



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: June 7, 2023 – 10:00 a.m. EST

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
MEETING ID: 111 533 1502

Call to Order

Chair Judd-Stein called to order Agenda Setting Meeting #147 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*

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission discussed the anticipated agendas for the upcoming meetings scheduled for June 15, 2023, June 29, 2023 and additional agenda items for subsequent meetings described in the attached agenda planning notice, as follows:

Adjudicatory Hearing – June 7, 2023 – 12:00 PM

The Commission will hold an adjudicatory hearing on June 7, 2023 at 12:00 PM.

Public Meeting – June 12, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Chair Judd-Stein noted this meeting is not listed on the meeting agenda. Executive Director Karen Wells confirmed this meeting was scheduled to review the application for a Category 2 sports wagering operator license.

Items For Public Meeting – June 15, 2023 – 9:00 AM

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Wells confirmed she will present a memo at this meeting pertaining to COVID information that the Commission previously requested.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – The Legal Division confirmed that meeting minutes from December 9, 2022, December 15, 2023, and December 29, 2022 will be discussed.

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

Item #4 – Regulations: “Risk Free” Advertising Language – Deputy General Counsel Caitlin Monahan confirmed the Legal Division will present two regulations during this meeting.

Item #5 – Sports Wagering – Sports Wagering Business Manager Crystal Beauchemin confirmed the Sports Wagering Division would present uniform waivers at this meeting and include operator-provided reasoning and comments. Deputy General Counsel Monahan provided context about the public comments process.

Item #6 – CMF Application Final Review – Community Affairs Division Chief Joseph Delaney confirmed there will be 23 applications to review during this meeting.

Item #7 – Succession of Officers and Positions Document Distribution – Commissioner O’Brien confirmed this meeting will be the active distribution of the draft and a vote on the draft will be scheduled for a future meeting.

Add-On Item – Commissioner Update – Commissioner Hill confirmed this agenda item.

Adjudicatory Hearing – June 23, 2023 – 10:00 AM

The Commission will hold an adjudicatory hearing on June 23, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Items For Public Meeting – June 29, 2023 – 9:00 AM

Item #8 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Wells confirmed that Interim Gaming Agents Chief Burke Cain will provide an update on activities at the casino.

Item #9 – Meeting Minutes – Associate General Counsel Judith Young confirmed that meeting minutes from December 22, 2022 and January 3, 2022 will be discussed.

Item #10 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill confirmed this agenda item.

Item #11 – Regulations – The Legal Division confirmed this agenda item.

Item #12 – Sports Wagering – The Sports Wagering Division confirmed they will provide a lottery update, house rule updates, and event wagers.

Item #13 – FY24 Budget Final Review – Chief Financial and Accounting Officer Derek Lennon confirmed this agenda item.

Item #14 – Request to Escrow RHDF – Director of Racing Alexandra Lightbown confirmed this agenda item.

Item #15 – Succession of Officers and Positions – Commissioner O’Brien confirmed this agenda item will include a vote on the officer slate.

Item #16 – Jockeys Guild Recognition – Director Lightbown confirmed this agenda item.

Item #17 – VSE Update/GameSense Quarterly Report - Director of Research and Responsible Gaming Mark Vander Linden confirmed this agenda item.

Item #18 – Springfield Community Driven Research Project – Director Vander Linden confirmed this agenda item.

Add-On Item – Approvals for Local Aid Payments – Director Lightbown requested time to discuss two approvals for local aid payments.

Items For Public Meeting – July 11, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Item #19 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Wells confirmed this agenda item.

Item #20 – Meeting Minutes – Associate General Counsel Young confirmed that meeting minutes from December 22, 2022 and January 3, 2022 will be discussed.

Item #21 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill confirmed this agenda item.

Item #22 – Regulations – The Legal Division confirmed this agenda item.

Item #23 – Sports Wagering – The Sports Wagering Division confirmed this agenda item.

Item #24 – EBH Expansion Continued Discussion – Chief Delaney confirmed this agenda item.

Item #25 – Succession of Officers Vote – Commissioner O’Brien confirmed this agenda item is the actual vote for the upcoming year.

Add-On Item – Reimbursement and Consideration – Director Lightbown requested time on behalf of Steve O’Toole to bring forward a promo reimbursement request and consideration, a capital improvement reimbursement and consideration, among other issues.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

Item #26 – ILEV Review Process – Chief Delaney confirmed this agenda item is still under review.

Item #27 – Encore Broadway Expansion – Chief Delaney confirmed this agenda item will be discussed over the course of a few meetings.

Item #28 – Compliance Committee – Commissioner O’Brien requested this agenda item remain under review.

Item #29 – HCA Compliance Update (All Properties) – Commissioner Skinner requested this agenda item remain under review.

Item #30 – Approval of Certificate of Operations – Director Band requested this agenda item remain under review.

Item #31 – 90 Day Audit – Director Band requested this agenda item remain under review.

Item #32 – Delegation of Authority Vote – Commissioner Maynard requested this agenda item remain under review.

Add-On Item – Method of Approval for Local Aid Payments – Director Lightbown requested time in a future meeting to discuss the method of approval for local aid payments.

Having no further business, Commissioner Hill moved to adjourn. Commissioner Maynard seconded.

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. Meeting adjourned.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Notice of Meeting & Agenda, dated June 7, 2023

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

June 15 (Public)
June 21 (Agenda)
June 29 (Public)
July 11 (Public)
July 12 (Agenda)

July 12 (Public)
July 26 (Agenda)
July 27 (Public)
August 2 (Agenda)
August 10 (Public)
August 16 (Agenda)
August 24 (Public)
August 30 (Agenda)