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### **Meeting Notification**

## **The Massachusetts Gaming Commission to hold Public Hearing & Meetings on Category 1 Sports Wagering License Applications**

**WHO:** Members of the *Massachusetts Gaming Commission* including **Chair Cathy Judd-Stein** and **Commissioners Brad Hill, Jordan Maynard, Eileen O'Brien, and Nakisha Skinner**

**WHAT:** The MGC will hold a public hearing on **Monday, December 5**, as well as a trio of public meetings on **Tuesday, December 6, Wednesday, December 7, and Thursday, December 8, 2022.**

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission will hold a public hearing and three public meetings next week regarding applications for Category 1 Sports Wagering Licenses. Those events will be held in successive days – from Monday through Thursday – beginning at 10 a.m. each morning.

Monday's Public Hearing is meant to provide the public an opportunity to give comment(s) on the existing applications for Category 1 Sports Wagering Licenses, [which can be found on the Commission's website](#). Those wishing to speak at the hearing should email [MGCComments@massgaming.gov](mailto:MGCComments@massgaming.gov) in advance to be placed on the list of speakers. Alternatively, written comments may also be submitted to the same email address with **'Category 1 public comment' in the subject line**. Written comments will be accepted on a rolling basis by the Commission.

All three subsequent public meetings are expected to follow similar schedules, as detailed below. The Commission will consider the application of Plainville Gaming Redevelopment, LLC (d/b/a Plainridge Park Casino) on Tuesday, December 6, the application of Blue Tarp reDevelopment, LLC (d/b/a MGM Springfield) on Wednesday, December 7, and the application of Wynn MA LLC (d/b/a Encore Boston Harbor) on Thursday, December 8.

First, a legal framework relative to the award of a sports wagering license will be presented by General Counsel Todd Grossman. The applicant will then give a presentation of its application to the Commission in accordance with 205 CMR 218.06(3).

That will be followed by presentations and analysis relevant to the review and evaluation the application, which is comprised of three parts: technical components, a report on the applicant's suitability, and a financial and economic impact analysis.



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A review and evaluation of the application is then set to follow, including, but not limited to, consideration of (1) experience and expertise related to Sports Wagering, (2) economic impact and other benefits to the Commonwealth if a license is awarded, (3) proposed measures related to responsible gaming, (4) an applicant's willingness to foster racial, ethnic, and gender diversity, equity and inclusion, (5) technology intended to be used, (6) suitability of the applicant and qualifiers, (7) and other appropriate factors.

The Commission is then expected to meet in Executive Session following that portion of each meeting.

There is also time reserved at the end of the meeting for other business the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of this posting.

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For a complete list of agenda items and anticipated votes, view the official Meeting Notifications and Agendas [on the Commission's website](#). A **LIVE STREAM** will be available at [MassGaming.com](#). Community members are also invited to follow along with live meeting updates by connecting with the Commission on Twitter, [@MassGamingComm](#).

Please note that the Commission will conduct this public meeting remotely utilizing remote collaboration technology. Use of this technology is intended to ensure an adequate, alternative means of public access to the Commission's deliberations for any interested member of the public. If there is any technical problem with the Commission's remote connection, an alternative conference line will be noticed immediately on our website: [MassGaming.com](#).

**WHERE:** Conference Call Number: 1-646-741-5292

Monday Meeting ID: 111 869 7373

Tuesday Meeting ID: 112 251 8495

Wednesday Meeting ID: 112 421 2543

Thursday Meeting ID: 111 778 3072



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