



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: July 8, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 458 6226

Present:

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein	Bruce Band
Commissioner Gayle Cameron	Trupti Banda
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien	Katrina Jagroop-Gomes
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Derek Lennon
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga	Jill Griffin
Karen Wells	Loretta Lillios
Todd Grossman	Bill Curtis
Mark Vander Linden	Alexandra Lightbown
Joe Delaney	Sarah Magazine
Chad Bourque	

Call to Order

10:00 a.m. Chair Cathy Judd-Stein called to order the 80th Agenda-Setting meeting. Given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology.

The Chair confirmed a quorum for the meeting by Roll Call:

Commissioner Cameron: Aye.

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Zuniga: Aye.

Commissioner Stebbins: Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein: Aye.

Approval of Minutes

10:01 a.m. Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes from the Agenda Setting Meeting of July 8, 2020, subject to correction for typographical errors or other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner Cameron: Aye.

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.
Commissioner Zuniga: Aye.
Commissioner Stebbins: Aye.
Chair Judd-Stein: Aye.
The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Scheduled Commission Meeting on July 16th)

Item #1 – Administrative Update. Ms. Wells will have an administrative update for the scheduled Commission meeting on July 30th. There was discussion among the commissioners and the Commission resolved to schedule a Commission meeting for July 16th to review reports on the casino re-openings. There will also be an update from the Racing division, as well as an update on internal re-openings from the Re-start Working Group, and full reports on compliance with guidelines. The Commission will reserve right to vote on these matters.

Item #2 – Regulations. There will be two previously adopted emergency regulations up for the Commission's approval for final promulgation. First is 205 CMR 109.00: Authority of Commission to Act in Emergency Situation, which enables the Commission and the IEB to issue orders and procedures for licensees in the event of an emergency situation. Second is the amendment to 205 CMR 138.68: Expiration of Gaming-related Obligations Owed to Patrons; Payment to the Gaming Revenue Fund, which clarifies that the one-year period a casino patron has to claim winnings won't include any period of time that a casino is not in operation.

On another matter, Ms. Lillios and Mr. Grossman will work together on a legal issue regarding juvenile records, and schedule 2x2 meetings with the Commissioners to discuss. This regulation will be added to the agenda-setting notes as an item "under review". Ms. Lillios will provide the commissioners with a memorandum.

(Scheduled Commission Meeting on July 30th)

Item #3 – PPC Re-Licensing Suitability. Ms. Lillios will have this report ready. She requested that the Commission advise as to whom they would like present from Penn National. Mr. Delaney will organize and provide a hearing schedule to the Commission.

Item #4 – MAGIC Waves 1 - 4. Mr. Vander Linden will provide this report to the Commissioners in advance. Dr. Rachel Volberg of the UMass Amherst School of Public Health & Health Sciences will be presenting.

Added Item: Community Mitigation Fund grant for West Springfield Police Department – final presentation – for a vote. Mr. Delaney has requested additional information from the West Springfield PD for this presentation.

(Under Review)

Item #5 – Review of MGC Enhanced Code of Ethics Update. This item is in process and will remain under review at this time.

Item #6 – Status Update – Independent Directors Gaming Vendor Primary. This item is in process and will remain under review at this time.

Item #7 – Plainridge Park Racecourse Request for Promotional Fund Consideration. This item will remain under review at this time.

Item #8 – Update Section 97 – Data Report. This item will stay under review at this time.

Item #9 – Workforce & Vendor Reporting Template. This item will be removed from the agenda, as Ms. Griffin stated that it will be incorporated into the overall reporting template planned to be reviewed in the fall.

Item # 10 – Compliance Items Update. This item will remain under review at this time. Will update on internal controls on the 16th and

Added Item: End-of-Fiscal-Year Budget Update. Commissioner Zuniga requested that this item is added in anticipation of a presentation for the Commission in September.

10:28 a.m. *Having no further business, Commissioner Stebbins made a motion to adjourn.*

Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner Cameron: Aye.

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Zuniga: Aye.

Commissioner Stebbins: Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda dated July 8, 2020
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes
3. Meeting Minutes of the June 24, 2020 Agenda Setting meeting

/s/ Bruce Stebbins

Secretary