



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

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

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
MEETING ID: 112 009 0095

The Commission conducted this public meeting remotely utilizing collaboration technology. The use of this technology was intended to ensure an adequate, alternative means of public access to the Commission’s deliberations for any interested member of the public.

1. Call to Order

Interim Chair Jordan Maynard called to order Agenda Setting Meeting #173 of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (“Commission”) at 10:03 AM.

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

*Interim Chair Jordan Maynard
Commissioner Bradford R. Hill
Commissioner Nakisha Skinner*

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. June 12, 2024
- b. June 26, 2024

Interim Chair Maynard moved to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2024, and June 26, 2024, Agenda Setting meetings, as included in the Commissioners Packet and discussed, subject to necessary edits for typographical errors and non-material matters. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

<i>Commissioner Hill</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Skinner</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Interim Chair Maynard</i>	<i>Aye.</i>

The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

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 – August 1, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Serpa confirmed that an administrative update would come forward.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Chair Maynard confirmed that minutes would come forward on August 1.

Item #3 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill confirmed that this item should remain on the agenda, as an update would be likely as the legislative session would be concluding on July 31, 2024.

Item #4 – Regulations – Associate General Counsel Young noted that the Legal Division would bring forward three racing regulations for final approval on August 1, 2024. The regulations are 205 CMR 3.13: *Judges*, 205 CMR 3.29: *Medications and Prohibited Substances*, and 205 CMR 6.24: *Deposits*.

Item #5 – Sports Wagering – Mr. Steffan confirmed one item would come forward from the Sports Wagering Division, a void request from Draft Kings. Commissioner Hill requested 2x2's on this matter.

Item #6 – Executive Session Minutes – Associate General Counsel Young confirmed the executive session to approve prior sets of executive session minutes and stated that she would provide the dates of the minutes shortly.

Item #7 – Responsible Gaming – Review of Potential Partnership with GamBan – Director Vander Linden requested that this item be moved under review.

Item #8 – Responsible Gaming – National VSE Discussion – Director Vander Linden confirmed this item would go forward on August 1st, with a presentation from the President of ID Pair.

Add-on Item – Responsible Gaming – Massachusetts Model for Research Presentation & Discussion – Director Vander Linden requested this item go forward on August 1st, with a short presentation from Research Manager, Dr. Bonnie Andrews. He estimated 20 minutes for this item.

Add-on Item – GameSense Year End Review – Director Vander Linden requested that this item be added to the August 1st meeting agenda. He estimated 30 to 35 minutes for this item.

Item #9 – All Commissioners – Wager Limitation by Operator Follow-up – Commissioners confirmed this item for the August 1st agenda.

Add-on Item – Legal Division – General Counsel Grossman requested an item to discuss the Independent Monitor. He noted that the Independent Monitor presented their final report recently and noted that the Commission may wish to discuss this item further. Chair Maynard confirmed that item could be added to the agenda and noted that he would like to include Commissioner O’Brien in that discussion as well.

Add-on Item – IEB – Sports Wagering Noncompliance Matters – IEB Director Monahan requested an agenda item for discussion of two noncompliance matters.

Items For Public Meeting – August 15, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Serpa confirmed that an administrative update would come forward.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Chair Maynard confirmed that minutes would come forward for approval on August 15, 2024.

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

Item #4 – Regulations – Deputy General Counsel Torrisi confirmed that no regulations would come forward on August 15th.

Item #5– Sports Wagering – Sports Wagering Business Manager Beauchemin confirmed that no items would come forward.

Item #6 – Community Mitigation Fund – Chief Delaney confirmed an agenda item to discuss policy questions pertaining to the Community Mitigation Fund, including the Commonwealth’s Budget on August 15th. He estimated it would take an hour to complete the discussion.

Item #7 – AI Working Group Update – Director Vander Linden confirmed this item for the August 15th meeting.

Item #8 – Multi-Factorial Authentication Regulation (Ohio Example) – Deputy General Counsel confirmed this item for the August 15th agenda.

Add-on Item – Gaming Licensee Quarterly Reports – Chief Delaney Requested a tentative hold for the presentation of the three gaming Licensee’s quarterly reports. He estimated that all three reports would take approximately 90 minutes.

Items For Public Meeting – August 29, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – This item was tentatively confirmed.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – This item was tentatively confirmed.

Item #3 – Legislative Update – This item was removed from the August 29, 2024, agenda.

Item #4 – Regulations – Deputy General Counsel Torrissi stated that no regulations would be brought forward on August 29, 2024.

Item #5– Sports Wagering – This item was tentatively confirmed by Ms. Beauchemin.

Item #6 – Recognition of the Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts – Director of Licensing, Dr. Alexandra Lightbown requested presentation for recognition of the Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts be moved to the August 29, 2024, public meeting.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

Item #1 – Compliance Committee – This agenda item will remain under review.

Item #2 – HCA Compliance Update (All Properties) – Commissioner Skinner requested that this item remain under review.

Item #3 – EBH – East Broadway: Process & Ultimate Action – Chief Delaney noted that this agenda item will remain under review.

Item #4 – DPH Report – Equity Pillars & Problem Gambling – Commissioner Hill confirmed that this item remains under review.

Item # 5 – Procurement Threshold Discussion Review – Commissioner Hill and Executive Director Serpa confirmed that this item remains under review.

Item #6– Licensee Diversity Audit – Commissioner Skinner confirmed this item should remain under review but anticipated that a presentation would occur at a public meeting sometime in September, as the reports were going through the finalization process.

Item #7 – Discussion of Illegal Markets – Commissioner Skinner requested that this item remain under review but confirmed that she would keep Commissioners updated on their progress on the issue and their meetings with the Attorney General’s Office.

Item #8 – Final License Seal of Approval Design – Chief of the Communications Division, Tom Mills confirmed that the final designs were circulated to Commissioners. *This item was tentatively scheduled for either August 1st or August 15th.*

Item #9 – Recognition of the Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts – *This item was added to the Agenda on August 29, 2024.*

Add-on Item – 2023 Online Panel Survey – Research and Responsible Gaming Division – Director Vander Linden requested an agenda item for the presentation of the 2023 Online Panel Survey with Dr. Rachel Volberg from UMass Amherst.

Add-on Item – Sports Wagering Kiosk Report – Research and Responsible Gaming Division – Director Vander Linden requested an agenda item for discussion of the study. He noted that the report could be delivered to the Legislature before or after its discussion before the Commission. Commissioners agreed that it would be best practice for them to review the report prior to its delivery to the Legislature.

Add-on Item – Technical Security Control Audit of 2024 – Gaming Technical Compliance Manager, Christian Tavares requested an agenda item for the discussion of the 2024 technical audit (“90-day Audit”) for review by the Commission. After preliminary discussion, it was determined that it may be beneficial for internal review by the Legal Division and the Executive Director to consider how this item should go forward and whether 2x2s are necessary.

4. Commissioner Updates

Commissioners had no updates to share at this meeting.

5. Other Business

Having no further business, Commissioner Hill moved to adjourn. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

<i>Commissioner Hill</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Commissioner Skinner</i>	<i>Aye.</i>
<i>Interim Chair Maynard</i>	<i>Aye.</i>

The motion passed unanimously 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. [Notice of Meeting & Agenda](#), dated June 24, 2024
2. Agenda Setting Minutes, dated June 12, 2024
3. Agenda Setting Minutes, dated June 26, 2024

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

July 11 (Public)
July 16 (Public)
July 24 (Agenda Setting)
July 30 (Adjudicatory Hearing)
August 1 (Public)
August 7 (Agenda Setting)
August 8 (Adjudicatory Hearing)
August 15 (Public)
August 21 (Agenda Setting)
August 29 (Public)

September 4 (Agenda Setting)
September 12 (Public)
September 18 (Agenda Setting)
September 26 (Agenda Setting)