

STAFF AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: April 25, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: **Horseshoe Casino Outdoor Gaming Patio and VLT Increase**

PRESENTER: James Logue, Managing Director, Gaming

ISSUE SUMMARY: Horseshoe Casino has submitted a request to expand their gaming floor to include a second level outdoor gaming patio and to increase their number of VLTs by 48. The outdoor gaming patio will consist of the new 48 VLTs along with 127 relocated from the existing gaming floor for a total of 175 VLTs. In addition, Horseshoe will also be placing 16 new table games and 14 new fusion hybrid games (electronic table games with live dealers) on the gaming patio. This addition will bring the total number of VLTs to 2,250. The June 25, 2013 Location Commission amended license agreement for Horseshoe authorized the allocation of 2,500 VLTs.

Horseshoe has secured the necessary permits for construction. Staff will ensure that the outdoor gaming patio meets all regulatory requirements prior to commencement of gaming activities. The Horseshoe request and schematic can be found on the MLGCA shared drive under commission reports (Logue Confidential).

COMMISSION ACTION REQUIRED/REQUESTED:

- Approval of Horseshoe's request for an outdoor gaming patio
- Approval of Horseshoe's request for an increase of 48 VLTs

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff recommends approval for both requests.