

NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA June 30, 2021

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

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, and Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The meeting will take place:

Wednesday, June 30, 2021 10:00 a.m. Massachusetts Gaming Commission VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292 PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 777 0084

PUBLIC MEETING #104

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Approval of minutes
 - a. May 26, 2021
 - b. June 9, 2021
- 3. Agenda planning for upcoming Commission Meetings (see attachment)
- 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>, melissa.andrade@state.ma.us.

Monday, June 28, 2021

Cathy Judd - Stein, Chair

Date Posted to Website: June 28, 2021 10:00 a.m.

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MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION AGENDA PLANNING NOTES	Assigned Person	Documen ts Due For Books	Potential Commiss ion Meeting *	NOTES
1. Administrative Update	K. Wells		All Agendas	
2. Regulations (will be added per meeting)	T. Grossman		As Needed	
3. Legislative Updates	T. Grossman J. Griffin C. Howard		As Needed	
4. Race Horse Development Benefits for Drivers and Jockeys	T. Grossman Dr. Lightbown	7/8/21	7/15/21	VOTE
5. MGC Employee Vendor and Diversity	K. Wells D. Lennon J. Griffin	7/9/21	7/15/21 & Dec.	
6. Responsible Gaming Framework Follow-Up	M. Vander Linden M. Flores-Pajot	7/9/21	7/15/21	
7. ILEV Review Process	E. Zuniga J. Delaney J. Griffin		Under Review	
8. MGM REIT Interim Authorizations	L. Lillios		Under Review	
9. Hiring Authority – Executive Director	K. Wells		Under Review	
*Assigned meeting dates are to change				



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting

Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: May 26, 2021 – 9:00 a.m

Place: VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292 PARTICIPANT CODE: 112-162-9908

Call to Order

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein called to order the 102nd Agenda-Setting meeting. She noted that given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor 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 conducted a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology.

The Chair confirmed a quorum for the meeting by Roll Call. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Commissioner Cameron Commissioner O'Brien Commissioner Zuniga Chair Judd-Stein

Approval of Agenda Setting Minutes

Commissioner O'Brien moved to approve the agenda setting meeting minutes from May 12,2021, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters.Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion.Roll Call Vote:Commissioner CameronAyeCommissioner O'BrienAyeCommissioner ZunigaAyeChair Judd-SteinAyeThe motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission discussed the anticipated agenda for the upcoming Commission meeting scheduled for June 3, 2021, and subsequent meetings as described in the attached agenda planning notes, as follows:

<u>Item #1 – Administrative Update</u>- Executive Director Wells stated that she had three matters to present before the Commission. (1) An update with the Communications division with Austin Bumpus; (2) a staff recognition for Interim Communications Director Sarah Magazine who is departing from MGC; and (3) the onsite casino update from Assistant IEB Director and Gaming Agents Chief Bruce Band, and IEB Director Loretta Lillios

<u>Item #2 – Regulations</u>- General Counsel Grossman indicated there are not any regulations or other legal matters in need of public review by the Commission but he did have another matter and that pertains to the transfer of interest involving the real property at MGM Springfield. He indicated that the Commission has received notice of an intent from MGM to transfer the property into a REIT similar to the transaction that happened with PPC. He then touched on the procedure that the Commission follows to ultimately determine whether to approve the transaction. There are a couple of threshold issues that have been raised that will acquire the Commissions immediate attention, however, and proposed adding the matter to next public meeting agenda June 17th. He noted that they are essentially the same issues the Commissioners looked at when they reviewed the GLPI transfer of PPC and relates to the term of years of the lease that would result from the transfer, and a review of the trust instrument that has been submitted and the proposed trustee.

<u>Item #3 – Legislative Updates</u>- Director of Diversity and Legislative Affairs Jill Griffin indicated there were not any new updates to report.

<u>Item #4 – Public Records Process</u> – Associate General Counsel Carrie Torrisi will be presenting this item as well as item #5, and both are ready for the June 3rd meeting.

Item #5 -- NDA Discussion- discussed with item #4.

<u>Item #6- Police Reform Bill</u>- Ms. Torrisi stated this item will be ready to present to the Commission at the June 3rd meeting.

<u>Item #7 –Community Mitigation Fund- Application Summary</u>- Joseph Delaney stated this item is ready for presentation to the Commission on June 3rd, but there is an additional item to add to the agenda as well pertaining to two of the workforce grants. These are the items in which additional funds may be available in addition amounts already granted by the Commission at a prior meeting.

<u>Item #8-Budget Discussion</u> – CFAO Derek Lennon stated this item will be ready to go before the Commission on June 3rd and that it will just be a discussion and he will set up two by twos in advance of the June 3rd and comeback for a vote June 17th meeting.

Add-On Item- Ms. Lillios stated IEB has a qualifier to Plainridge Park Casino ready for suitability determination by the Commission. This item will be added to the agenda.

<u>Item #9-</u><u>Budget Review</u> – Full Budget discussion and review and vote was scheduled for the June 17th Meeting.

<u>Item #10 - MGC Employee Vendor and Diversity</u> – Ms. Wells requested this item to be moved to the July 1^{st} meeting.

Add-On- Dr. Lightbown requested that the item pertaining to the distribution of funds from the Racehorse Development Fund for the benefit of jockeys and drivers be added to the agenda for June 17th meeting.

Future meetings

<u>Item #11-</u> <u>Request to amend PPC Racing Covid plan to allow up to three owners in Winners</u> <u>Circle</u> – Dr. Lightbown stated this can be taken off as it will be discussed at the public meeting that followed the agenda setting meeting.

<u>Item #12 – Responsible Gaming Framework- Follow up</u> – Mr. Vander Linden would like to add this item to the July 1^{st} meeting.

<u>Item #13 - ILEV Review Process</u> – Commissioner Zuniga stated this item should be kept under review for now as it is not time sensitive.

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

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Cameron: Aye. Commissioner O'Brien: Aye. Commissioner Zuniga: Aye. Chair Judd-Stein: Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda dated May 24, 2021

2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting

Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 – 10:00 a.m. Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-973-854-6173 PARTICIPANT CODE: 111 279 7015

Call to Order

Chair Judd-Stein called to order the 103rd agenda setting meeting. She noted that given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor 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, and that in keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission would conduct this meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology.

The Chair confirmed a quorum for the meeting by roll call. The following Commissioners were present:

Commissioner Gayle Cameron Commissioner Eileen O'Brien Commissioner Enrique Zuniga Chair Cathy Judd-Stein

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner O'Brien moved to approve the minutes from the agenda setting
meeting of May 12, 2021, subject to correction for typographical errors or other
nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion.Roll call vote:Commissioner Cameron:Aye.Commissioner Zuniga:Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein: Aye. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission discussed the anticipated agenda for the upcoming Commission meeting scheduled for June 17, 2021 and subsequent meetings as described in the attached agenda planning notes, as follows:

Item #1 – Administrative Update

Executive Director Karen Wells and Director of the IEB Loretta Lillios will be ready to present regarding casino operation updates at the next meeting.

Item #2 – Regulations

General Counsel Todd Grossman and Chief of the Licensing Division Nakisha Skinner asked to discuss Plainridge Park Casino's ("PPC") alcoholic beverage license renewal and expansion at the next meeting.

Item #3 – Legislative Updates

Director of Diversity and Legislative Affairs Jill Griffin will be ready to discuss the whitepaper on sports wagering at the next meeting, along with a responsible gaming framework by Director of Research and Responsible Gaming Mark Vander Linden.

<u>Item #4 – Budget Review</u> Commissioner Zuniga will be ready to present a budget review at the next meeting.

<u>Item #5 – MGM Transfer of Interest-REIT Threshold Issues</u> Mr. Grossman will be ready to present this item at the next meeting.

<u>Item #6 –Racehorse Development Benefits for Drivers and Jockeys</u> Director of Racing Dr. Alexandra Lightbown requested postponing this item until July 1. She suggested discussing PPC's new racing official at the next meeting.

Ms. Lillios suggested discussing casino qualifiers at the next meeting.

No other items were brought forward for the meeting on June 17, 2021.

The following items were discussed in regard to the meeting on July 1, 2021:

Item #7 – MGC Employee Vendor and Diversity

Director Wells will be ready to present this item. It will not require a vote.

Item #8 – Responsible Gaming Framework Follow-Up

Mr. Vander Linden suggested keeping this item on the agenda for July 1, although he may have to push it back.

No other items were brought forward for the meeting on July 1, 2021.

The following items described as "under review" were discussed as follows:

Item #10 –ILEV Review Process

Commissioner Zuniga recommended keeping this item under review.

<u>Item #14 – MGM REIT Interim Authorizations</u> Ms. Lillios recommended keeping this item under review.

Ms. Wells recommended keeping discussion of setting a standard around hiring authority under review.

10:43 a.m.Having no further business, Commissioner Zuniga made a motion to adjourn.
Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.
Roll call vote:
Commissioner Cameron:Aye.
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Commissioner O'Brien:
Aye.
Commissioner Zuniga:Aye.
Aye.
Chair Judd-Stein:
Aye.
The motion passed unanimously.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

- 1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, notice of meeting and agenda dated June 9, 2021
- 2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, agenda planning notes for June 9, 2021
- 3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, meeting minutes of the May 12, 2021 public meeting