



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 | May 1, 2024 | 10:00 a.m.
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
MEETING ID/ PARTICIPANT CODE: 111 450 6927

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PUBLIC MEETING #168

1. Call to Order – Jordan Maynard, Interim Chair
2. Minutes from Commission Agenda Setting Meetings
 - a. March 20, 2024 **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.

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April 29, 2024

Jordan M. Maynard, Interim Chair

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Massachusetts Gaming Commission

**MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION
AGENDA PLANNING**

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Type	Topic
9-May	Public Meeting	General
14-May	MGC Conference	
15-May	Agenda Setting	
21-May	HOLD: Wager Limitation Roundtable	
23-May	Public Meeting	General
29-May	Agenda Setting	
3-Jun	Public Meeting	SW Quarterly Reports
4-Jun	Adjudicatory Hearing	PPC Beverage License Renewal
30-Jul	Adjudicatory Hearing	MGM Beverage License Renewal

MEETING DATE
May 9, 2024

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative
1	Administrative Update	Serpa, D.
2	Meeting Minutes	Maynard, J.; Young, J.
3	Legislative Update	Hill, B.; Robinson, G.
4	Regulations	Grossman, T.
5	Sports Wagering: TGL Event Petition by BetMGM	Band, B.
6	Community Affairs Division: Continued Application Review (11)	Delaney, J.
7	FY24 3rd Quarter Update	Lennon, D.
8	Presentation of GameSense Evaluation	Vander Linden, M.; Andrews, B.
9	Wynn/Caesars Amended Agreement	Torrisi, C.

MEETING DATE
May 23, 2024

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative
1	Administrative Update	Serpa, D.
2	Meeting Minutes	Maynard, J.; Young, J.
3	Legislative Update	Hill, B.; Robinson, G.
4	Regulations	Grossman, T.
5	Sports Wagering	Band, B.
6	Community Affairs Division: Continued Application Review (7)	Delaney, J.
7	Independent Monitor	O'Brien, E.
8	Casino Job Quality Report	Vander Linden, M.; Andrews, B.
9	Follow up on Process for SW Non Compliance Adjudicatory Hearings	Monahan, C.

UNDER REVIEW

#	Agenda Item Topic	MGC Representative
1	ILEV Review Process	Delaney, J.; Grossman T.; Hill, B.
2	Compliance Committee	O'Brien, E.
3	HCA compliance update (All Properties)	Skinner, N.; Delaney, J.
4	EBH - East of Broadway; Process & Ultimate Action	Delaney, J.
5	Multi-Factorial Authentication Regulation (Ohio Example)	Torrise, C.; O'Brien, E.
6	DPH Report - Equity Pillars & Problem Gambling	O'Brien, E.; Hill, B.
7	Gambling Advertising Report	Vander Linden, M.
8	Discussion of Procurement Thresholds	Hill, B.; Lennon, D.
9	Briefing on Waivers for Technical Compliance with 205 CMR 257	O'Brien, E.; Band, B.; Grossman, T.
10	Discussion of AI as a Responsible Gaming Tool	O'Brien, E.; Vander Linden, M.
11	MGC-Licensed Seal of Approval	Stempeck, J.; Mills, T; Souza, D.
12	Licensee Diversity Audit	Skinner, N.; Muldrew, M.

Assigned meeting dates are subject to change.



**Massachusetts Gaming Commission
Agenda Setting
Meeting Minutes**

Date/Time: March 20, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. EST

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
MEETING ID: 112 808 8127

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1. Call to Order

Chair Judd-Stein called to order Agenda Setting Meeting #165 of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”).

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

*Chair Cathy Judd-Stein
Commissioner Eileen O’Brien
Commissioner Bradford R. Hill
Commissioner Nakisha Skinner
Commissioner Jordan Maynard*

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. January 24, 2024
- b. February 7, 2024

Commissioner Maynard moved to approve the public meeting minutes from the January 24, 2024, and February 7, 2024, public meetings, subject to the necessary edits for typographical error and non-material matters. Commissioner O’Brien seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

<i>Commissioner O’Brien</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Hill</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Skinner</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Maynard</i>	<i>Aye.</i>

Chair Judd-Stein

Aye.

The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

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 – March 28, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Interim Executive Director and General Counsel Grossman confirmed that discussion of the GRIT Act would occur during the administrative update, with Director Vander Linden.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Associate General Counsel Young confirmed that minutes from June 29, 2023, July 10, 2023, would come forward on March 28th, and that minutes from July 11, 2023, would come forward at meeting in April.

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

Item #4 – Regulations – Associate General Counsel Young confirmed the Legal Division would bring forward 205 CMR 15.00, Horse Racing Licensing, for a final vote.

Item #5 – Sports Wagering – Director Band confirmed that the team would provide an update on the standing meetings they had with Category 3 operator, Bally’s in regard to their roll-out plans.

Item #6 – Fiscal 2025 Research Agenda – Responsible Gaming – Director Vander Linden confirmed this item for presentation on March 28th.

Item #7 – PPC Racecourse Request for Racing Official/Key Operating Personnel Approval & for Waiver re Qualifying Race Requirement – Director Lightbown confirmed these items for the meeting. She noted that Opening Day at PPC was April 15th.

Add-on Item – RHDF Escrow Issue – Racing Director Lightbown requested that this item go forward at the March 28th meeting.

Item #8 – Bet Restriction by Operator – Sports Wagering – Compliance Manager Andrew Steffen confirmed this item for March 28th.

Item #9 – Responsible Gaming – Problem Gaming Awareness Month (PGAM) Update – Director Vander Linden confirmed that he and Program Manager Long Banh would provide a recap of the initiatives taking place at the three gaming establishments to summate Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

Add-on Item – Legal Division – Sports Wagering Operator Cessation – Deputy General Counsel Carrie Torrisi noted that the team would bring forward an update with representatives from WynnBet in regard to their cessation of operations within the Commonwealth.

Add-on Item – Licensing Division – Request for an Amendment to a Beverage Amendment and Request for an Exemption of Service Level License Exemption – Chief O’Brien requested agenda items for the discussion of the amendment to Encore Boston Harbor’s Alcoholic Beverage License, and discussion of a request for an exemption pertaining to a Service Level License from PPC at the March 28th meeting.

Items For Public Meeting – April 11, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Interim Executive Director and General Counsel Grossman confirmed that discussion of the GRIT Act could occur during the administrative update, as the matter would be a brief discussion.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Associate General Counsel Young confirmed minutes July 11, 2024, and July 12, 2024.

Item #3 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill confirmed that this item should remain on the agenda, as there will likely be an update on the House Budget.

Item #4 – Regulations – Deputy General Counsel Torrisi confirmed the Legal Division would bring forward 205 CMR 257.00 Data Privacy. Deputy General Counsel Stempeck confirmed draft regulations amending 205 CMR 3.12, 3.29, and 6.24, would also come forward on April 11, 2024.

Item #5– Sports Wagering – Director Band confirmed that the Sports Wagering Division would bring forward items at the next agenda setting meeting to confirm this item.

Item #6 – Community Affairs Division – Community Mitigation Fund – Program Manager, Mary Thurlow confirmed that that the Community Affairs Division would need approximately 90 minutes to review seven applications with Commissioners. She confirmed that they would set up 2x2s to discuss the applications.

Add-on Item – Legal and IEB – Process for Alleged SW Noncompliance Adjudicatory Hearings– Deputy General Counsel Stempeck and IEB Director Monahan noted that this item was in progress and confirmed that it would be ready for presentation on at the meeting on April 11, 2024.

Add-on Item- Licensing Division- Encore Beverage License Amendment – Chief O’Brien Requested an agenda item at the April 11th meeting to discuss Encore Boston Harbor’s request.

Items For Public Meeting – April 25, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Add-on Item – Responsible Gaming – Casino Job Quality Report – Director Vander Linden requested that this item be moved for discussion to the April 25, 2024, public meeting.

Add-on Item - Responsible Gaming – Discussion of National VSE Program – Director Vander Linden requested that this item be moved for discussion to the April 25, 2024, public meeting.

Add-on Item – Responsible Gaming – GameSense Quarterly Update – Director Vander Linden requested that this item be moved for discussion to the April 25, 2024, public meeting.

Add-on Item– Community Affairs Division – Community Mitigation Fund – Program Manager, Mary Thurlow requested 90 minutes for the Community Affairs Division to review applications with Commissioners.

Add-on Item – Sports Wagering – Director Band confirmed that the Sports Wagering Division would bring forward items at the next agenda setting meeting to confirm this item.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

Item #1 – ILEV Review Process – Program Manager, Mary Thurlow, requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #2 – Compliance Committee – Commissioner O’Brien requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #3 – HCA Compliance Update (All Properties) – Commissioner Skinner requested to keep this agenda item under review, as review was ongoing.

Item #4 – EBH – East Broadway; Process & Ultimate Action – Program Manager, Mary Thurlow requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #5 – Promotional/Bonus Regulation (Ohio Example) – Commissioner O’Brien requested that this item remain under review.

Item #6 – Multi-Factorial Authentication Regulation (Ohio Example) – Commissioner O’Brien requested that this item remain under review.

Item #7 – DPH Report – Equity Pillars & Problem Gambling – Chair Judd-Stein requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #8 – Sports Wagering Operators’ Quarterly Reports – Ms. Beauchemin confirmed that this item would remain under review but would likely come forward at a public meeting in late April.

Item #9–Responsible Gaming – Casino Jobs Report – Director Vander Linden confirmed that this item would go forward on April 11, 2024.

Item #10 – General Population Survey Report – Director Vander Linden requested to keep this agenda item under review, until a meeting date was scheduled.

Item #11 – Evaluation of the GameSense Program – Director Vander Linden requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #12 – Exploring Restrictions on Bets on Collegiate Athletes, and Review of Requests from the NCAA – Commissioner Maynard requested this item remain under review, but expressed an interest in contacting relevant stakeholders, including the NCAA and relevant players associations, on how player protection provisions could be reviewed and implemented by the Commission.

Item #13 – Responsible Gaming – Gambling Advertising Report – Director Vander Linden requested that this item remain under review.

Item #14 – Legal and IEB – Process for Alleged SW Noncompliance Adjudicatory Hearings– Deputy General Counsel Stempeck confirmed this item for the meeting on April 11, 2024.

Add-on Item – Procurement Threshold Discussion Review – CFAO Lennon confirmed this item for a discussion on procurements, including having the Commissioners weigh in on when they wanted to be involved on the procurement process, based on an agreed upon threshold.

Add-on Item – Licensing – PPC Beverage License Renewal – Chief O’Brien confirmed this item be placed under review but be added to a meeting agenda in June 2024.

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

Roll Call Vote:

<i>Commissioner O'Brien</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Hill</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Skinner</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Maynard</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Chair Judd-Stein</i>	<i>Aye.</i>

The motion passed unanimously 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Notice of Meeting & Agenda, dated March 18, 2024

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

March 21 (Adjudicatory Hearing)

March 27 (Public)

March 28 (Public)

April 3 (Agenda Setting)

April 11 (Public)

April 17 (Agenda Setting)

April 25 (Public)