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The Massachusetts Gaming Commission Declines to Award Resort-Casino License in Southeastern Massachusetts

Today the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) voted against awarding a commercial resort-casino license in Southeastern Massachusetts (Region C). After a detailed and comprehensive evaluation process, the five gaming commissioners voted 4-1 via roll call to not issue the resort-casino license to the sole applicant, Mass Gaming & Entertainment, LLC (MG&E). Chairman Steve Crosby and Commissioners Gayle Cameron, Bruce Stebbins and Enrique Zuniga voted to not award the license, while Commissioner Lloyd Macdonald voted in favor of awarding the license.

Beginning on April 26, 2016 at the Shaw's Center in Brockton, the members of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission presented their reviews of the category 1 RFA-2 application submitted by MG&E for a resort-casino proposal in Brockton. Each of the five commissioners took the lead on overseeing a group of advisers and industry experts to evaluate the application based the Commission's key evaluation categories including: **Finance, Economic Development, Building & Site Design, Mitigation** and **General / Overview**. To view summaries of overall findings, analysis and ratings, visit this [blog post](#) on MassGaming.com.

For a comprehensive archive of all meeting materials including evaluation presentations and their corresponding reports, visit the [Meeting Archive](#).

"We evaluated and deliberated as thoroughly and comprehensively as we possibly could. These decisions are difficult and we acknowledge can be very disappointing for the invested participants. However in the end, the Commission has a responsibility to make a big decision in view of all considerations and that includes the best long-term interests of the Commonwealth," said Chairman Steve Crosby. "I would like to take this opportunity to commend the applicant Mass Gaming & Entertainment LLC for their commitment and hard work, to acknowledge the City of Brockton and Mayor Bill Carpenter for his advocacy and passion for his community, and my fellow commissioners, MGC staff and those who participated in the evaluation process for their dedication and meticulous attention to detail."

About MassGaming

The mission of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission is to create a fair, transparent, and participatory process for implementing the expanded gaming law passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in November, 2011. In creating that process, the Commission will strive to ensure that its decision-making and regulatory systems engender the confidence of the public and participants, and that they provide the greatest possible economic development benefits and revenues to the people of the Commonwealth, reduce to the maximum extent possible the potentially negative or unintended consequences of the new legislation, and allow an appropriate return on investment for gaming providers that assures the operation of casino-resorts of the highest quality. For more information on MGC, please visit MassGaming.com or connect and share on Twitter ([@MassGamingComm](https://twitter.com/MassGamingComm)) or Facebook www.facebook.com/MAGamingComm.



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