

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, and Chapter 107 of the Session Acts of 2022, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the **Massachusetts Gaming Commission**. The meeting will take place:

Wednesday | January 29, 2025| 10:00 a.m. VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292 MEETING ID/ PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 651 4682

Please note that the Commission will conduct this public meeting remotely utilizing 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 <u>www.massgaming.com</u>.

PUBLIC MEETING #185

- 1. Call to Order Jordan Maynard, Chair
- Minutes from Commission Agenda Setting Meetings

 January 15, 2025

VOTE

- 3. Agenda Planning for Upcoming Public Commission Meetings. (See following pages.)
- 4. Commissioner Updates
- 5. Other Business Reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of posting.

I certify that on this date, this Notice was posted as "Massachusetts Gaming Commission Meeting" at <u>www.massgaming.com</u> and emailed to: <u>regs@sec.state.ma.us</u>. <u>Date Posted to</u> <u>Website</u>: January 27, 2025 | 10:00 a.m. EST

January 27, 2025

Jordan M. Maynard, Chair

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MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION

AGENDA PLANNING

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Туре	Topic/Note
30-Jan	Adjudicatory Hearing	PSI Suitability
6-Feb	Public Meeting	9:30AM start
12-Feb	Agenda Setting	
24-Feb	Public Meeting	Monday meeting
26-Feb	HOLD: Adjudicatory Hearing	Durable Suitability
27-Feb	HOLD: Adjudicatory Hearing	Durable Suitability
5-Mar	Agenda Setting	
13-Mar	Public Meeting	
19-Mar	Agenda Setting	
27-Mar	Public Meeting	
30-Apr	Adjudicatory Hearing	Durable Suitability
14-May	Adjudicatory Hearing	License Renewal

NOTE: No meetings scheduled during the week of February 17th

MEETING DATE Thursday, February 6, 2025

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative	Time (minutes)
1	Administrative Update	Serpa, D.	
2	Meeting Minutes	Skinner, N.; Young, J.	
3	Legislative Update	Hill, B.	
4	Regulations:	Grossman, T.	
5	Sports Wagering:	Torrisi, C.	
6	Non-Compliance Matters: Caesars	Monahan, C.	
7	DPH Discussion	All Commissioners; Serpa, D.	
8	Mid-Year Budget Update	Lennon, D.	
9	Plainridge Request for Reimbursement for capital project	Lightbown, A.	
10	Raynham Facility Relocation	Lightbown, A.	
		Total Time	0

NOTE: 9:30AM Start Time

MEETING DATE Monday, February 24, 2025

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative	Time (minutes)
1	Administrative Update	Serpa, D.	
2	Meeting Minutes	Skinner, N.; Young, J.	
3	Legislative Update	Hill, B.	
4	Regulations:	Grossman, T.	
5	Sports Wagering:	Torrisi, C.	
6	Non-Compliance Matters	Monahan, C.	
7	HOLD: Quarterly Reports	Delaney, J.	
8	Discussion on Capital Expenditures and ILEV Impact - Executive Session anticipated	Delaney, J.	
		Total Time	0

MEETING DATE Thursday, March 13, 2025

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2	Meeting Minutes	Skinner, N.; Young, J.	
3	Legislative Update	Hill, B.	
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UNDER REVIEW

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative	Status
1	Compliance Committee	O'Brien, E.	Under Review
2	Discussion of Illegal Markets	Skinner, N.; O'Brien, E.; Grossman, T.	Under Review
3	Early Economic Impact of Sports Betting in the Commonwealth	Vander Linden, M.; Andrews, B.	Under Review
4	Staff Evaluations	All Commissioners	Under Review
5	Debrief on Tyson/Paul Event and Discussion of Procedure Related to Changes in Approved Event Rules	Torrisi, C.	Under Review
6	Discussion on catalogue language for UFC	Skinner, N.; Torrisi, C.	Under Review
7	Revere HCA	All Commissioners	Under Review
8	205 CMR 256 - SW Advertising and Marketing	Stempeck, J.	Under Review
9	FY24 Research Summary and Findings and Recommendations	Vander Linden, M.	Under Review
10	Update on employment and vendor diversity	Lennon, D.; Sundai, B.	Under Review

Assigned meeting dates are subject to change.



Date/Time: January 15, 2025 – 10:00 a.m. EST

Place:Massachusetts Gaming CommissionVIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292MEETING ID: 111 939 3338

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1. Call to Order

Chair Jordan Maynard called Agenda Setting Meeting #184 of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission") to order at 10:08 A.M.

Quorum was confirmed for the meeting by roll call. The following Commissioners were present for the meeting:

Chair Jordan Maynard Commissioner Eileen O'Brien Commissioner Bradford Hill Commissioner Nakisha Skinner Commissioner Paul Brodeur

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. December 11, 2024

Commissioner Skinner moved to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2024 agenda setting meeting, included in the Commissioner's packet and subject to necessary corrections for typographical errors or non-material matters. Commissioner O'Brien seconded.

Roll Call Vote:	
Commissioner O'Brien	Aye.
Commissioner Hill	Aye.
Commissioner Skinner	Aye.
Commissioner Brodeur	Aye.
Chair Maynard	Aye.

The motion passed 5-0.

3. Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission discussed the anticipated agendas for the upcoming meetings scheduled and additional agenda items for subsequent meetings described in the attached agenda planning notice, as follows:

Items For Public Meeting – January 16, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Sports Wagering – Quarterly reports.

Items For Public Meeting – January 23, 2024 – 9:30 AM EST

<u>Item #1 – Administrative Update</u> – Executive Director Serpa tentatively confirmed this item.

<u>Item #2 – Meeting Minutes</u> – Commissioner Skinner confirmed six sets of minutes would come forward.

<u>Item #3 – Legislative Update</u> – Commissioner Hill confirmed there would be no updates.

<u>Item #4 – Regulations: 205 CMR 243.02</u> – General Counsel Grossman and Associate Counsel Wang confirmed this item would come forward. Deputy General Counsel Stempeck confirmed that data privacy regulation 205 CMR 257 would also come forward for final promulgation.

<u>Item #5 – Sports Wagering</u> – Chief Torrisi confirmed an item would come forward regarding FanDuel's KYC and she would request an executive session as part of this agenda item.

<u>Add-on-Item – Sports Wagering – PWHL Event Petition</u> – Manager Steffen requested this item for discussion.

<u>Add-on-Item – Sports Wagering – Exhibition Matches</u> – Manager Steffen requested this item for discussion and consideration of options.

<u>Item #6 – Early Economic Impact of Sports Betting</u> – Director Vander Linden requested to move this item to under review due to expansion of the report to a larger economic impact report.

<u>Item #7 – GameSense Quarterly Report</u> – Director Vander Linden confirmed this item would come forward.

<u>Item #8 – Plainridge Park Casino's request for reimbursement for capital project</u> – Dr. Lightbown requested to move this item to the February 6, 2025 public meeting.

<u>Add-on-Item – Twin Spires' non-compliance with Michigan</u> – Dr. Lightbown requested this item for discussion and noted that Twin Spires is an advanced deposit wagering (ADW) provider in Massachusetts. She requested the Legal Division to be a part of this discussion.

<u>Add-on-Item – Raynham</u> – Dr. Lightbown requested this item for discussion relating to Raynham's plan to move to a new tote company named Global Tote (which is the same company that Plainridge uses) in about sixty (60) days.

<u>Add-on-Item – Horse Health at Plainridge Park Casino</u> – Dr. Lightbown requested this item for discussion. Commissioner Hill mentioned that he and Commissioner O'Brien met recently about updates and feel it is an important update to provide to the Commission.

<u>Item #9 – Sports Wagering Non-Compliance Matters</u> – IEB Director Monahan confirmed this item would come forward. Additionally, she suggested that due to the volume of non-compliance matters expected to come forward over the next few weeks, that this item would remain as a standing item. Chair Maynard confirmed consensus with his fellow Commissioners for this to remain a standing item.

<u>Item #10 – Compliance Update Report</u> – Chief Torrisi confirmed this item would come forward to provide an update on the compliance officers' audit of operator's compliance with 205 CMR 254 and 205 CMR 255 regarding play management tools.

<u>Add-on-Item – Federal Legislative Update</u> – Deputy General Counsel Stempeck suggested moving this item from under review to provide a brief update on the federal judiciary subcommittee hearing regarding potential federal oversight (via the proposed SAFE Bet Act) of sports wagering that took place in December 2024.

Items For Public Meeting – February 6, 2024 – 9:30 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Serpa confirmed this item.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Commissioner Skinner confirmed minutes would come forward.

Item #3 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill tentatively confirmed this item.

<u>Item #4 – Regulations</u> – General Counsel Grossman confirmed there are no regulations anticipated.

Item #5 – Sports Wagering – Chief Torrisi tentatively confirmed this item.

Item #6 – DPH Discussion – Executive Director Serpa confirmed this item.

Item #7-Mid Year Budget Update - CFAO Lennon requested this item.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

 $\underline{\text{Item } \#1-\text{Compliance Committee}} - \text{Commissioner O'Brien confirmed that this item would remain under review.}$

<u>Item #2 – HCA Compliance Update (All Properties)</u> – Commissioner Skinner and Chief Delaney requested to remove this item from this list, given the internal discussions necessary to happen

before this item is presented. It was anticipated that this item may come back for discussion this summer.

<u>Item #3 – Discussion of Illegal Markets</u> – Commissioner O'Brien confirmed this item would remain under review and mentioned the need to touch base with the AG's office.

<u>Item #4 – Staff Evaluations – Executive Director Serpa</u> – Chair Maynard confirmed this item would remain under review.

<u>Item #5 – Update/Discussion on exhibitions included in the event catalogue</u> – Chief Torrisi confirmed that part of this item was moved to the February 6, 2025 meeting and that part of this item would remain under review. The part remaining under review was requested by Commissioner O'Brien for a debrief on the Tyson/Paul event and a discussion about whether the Commission would like to implement some sort of process or rules for how the Commission would respond to changes in rules for events approved under the catalogue.

<u>Item #6 – Federal Legislation Update</u> – Deputy General Counsel Stempeck requested to move this item to the January 23, 2025 meeting.

<u>Item #7 – Discussion on catalogue language for UFC</u> – Chief Torrisi confirmed this item would remain under review. Previously, Commissioner Skinner requested an item regarding the Russian and Belarusian prohibition and making some adjustments to the sports wagering catalog language, with the understanding the prohibition language would come forward to the Commission for additional discussion on a later date.

<u>Item #8 – Revere HCA</u> – Commissioner O'Brien confirmed this item would remain under review. She noted there was a recent correspondence from Revere and a question about EBH expanding across the street.

<u>Add-on Item – Regulation – 205 CMR 256</u> – Deputy General Counsel Stempeck requested this item pertaining to Sports Wagering Advertising and Marketing. He noted discussions have focused on the "advised" or "encouraged" language in the regulations to provide more clarification.

<u>Add-on-Item – Quarterly Reports with Licensees</u> – Chief Delaney requested this item for the February 24, 2025 public meeting. He stated that an executive session would be requested to discuss capital expenditures and noted there would be an additional discussion on the impact on live entertainment venues. Commissioner O'Brien noted that she will be available beginning at 10:00 am for the February 24, 2025 public meeting.

<u>Add-on- Item – FY24 Summary of Research Findings and Recommendations</u> – Director Mark Vander Linden requested this item.

<u>Add-on Item – Raynham Facility Relocation</u> – Dr. Lightbown requested this item and provided an update that Raynham is planning to move from where they are located to the simulcast facility they are developing and aiming for a date in March 2025. General Counsel Grossman commented this is appropriate for a public review. Commissioner O'Brien stated she would like information regarding the ADW being 18+ and 21+ plans for patrons. Chair Maynard commented he believes

the GEU is aware and has already visited the building. Dr. Lightbown and General Counsel Grossman suggested this item would be added to the February 6, 2025 meeting.

<u>Add-on-Item – Diversity Update</u> – Commissioner Skinner requested an update on employment and vendor diversity from the HR and procurement teams.

4. Commissioner Updates

None.

5. Other Business

Having no further business, Commissioner O'Brien moved to adjourn. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:	
Commissioner O'Brien	Aye.
Commissioner Hill	Aye.
Commissioner Skinner	Aye.
Commissioner Brodeur	Aye.
Chair Maynard	Aye.

The motion passed unanimously 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:37 A.M.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

- 1. Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated January 15, 2025.
- 2. December 11, 2024, Agenda Setting Minutes.

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

January 16 (Public Quarterly – Reports) January 23 (Public) January 29 (Agenda Setting) January 30 (Adjudicatory Hearing – PSI Durable Suitability) February 6 (Public) February 12 (Agenda) February 26 (HOLD: Adjudicatory Hearing) February 27 (HOLD: Adjudicatory Hearing)