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Illinois Gaming Board (“IGB”) to hold drawing on September 30 to determine order of South Suburban and Waukegan casino license applicant presentations at October 13 special public meeting

CHICAGO – On September 30, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. in the Michael A. Bilandic Building, and livestreamed on the IGB website, IGB staff will conduct live drawings to determine the appearance order for new casino license applicant presentations from the South Suburbs and Waukegan at the October 13, 2021 special IGB meeting.

Announced by IGB Administrator Marcus Fruchter at the September 9, 2021 IGB meeting, the IGB will hold a special meeting on October 13 at 9:00 A.M. to further the statutorily-mandated competitive selection process for the Waukegan and South Suburban casino licenses. Each of the four applicants for the sole license to be awarded in the South Suburbs will have an opportunity to present their projects in order to assist the Board in narrowing the field down to three finalists as required by Section 7.5(5) of the Illinois Gambling Act (the “IGA”). The three applicants for the single license to be awarded in Waukegan will be able to discuss their proposals under IGA section 7.5(6). All applicants will also address why they would be suitable for licensure under Casino Rule 3000.230(c)(2) should they be selected as the winning bid for licensure in their respective host community.

IGB staff will conduct three drawings on September 30, 2021. The first drawing will be to decide which host community applicants – Waukegan or the South Suburbs – will present first on October 13. The drawing will be random, and whichever location is pulled first will be the first topic for discussion at the special meeting. The second and third drawings will be amongst applicants from each host community to determine the presentation order within each respective applicant pool.

The drawings will be livestreamed on the Board’s website via WebEx and can be viewed on September 30, 2021 at: <https://multimedia.illinois.gov/igb/igb-live.html>

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