
12. Once SCML is reliant on plan "2024 L3 002", plan "2024 L3 001" will cease to be valid.
13. Once SCML is reliant on plan "2024 L5 001", plan "2023 L5 001" will cease to be valid.



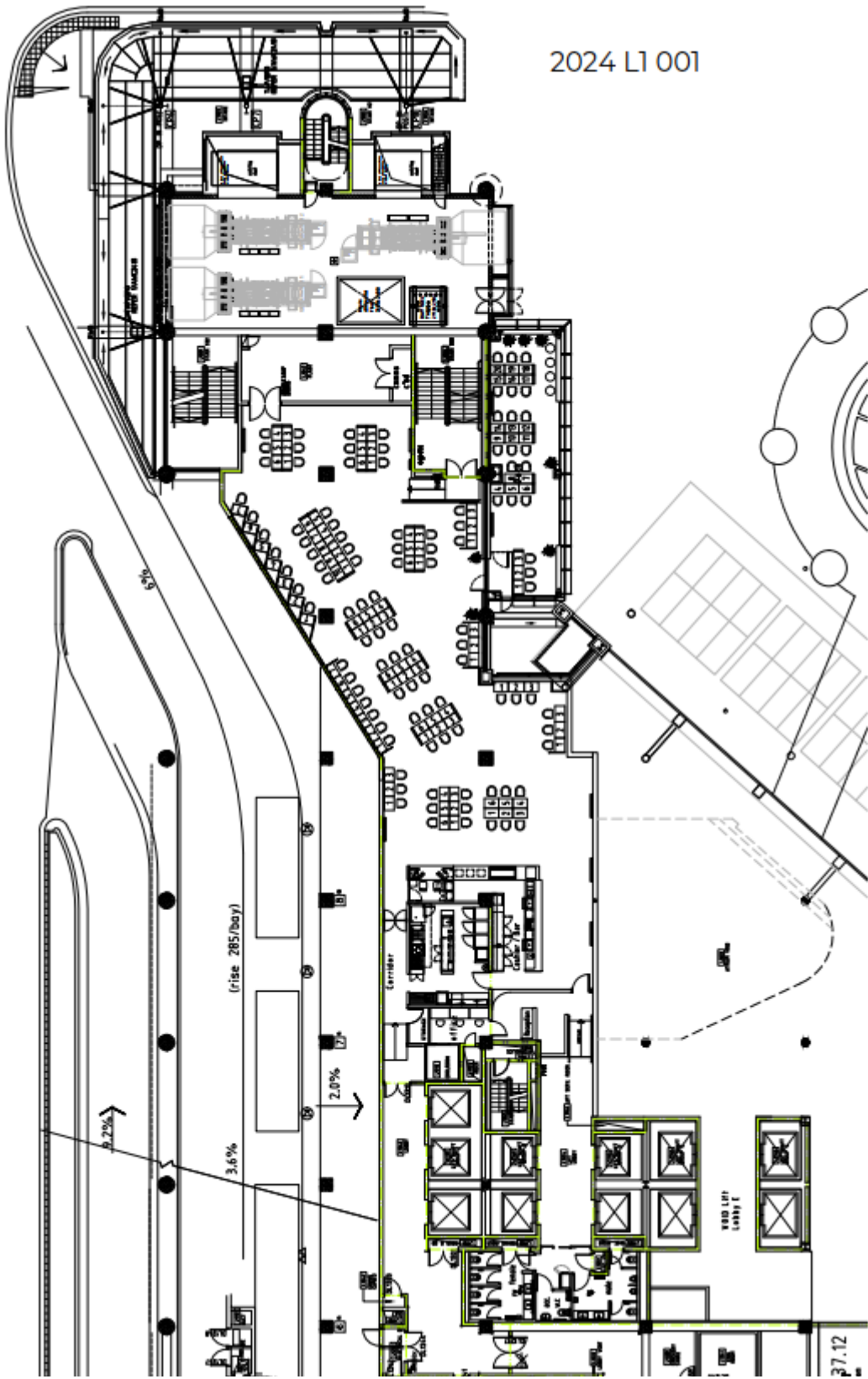
Susan Hughes KC
Chief Gambling Commissioner
Gambling Commission



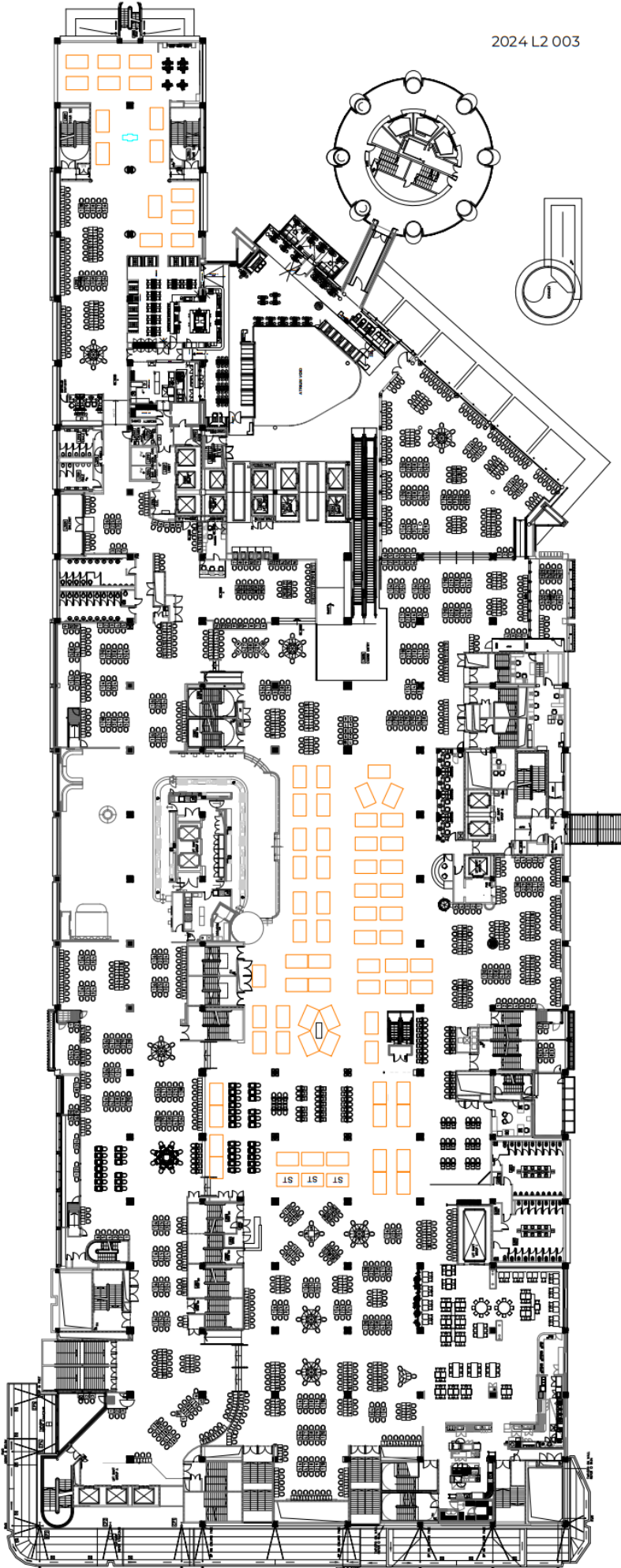
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Executive Director
Gambling Commission

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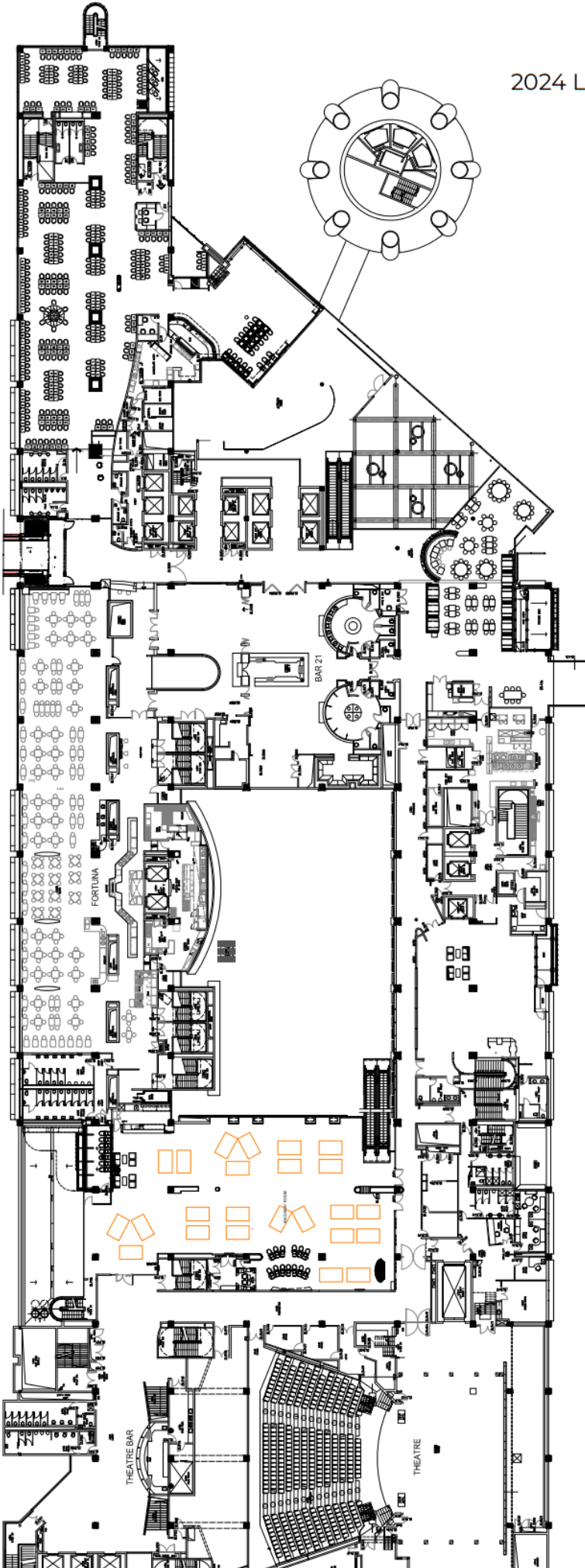




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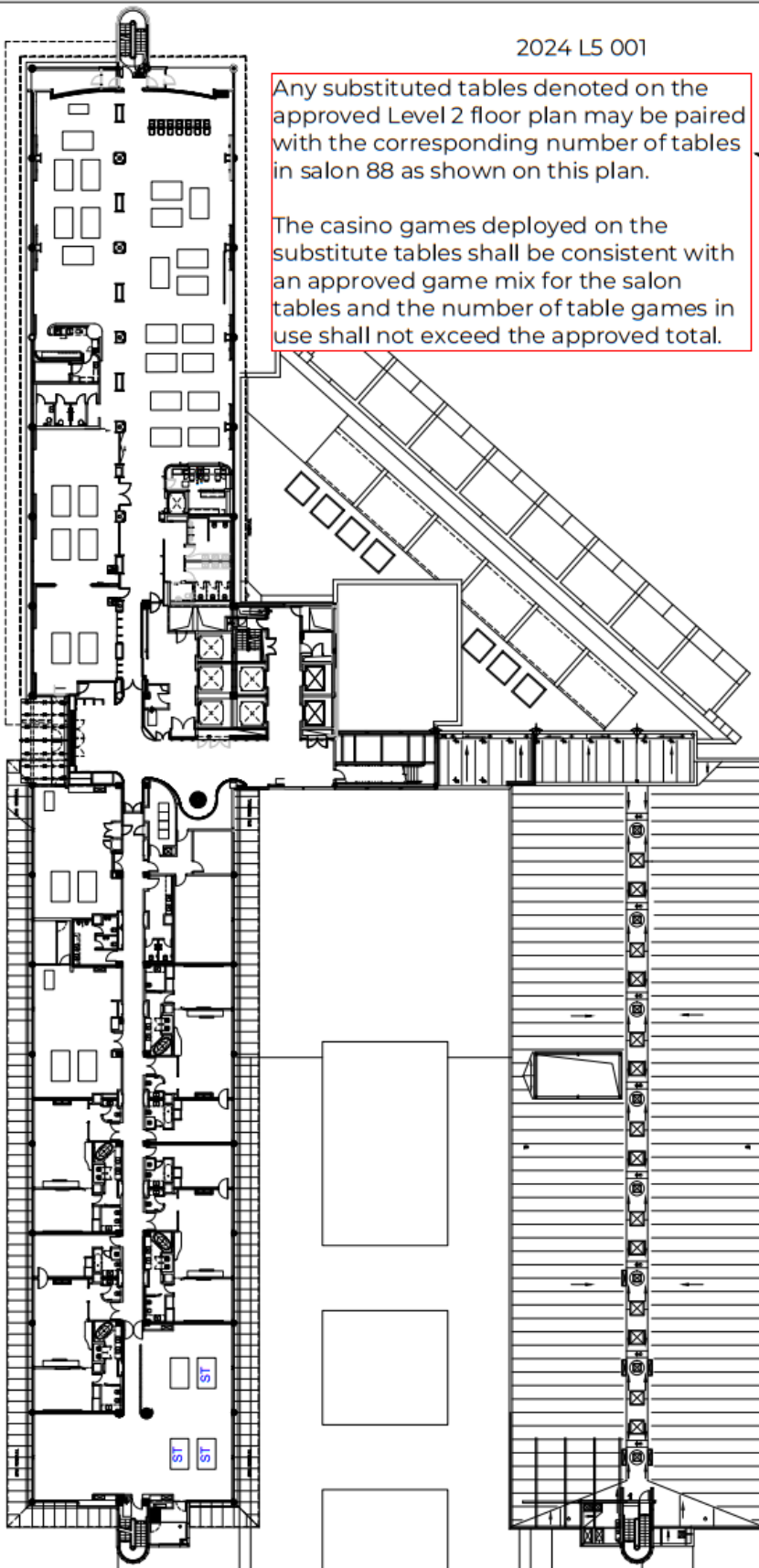
2024 L3 002



2024 L5 001

Any substituted tables denoted on the approved Level 2 floor plan may be paired with the corresponding number of tables in salon 88 as shown on this plan.

The casino games deployed on the substitute tables shall be consistent with an approved game mix for the salon tables and the number of table games in use shall not exceed the approved total.



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