

IN THE MATTER of the Gambling Act 2003

AND on an application by **SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED** and **SKYCITY AUCKLAND LIMITED** for approval to construct a new cashiering facility at the Auckland casino

BEFORE THE GAMBLING COMMISSION

Members: G L Reeves (Chief Gambling Commissioner)
L M Hansen
R D Bell
A K Foote

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Date of Decision: 11 April 2014

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**DECISION ON AN APPLICATION BY SKYCITY CASINO MANAGEMENT LIMITED
AND SKYCITY AUCKLAND LIMITED FOR APPROVAL TO CONSTRUCT A
NEW CASHIERING FACILITY AT THE AUCKLAND CASINO**

Introduction

1. SKYCITY Casino Management Limited (“**SCML**”) and SKYCITY Auckland Limited (“**SCAL**”) (together referred to as the “**Applicants**”) applied to the Commission under conditions 6, 7 and 13 of SCAL’s venue licence and condition 22 of SCML’s operator’s licence for approval to construct a new cashiering facility on the MGF of the Auckland casino.
2. The relevant licence conditions are as follows:

SCAL venue licence

6. The Licence Holder must obtain the approval of the Commission prior to:
 - (a) construction or design changes to Levels 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 of the casino venue, including the Gambling Area but excluding the SKYCITY Theatre and foyer area, restaurant and bar areas outside the Gambling Area, hotel rooms and the back of house areas used by staff (unless construction or design changes to any of these excluded areas may impact on matters set out in condition 7 in which case prior approval must be sought);
 - (b) the construction or relocation outside the Gambling Area and within the Casino Venue of bank facilities available to the public excluding ATMs, EFTPOS and like devices;
 - (c) the addition or alteration of signage relating to the casino business on any building, road or structure within the block of land bounded by Hobson Street, Wellesley Street West, Federal Street and

Victoria Street West, including the Casino Venue, Sky Tower, car park, bus terminal and walkways between the casino and the Sky Tower and the convention centre.

The process by which the Licence Holder may obtain approval for construction or design changes to Levels 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 of the casino venue, including the Gambling Area (paragraph (a) above) is set out in condition 7. The Commission will determine any application for approval under 6(b). The Executive Director may approve the addition or alteration of signage relating to the casino business on any building, road or structure within the casino block (paragraph (c) above) if he/she is satisfied the proposed changes will have no potentially adverse effects. If he/she is not so satisfied, the proposed changes must be referred to the Commission for a decision on approval.

7. The Licence Holder must notify the Executive Director of any proposed changes to the construction or design of Levels 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 of the casino venue, including the Gambling Area but excluding SKYCITY Theatre and foyer area, restaurant and bar areas outside the Gambling Area, hotel rooms and the back of house areas used by staff. Notification must be accompanied by relevant drawings and an assessment of any impacts the alterations may have on:

- (a) the integrity and fairness of games;
- (b) the effectiveness of security and surveillance;
- (c) harm prevention, harm minimisation and responsible gambling;
- (d) potential access to the Gambling Area by persons under 20 years of age; and
- (e) compliance by any person with the Act, including section 11.

The Executive Director may approve the proposed changes to the construction or design if he or she is satisfied that there are no adverse impacts in relation to the matters specified in (a)-(e) above. If the Executive Director is not satisfied, he or she will refer the proposal to the Commission for determination.

13. The approval of the Commission is required for the construction and relocation of cashiering facilities additional to the principal facility in other parts of the Gambling Area or casino venue. Any such additional facilities must comply with the surveillance equipment requirements set out in the Surveillance Standard and be fitted with manually triggered and automatic silent alarm systems connected to the surveillance department.

SCML operator's licence (Auckland casino)

22. The approval of the Commission is required for the construction and relocation of cashiering facilities additional to the principal facility in other parts of the Gambling Area or casino venue. Any such additional facilities must comply with the surveillance equipment requirements set out in the Surveillance Standard and be fitted with manually triggered and automatic silent alarm systems connected to the surveillance department.

Submissions by the Applicants

3. The Applicants submitted, in summary, as follows:
- (a) Pursuant to licence conditions, Commission approval is required for the construction and relocation of cashiering facilities, additional to the principal facility, in other parts of the Gambling Area or casino venue. Any such additional facilities must comply with the surveillance equipment requirements set out in the

Surveillance Standard and be fitted with manually triggered and automatic silent alarm systems connected to the Surveillance Department.

- (b) The part of the MGF previously known as "Rouge" is to have a change in focus. The tables currently in that area will be relocated elsewhere with gaming machines installed in their place. An application to vary to the approved floor plans will be submitted to the Commission separately.
- (c) In order to service the new gaming machine area, they want to construct a single station cashiering booth. This booth, which will be an additional facility, will comply with the Surveillance Standard and be fitted with the necessary alarm systems required by the licence conditions.

The Secretary's submissions

- 4. The Secretary had no regulatory concerns with the proposal.

Analysis

- 5. The Applicants want to install an additional cashiering station in the area formerly known as "Rouge" on the MGF of the Auckland casino.
- 6. Licence conditions 13 and 22 require any additional cashiering facilities to comply with the Surveillance Standard, and be fitted with manually triggered and automatic silent alarm systems. The Applicants have stated that the new facility will comply with these requirements.
- 7. The proposal did not raise any issues of regulatory concern for the Secretary, or the Commission.

Decision of the Commission

- 8. The Commission decided to approve, under conditions 6, 7 and 13 of SCAL's venue licence and condition 22 of SCML's operator's licence, the construction of a new cashiering station on the MGF of the Auckland casino. The proposed facility should be located and constructed in accordance with the **attached** plan.

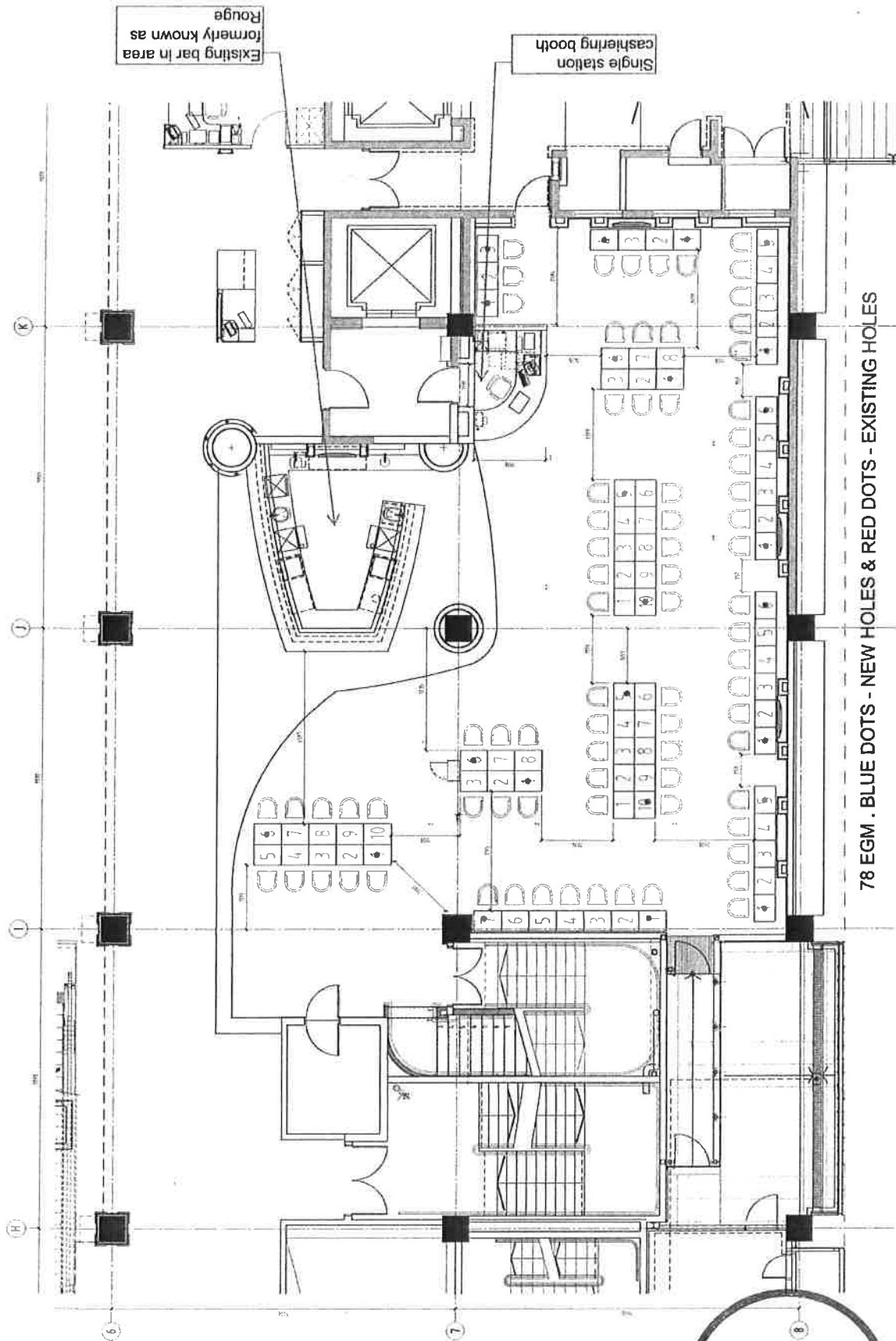


Graeme Reeves
Chief Gambling Commissioner

for and on behalf of the
Gambling Commission

|| April 2014





Existing bar in area formerly known as Rouge

Single station cashier booth

78 EGM . BLUE DOTS - NEW HOLES & RED DOTS - EXISTING HOLES

PRELIMINARY DATED 21 FEB. 2014 (REVISED cashier cage & 78 machines & 1 NX & NO RAISED ACCESS FLOOR)



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