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## Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

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**Date/Time:** June 28, 2017 – 10:00 a.m.

**Place:** Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
101 Federal Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Present:**

Chairman Stephen P. Crosby	Elaine Driscoll
Commissioner Gayle Cameron	John Glennon
Commissioner Lloyd Macdonald	Jill Griffin
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Alexandra Lightbown
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga	Loretta Lillios
Bruce Band	Janice Reilly
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Edward Bedrosian, Jr.	John Ziemba
Catherine Blue	

### Call to Order

10:04 a.m. Chairman Crosby called to order the 15<sup>th</sup> Agenda Setting meeting.

### Approval of Minutes

*Commissioner Macdonald moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on May 17, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. Commissioners Cameron and Stebbins abstained from the vote as they were not present at the meeting. Motion passed 3 to 0 with 2 abstentions.*

*Commissioner Macdonald moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on May 31, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stebbins. Commissioner Cameron and Chairman Crosby abstained from the vote as they were not present at the meeting. Motion passed 3 to 0 with 2 abstentions.*

*Commissioner Zuniga moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on June 14, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stebbins. Chairman Crosby noted that at item #28 – the September date should be the 28<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Macdonald abstained from the vote as he was not present at the meeting. Motion passed 4 to 0 with 1 abstention.*

## **Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings**

*(Potential Commission Meeting on 6/28/17)*

Item #1 – Administrative Update. Executive Director Edward Bedrosian, Jr. reported that he will have an update.

Item #2 – Mitigation Fund Applications Review Continued. Chairman Cosby reported that this item will take place today.

*(Potential Commission Meeting on 7/13/17)*

Item #3 – Suffolk Downs Request for RHDF (Race Horse Development Fund) for NEHBPA (New England Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association) Administrative Expenses. Director Alexandra Lightbown reported that this may be ready to go on 7/13.

Additional items:

Chairman Crosby noted that there will be a vote on a small business impact statement (205 CMR 134).

(Under Review - July)

Item #4 – Plainridge Park Casino Operation Report. Janice Reilly reported that Director Mark Vander Linden is traveling. She stated that she will confirm with Director Vander Linden if this item is ready to go in July.

Item #5 – Patron and License Plate Survey Report. Janice Reilly reported that she will confirm with Director Vander Linden if this item is ready to go in July.

Item #6 – Wynn Pedestrian Bridge Study. Ombudsman John Ziemba reported that this item should be ready to go and it will require a vote.

Item #7 – Department of Public Health (“DPH”) Update. Commissioner Zuniga reported that DPH requested to put this matter on for August.

Item #8 – Slot Machine Lease Agreements with Revenue Share. Executive Director Bedrosian requested to keep this item under review.

Item #9 – Licensee Diversity Audit Process Update. Director Jill Griffin reported that this item is ready to go.

Item #10 – Construction Trades Diversity Recruitment Initiative. Director Griffin reported that this item is ready to go. She stated that we will need to allow time for about six speakers.

Item #11 – Vendor Diversity Exemption Process. Director Griffin reported to keep this matter on for July, but it may need to be moved to August.

Janice Reilly stated that she will follow up with staff on the date of the next Agenda Setting meeting. Chairman Crosby suggested August 2<sup>nd</sup> for the next Agenda Setting meeting.

Item #12 – Outside Director Investigation Proposed Regulation Change. Director Karen Wells

reported that Todd Grossman completed an analysis. She stated that they will need to do two by two's with the Commissioners. General Counsel Catherine Blue suggested moving this item to August.

Item #13 – Analysis of Authority to Issue Fines. Executive Director Bedrosian stated to keep this item on for now.

Item #14 – Licensing Quarterly Report. Director Wells reported that this item is ready to go.

Item #15 – Veteran Business Enterprise Certification. Director Griffin requested to move this item to August.

Item #16 – Veteran Business Enterprise Definition Regulation. Director Griffin requested to move this item to August.

Item #17 – Review MGC Mission and Values. Executive Director Bedrosian requested to move this item to August.

Item #18 – Review MGC Enhanced Code of Ethics. Executive Director Bedrosian requested to move this item to August.

Additional items:

Commissioner Stebbins requested to add the Western Mass colleges to the agenda in July. He stated that they will talk about their gaming school.

Director Wells requested to add an MGM suitability report to the agenda in July.

(Under Review - August)

Item #19 – PlayMyWay Evaluation Report. Chairman Crosby reported that this item may be ready.

Item #20 – MA Gaming Impact Cohort Study Report. Chairman Crosby reported that he is not sure if this item will go. Commissioner Zuniga stated that they can report on the status at the next Agenda Setting meeting.

Item #21 – Licensee Quarterly Reports. Ombudsman John Ziemba reported that this item is ready to go in August. He will have 2 reports. He stated that Plainridge Park Casino will be ready to go in September.

Item #22 – GPAC (Gaming Policy Advisory Committee) Reappointments. Ombudsman Ziemba reported that this item can probably go in August. He also reported that they still do not have a GPAC Chair. He stated he has communicated with the Governor's Office regarding the status of the Chair. He also stated that no meetings have been scheduled.

Item #23 – Hearing Process Regulations Discussion. Executive Director Bedrosian requested to put this item on the agenda in August.

Item #24 – Responsible Gaming Framework Review. Executive Director Bedrosian reported that this item is still under review.

Item #25 – LMS Update. Executive Director Bedrosian reported that this item may go in September. He reported that there will be two by two meetings with the Commissioners.

Additional items:

Director Griffin requested to add a potential discussion on the Portuguese Business Enterprise matter.

(Under Review – September)

Item #26 – MGM Workforce Development Plan Update. Director Griffin reported that this item is on target for the meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Item #27 – 5 Year Look Back. Commissioner Zuniga reported that this item will be ready in September.

(Under Review)

Director Griffin requested to add a community college update for Region A.

With regard to the gaming service employee matter, Chairman Crosby suggested going through a process to decide who will be exempted. Commissioner Cameron suggested waiting for MGM and the Investigations and Enforcement Bureau to get together first and then come to us with suggestions. Director Griffin suggested a staff level discussion first. Executive Director Bedrosian suggested letting our licensees go over the first cut. Commissioner Stebbins stated that he likes the idea of our licensees starting the process. Chairman Crosby stated that we will not make this an agenda item, but we will start the ball rolling.

Ombudsman Ziemba requested to add the Plainridge Park Casino quarterly report to the agenda in September.

**Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated**

10:29 a.m. *Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Cameron. Motion seconded by Commissioner Zuniga. Motion passed unanimously.*

**List of Documents and Other Items Used**

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated June 28, 2017
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated June 26, 2017
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated May 17, 2017
4. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated May 31, 2017
5. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated June 14, 2017

/s/ Catherine Blue  
Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary