



Massachusetts Gaming Commission
Agenda Setting
Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: July 12, 2023 – 9:00 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 #149 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*

Approval of Meeting Minutes

(a) June 21, 2023

Commissioner Hill moved to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2023 Agenda Setting meeting included in the Commissioners’ Packet subject to any necessary corrections for typographical errors or other non-material matters. 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 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:

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

The Commission will hold a public meeting on July 12, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Adjudicatory Hearing – July 24, 2023 – 11:00 AM

The Commission will hold an adjudicatory hearing on July 24, 2023 at 11:00 AM.

Agenda Setting Meeting – July 26, 2023 – 10:00 AM

The Commission cancelled this agenda setting meeting.

Items For Public Meeting – July 27, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Item #1 – Administrative Update – Executive Director Karen Wells confirmed that she will meet with Interim Executive Director Todd Grossman to discuss this item.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Chair Judd-Stein confirmed that Associate General Counsel Judith Young will provide an update on this.

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

Item #4 – Regulations – Deputy General Counsel Caitlin Monahan confirmed that the Legal Division is not anticipating any regulations on this meeting date.

Item #5 – Sports Wagering – Sports Wagering Operation Manager Sterl Carpenter confirmed the Sports Wagering Division will have house rules from Fanatics, DraftKings, and Fan Duel, each submitting multiple changes.

Item #6 – Discussion of CMF Review Process – Chief of Community Affairs Joseph Delaney confirmed he will bring forward a policy proposal and memorandum identifying some of the existing issues with the CMF and potential solutions for the Commission’s review.

Add-On Item – Executive Session: Litigation Update – Deputy General Counsel Monahan requested time to host an executive session on this date.

Add-On Item – Lease Update – Commissioner O’Brien inquired about a lease update. Executive Director Wells confirmed she will check with the Lead Executive Assistant Maryann Dooley and if there is an update.

Add-On Item – Executive Director Job Description – Commissioner O’Brien requested this agenda item be put on the next public meeting date.

Public Meeting – August 1, 2023 – 10:00 AM

The Commission will hold a public meeting on August 1, 2023 at 10:00 AM to review the preliminary suitability aspect of the Category 2 application.

Items For Public Meeting – August 17, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Item #7 – Administrative Update – *This agenda item was not discussed.*

Item #8 – Meeting Minutes – *This agenda item was not discussed.*

Item #9 – Legislative Update – *This agenda item was not discussed.*

Item #10 – Regulations – Deputy General Counsel Carrie Torrisi requested another meeting to discuss regulations between August 7, 2023 and August 17, 2023. Chair Judd-Stein confirmed August 8, 2023 as the date to discuss these regulations.

Item #11 – Sports Wagering – Sports Wagering Business Manager Crystal Beauchemin confirmed the Sports Wagering Division will bring forward six quarterly reports during this meeting for Category 3 Sports Wagering operators. The Commissioners requested that the operators present on their quarterly reports.

Add-On Item – Preliminary Suitability Application with Executive Session Option – Investigations & Enforcement Bureau Director Chief Lillios confirmed this executive session could be held on August 17, 2023.

Add-On Item – UMASS Report – Research and Responsible Gaming Director Mark Vander Linden requested time on the agenda to discuss this internal report with the Commission.

Items For Public Meeting – August 24, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Add-On Item – Plainridge Park Casino Expansion Request – Director Lillios requested time during this meeting to bring forward an expansion request from PPC for inspections.

Add-On Item – Casino Licensee Quarterly Reports – Chief Delaney confirmed he will confirm the date with the licensees about this agenda item.

Add-On Item – Category 3 Presentations – Manager Beauchemin confirmed she may need time during this meeting date to roll over the presentations for the Category 3 Sports Wagering operators.

Add-On Item – Community Mitigation Fund Discussions – Chief Delaney requested time on this meeting date to continue discussions for the Community Mitigation Fund.

Add-On Item – Encore Boston Harbor Host Community Renegotiation Status – Chief Delaney confirmed that this may be submitted for the Commission’s review on this date.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

Item #13 – ILEV Review Process – Chief Delaney confirmed this agenda item is still under review.

Item #14 – Racing/Racing ADW Regulations & Racing Application Review – Director of Racing Alex Lightbown confirmed this agenda item. General Counsel Todd Grossman provided a status update for the application for a new applicant.

Item #15 – Compliance Committee – Commissioner O’Brien and Chair Judd-Stein confirmed they will discuss this agenda item.

Item #16 – HCA Compliance Update (All Properties) – Commissioner Skinner and Chief Delaney confirmed this agenda item is still under review.

Item #17 – Request to Escrow RHDF - Vote – Director Lightbown confirmed this agenda item is still under review.

Item #18 – 90 Day Audit – Director of Sports Wagering Bruce Band requested this agenda item remain under review.

Item #19 – Delegation of Authority – Vote – Commissioner Maynard requested to keep this agenda item under review.

Item #20 – Economic Impact Reports – Research Manager Bonnie Andrews confirmed this agenda item is still under review.

Item #21 – Requests from PPC (5) – Director Lightbown requested this agenda item remain under review.

Add-On Item – Cashless Wagering – Director Lillios confirmed that the gaming agents are actively working with PPC on this issue and that they will provide a demonstration for the Commission in the future.

Add-On Item – Letter of Intent for Region C Gaming License – Commissioner Skinner requested to put this as a future agenda item for the Commission to discuss.

Add-On Item – Sports Wagering Operators’ Practices for Betting Limitations – Commissioner Skinner requested time to discuss in a future meeting to discuss what our sports wagering operators’ practices are for limiting bettors.

Having no further business, Commissioner Maynard moved to adjourn. Commissioner O’Brien seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner O’Brien Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Skinner Aye.

Commissioner Maynard Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein Aye.

The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Notice of Meeting & Agenda, dated July 12, 2023
2. Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated June 21, 2023

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

July 12 (Public)
July 24 (Adjudicatory)
July 26 (Agenda)
July 27 (Public)
August 2 (Agenda)
August 16 (Agenda)
August 17 (Public)
August 24 (Public)
August 30 (Agenda)