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'HOST COMMUNITY' MEETING NOTIFICATION AND GUIDELINES

**The Massachusetts Gaming Commission to Hold
'Host Community' Public Hearing for MGM Springfield Proposal**
*Public input meetings offer opportunity for community members to directly provide the
Commission feedback on resort-casino proposals*

WHO: Members of the **Massachusetts Gaming Commission**, representatives from resort-casino applicant **MGM Springfield** and members of the public

WHAT: The Massachusetts Gaming Commission will hold a 'host community' public hearing in Springfield, MA as a means to facilitate public discussion regarding the recently submitted MGM Springfield Category 1 or resort-casino application. This public hearing is in addition to meetings held by the Commission in neighboring communities to the proposal. The purpose of these meetings is to provide members of the public with an additional opportunity to address the resort-casinos applicants and the Commission. The meetings will also serve as a vehicle at which the community can receive updates from applicants on their resort-casino proposals and mitigation strategies. No vote or decisions will be made at these hearings; they are opportunities for the Commission to gather information and gauge public sentiment relative to the applications. Find the official [Meeting Notifications and Agenda](#), on the MassGaming.com website.

In addition, a **LIVE STREAM** of this meeting will be available on the homepage of [MassGaming.com](#).

WHEN/WHERE: **Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 4:00pm**
MGM Springfield Proposal
MassMutual Center Ballroom
1277 Main Street, Springfield, MA



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GUIDELINES:

From its inception, MassGaming has committed to ensuring an open, transparent and participatory process. In addition to participation at the host community meetings, the Commission is accepting written comments on an ongoing basis. Interested parties may submit written comments to MassGaming via email at mgccomments@state.ma.us. All comments received via email will be made public and will be distributed to members of the Commission for their review prior to the meeting.

Public officials from a host or surrounding community, representatives of interested parties and members of the host or surrounding communities who wish to speak at one of the scheduled host community meetings may place their name on a list of speakers by sending an email to mgccomments@state.ma.us with '**Request to address the Commission/name of applicant**' in the subject line. In the body of the email, the Commission respectfully requests that you include your name and town of residence.

In order to use the available time most efficiently, the Commission reserves the right to limit the amount of time for speakers depending on attendance at the meetings and also requests that speakers are limited to the region regarding these specific resort-casino applications.

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