

Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time:October 16, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.Place:Massachusetts Gaming Commission
101 Federal Street, 12th Floor
Boston, Massachusetts

Present:Commissioner Gayle Cameron
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga
Commissioner Eileen O'BrienLoretta Lillios
Karen WellsCommissioner Eileen O'Brien
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins
John Ziemba
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Derek Lennon
Alexandra Lightbown
Mark Vander Linden

Absent: Chair Cathy Judd-Stein

Call to Order

10:00 a.m. Commissioner Gayle Cameron called to order the 63rd Agenda Setting meeting. [Chair Judd-Stein is attending the annual G2E Conference.]

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Stebbins further moved to approve the minutes from the Agenda Setting Meeting of October 2, 2019, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters. He mentioned that September 18th 2019 meeting minutes are being finished and not part of today's packet. Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion. The motion passed with Cameron abstaining.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Scheduled Commission Meeting on October 24, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.)

<u>Item #1 – Administrative Update.</u> Ed Bedrosian will have an administrative update, to include Item #6 – Region C Follow-Up.

<u>Item #2 – Regulations.</u> The legal division will bring the Amended Small Business Impact Statement and final draft of 205 CMR 6.35: Pick (n) Pools for a vote to complete the promulgation process.

On the potential November 7th Commission meeting, the legal division will bring several draft racing regulation updates to the Commission for a vote to begin the promulgation process.

<u>Item #3 –Local Community Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee and Sub-Committee</u> <u>Appointments.</u> Mr. Ziemba will be presenting one nominee for a vote.

<u>Item #4 – GameSense Procurement Update.</u> Commissioner Zuniga would like to move this item to the November 21st Commission meeting.

<u>Item #5 – Draft Community Mitigation Fund Guidelines.</u> Mr. Ziemba will have the guidelines ready for review.

<u>Item #6 – Region C Follow-Up.</u> See Item #1.

<u>Item #7 – Gambling Behavior, Risk Factors for Problem Gambling and Public Health</u> <u>Recommendations: A Pilot Study in Boston's Chinatown.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this item ready with two presenters. There will be guests invited to attend the presentation. This item will be moved up to #2 on the meeting agenda.

(Potential Commission Meeting in Plainville on November 7, 2019)

<u>Item #8 – Plainridge Park Casino Quarterly Report.</u> Mr. Ziemba will have this report ready to present.

<u>Item #9 – Racing Update.</u> Dr. Lightbown will have this update ready. The update will discuss the closeout of Suffolk as well as the Spirit of Massachusetts.

<u>Item #10 – 2020 Racing Applications.</u> Dr. Lightbown will present this application to the Commission for a vote.

<u>Item #11 – Racing 2018 Annual Report.</u> Dr. Lightbown will have this report ready for the Commission's review.

<u>Item #12 – Racing Legislation Update.</u> Dr. Lightbown and Catherine Blue will have this update ready for presentation.

<u>Item #13 – NEHBPA Pension Fund Update.</u> Dr. Lightbown will have representatives at the meeting to update the Commission on status.

<u>Item #14 – Town of Plainville Economic Impact and New Employee Report.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this item ready. Rachel Volberg will present. <u>Item #15 – Year 4 Plainridge Park Casino Operations Report.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this item ready. Rachel Volberg will present.

<u>Item #16 – Town of Plainville and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – 3 & 4-</u> <u>Year Follow-Up.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this report ready, with Christopher Bruce presenting. This item combines with Item #17 below.

<u>Item #17 – MGM Springfield 8-Month Public Safety Report.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this report ready. Christopher Bruce will present.

<u>Item #18 – Encore Boston Harbor Baseline Public Safety Report.</u> Mr. Vander Linden will have this report ready. Christopher Bruce will present.

<u>Item #19 – Veteran Business Enterprise Spotlight.</u> Ms. Griffin will have this item ready to present with a guest speaker.

(Potential Commission Meeting on November 21, 2019)

<u>Item #20 – Gaming Economic Development Fund White Paper Update.</u> Commissioner Stebbins said this item will be moved to "Under Review" at this time.

(Potential Commission Meeting on December 5, 2019)

<u>Item #21 – Community Mitigation Fund Final Guidelines.</u> Mr. Ziemba will have the guidelines prepared and ready to present for a final vote.

<u>Item #22 Licensee Sexual Harassment Policies</u>. Commissioners Cameron and O'Brien may have this item ready for this meeting. We will check-in on the status at the next agendasetting meeting.

<u>Item #23 – Review of MGC Enhanced Code of Ethics</u>. This item may be ready for this meeting. The Commission will check-in on the status at the next agenda-setting meeting.

<u>Item #24 – Encore Boston Harbor 90-Day Commitments.</u> Mr. Ziemba and Joe Delaney will have this item ready to present.

<u>Item #25 – Local Community Mitigation Advisory Sub-Committee on Addiction Services</u> <u>Strategy.</u> This item will be moved to "Under Review" at this time.

(Under Review)

<u>Item #26 – FY20 1st Quarterly Report</u>. This report will be ready to present at the November 21st Commission meeting.

<u>Item #27 – New England Gaming Market Update.</u> This update is currently under review.

<u>Item #28 – Minority Equity Participation</u>. This item is in process. There is an event tentatively scheduled for November 14th A follow-up report should be ready for the December 5th Commission meeting.

<u>Item #29 – MGC 2019 Annual Report.</u> This item is in process.

<u>Item #30 – Game Sense Update.</u> This item is under review. Commissioner Zuniga noted that there may be a post-procurement presentation.

<u>Item #31 – Social and Economic Impact Research Procurement Update.</u> This update will be on the agenda for the November 21st Commission meeting.

(Quarterly)

<u>Item #32 – Licensee Quarterly Reports – MGM, PPC, & Encore.</u> The MGM and Encore Quarterly Reports will be presented on the November 21st Commission meeting.

Additional Items:

- 1. Racehorse Development Fund Split will be added to the November 7th Commission meeting agenda for vote. Catherine Blue
- Vendor Diversity Update (re Vericloud) will be added to the November 21st Commission meeting agenda. – Derek Lennon
- 10:30 a.m. Having no further business, Commissioner Zuniga made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

- 1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated October 16, 2019
- 2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated October 10, 2019
- 3. Meeting Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Agenda Setting meeting
- 4. Meeting Minutes of the October 2, 2019 Agenda Setting meeting

<u>/s/ Catherine Blue</u> Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary