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Meeting Notification

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission to hold Public Meeting

Topics include: Research and Responsible Gaming, MGM Springfield, Racing Division, Investigations and Enforcement Bureau, 2021 Community Mitigation Fund

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

WHAT: The Massachusetts Gaming Commission will hold public meeting #343 on **Thursday, May 6, 2021**.

After an approval of minutes, Executive Director Karen Wells will provide an administrative update, which will include the following:

- Staff Introduction
- Research and Responsible Gaming International Jurisdiction Collaboration
- On-site Casino Updates

Representatives from MGM Springfield will then present the licensee's quarterly report.

Licensing Division Chief Nakisha Skinner will ask that the Commission vote on the following:

- MGM Service Employee Exemption Request – 205 CMR 134.03(1)(b) – **VOTE**
- MGM Gaming Beverage License Amendment – 205 CMR 136.03(1) – **VOTE**

Director of Racing Dr. Alex Lightbown and Financial Analyst Chad Bourque will request a Commission vote on Quarterly Local Aid Payments.

Director of the Investigations and Enforcement Bureau Loretta Lillios and Senior Enforcement Counsel Katherine Hartigan will ask that the Commission vote on a qualifier for Plainridge Park Casino.

Chief Finance and Accounting Officer Derek Lennon and Commissioner Zuniga will lead a discussion related to the MGC's budget.

General Counsel Todd Grossman and Associate General Counsel Carrie Torrisi will request a Commission vote on the following:

- **205 CMR 146:13:** Blackjack Table; Card Reader Device; Physical Characteristics; Inspections; **205 CMR 146:49:** Cards: Receipt. Storage.



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Inspections, and Removal from Use; **205 CMR 146.51**: Dealing Shoes: Automated Shuffling Devices – This is an administrative change that will remove all references to the 6-to-5 blackjack variation from the regulation – and Amended Small Business Impact Statement, for approval to finalize the promulgation process – **VOTE**

Associate General Counsel Caitlin Monahan will then provide an update on Tribal Matters.

Community Affairs Division Chief Joe Delaney, alongside Senior Enforcement Counsel Katherine Hartigan and Program Manager Mary Thurlow, will review applications for the 2021 Community Mitigation Fund related to Public Safety Impact, Transportation Planning & Construction, and Community Planning. Votes on these matters are anticipated.

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 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.

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

WHERE: Conference Call Number: 1-646-741-5293, Meeting ID: 112 483 3235

WHEN: **Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**



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