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### **Meeting Notification**

#### **The Massachusetts Gaming Commission to hold Public Meeting**

*Topics include Horse Racing, Plainridge Park Casino License Renewal, Community Mitigation Fund, Research and Responsible Gaming and Budget Year 2021*

**WHO:** Members of the *Massachusetts Gaming Commission* including **Chair Cathy Judd-Stein** and **Commissioners Gayle Cameron, Eileen O'Brien, Bruce Stebbins, and Enrique Zuniga**

**WHAT:** The Massachusetts Gaming Commission will hold public meeting #308 on **Thursday, June 18, 2020.**

After an approval of minutes, MGC Director of Racing Dr. Alex Lightbown will provide updates on racing legislation and simulcasting at Suffolk Downs and Raynham Park.

Interim Executive Director Karen Wells and MGC staff members will request that the Commission vote on the following:

- Plainridge Park Casino License Renewal – **VOTE**
- MGM Springfield Suitability Qualifier – **VOTE**
- Encore Boston Harbor Suitability Qualifier – **VOTE**

Construction Project Oversight Manager Joseph Delaney and Program Manager Mary Thurlow will present on Group 1 of the Community Mitigation Fund Application Review process. A vote on this matter is anticipated.

Director of Research and Responsible Gaming Mark Vander Linden, alongside Dr. Rachel Volberg, will report on Gambling Formats, Involvement and Problem Gambling.

Chief Financial and Accounting Officer Derek Lennon, members from the MGC's Finance Division and Commissioner Zuniga will lead a discussion on Budget Year 2021.

For a complete list of agenda items and anticipated votes, [view the official Meeting Notification and Agenda.](#)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited



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relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology. If there is any technical problem with our remote connection, an alternative conference line will be noticed immediately on our website: [MassGaming.com](http://MassGaming.com).

Community members are also invited to follow along with live meeting updates by connecting with the Commission on Twitter, [@MassGamingComm](https://twitter.com/MassGamingComm).

**WHERE:** Conference Call Number: 1-646-741-5293, Meeting ID: 112 031 9597

**WHEN:** **Thursday, June 18, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.**



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