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## Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

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**Date/Time:** September 18, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

**Place:** Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
101 Federal Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Present:**

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein	Loretta Lillios
Commissioner Gayle Cameron	Trupti Banda
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien	Bill Curtis
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Katrina Jagroop-Gomes
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga	John Ziemba
Jill Griffin	Mark Vander Linden
Alexandra Lightbown	Elaine Driscoll

### Call to Order

10:00 a.m. Chair Judd-Stein called to order the 61<sup>st</sup> Agenda Setting meeting.

### Approval of Minutes

*Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes from the Agenda Setting Meeting of September 4, 2019, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

### Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

*(Scheduled Commission Meeting on September 26, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at Mass Mutual Center in Springfield)*

Item #1 – Administrative Update. Ed Bedrosian will have an administrative update.

Item #2 – Regulations. There are no regulations up for a vote until the October 10<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting. There will be several updates to our Licensing regulation and our Voluntary Self-Exclusion regulation.

Item #3 – MGM Springfield Quarterly Report / 31 Elm. Mr. Ziemba will have this report ready. No vote is expected. Additionally, He will have a representative from the City of Springfield to give a presentation regarding MGM’s impact on the city.

Item #4 – FY21 Community Mitigation Fund Application Guideline Review. Mr. Ziemba will have these guidelines ready to present to the Commission.

Item #5 –Springfield Real Estate Research Report. Mr. Vander Linden will have this report ready. Henry Renski, Associate Professor of Regional Planning at UMass Amherst, will also provide a slide presentation.

Item #6 – Construction of MGM Springfield: Spending, Employment, and Economic Impacts Report. Mr. Vander Linden anticipates that this report will be ready for this meeting. After an anticipated update, this may change to be a preliminary findings report.

Item #7 – Category 1 Licensees Play Management Update. Mr. Vander Linden will move this item to the October 10th meeting. Ms. Jagroop-Gomes and Scott Helwig will be presenting.

Item #8 – Summit on Diversity Construction Event. Ms. Griffin will have this update ready to present.

Item #9 – MGM Construction Vendor Spotlight. Ms. Griffin will have this presentation ready to present to the Commission with a guest speaker/local vendor.

Item #10 – Plainridge Park Casino License Renewal Process Discussion. Commissioners Zuniga and O’Brien will have this item ready for discussion.

*(Potential Commission Meeting on October 10, 2019)*

Item #11 – Gambling Behavior, Risk Factors for Problem Gambling and Public Health Recommendations: A Pilot Study in Boston’s Chinatown. Mr. Vander Linden will have this presentation ready. He will also have a Play Management segment prepared for this meeting.

Item #12 – SEIGMA Contract Award. Mr. Vander Linden is extending/postponing this item but will have an update for the Commission on status shortly.

Item #13 – GameSense Procurement Update. Commissioner Zuniga will have this update and presentation ready for a vote.

Item #14 – Construction Diversity Best Practices Report. Ms. Griffin will confirm for the Commission that this item will be ready to present at this meeting.

Item #15 – MA Gaming Commission YT19 Budget Closeout and FY20 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report. Mr. Lennon and Agnes Beaulieu will have this report prepared for this meeting.

*(Potential Commission Meeting in Plainville on November 7, 2019)*

Item # 16 – Encore Boston Harbor Baseline Public Safety Report. Mr. Vander Linden will have this prepared for a future upcoming meeting.

Item #17 – Racing Update. Dr. Lightbown will have this update ready to present at this Commission meeting, with a vote on the November 7<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting in Plainville.

Item #18 – Racing 2018 Annual Report. Dr. Lightbown will have this report ready for the November 7<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting in Plainville.

Item #19 – Year 3 Plainridge Park Casino Operations Report/Town of Plainville Economic Impact. Mr. Vander Linden will have this report ready to present to the Commission.

Item #20 – Town of Plainville and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – 3 & 4 Year Follow-Up. Mr. Vander Linden anticipates having these reports ready for this meeting.

*(Potential Commission Meeting on December 5, 2019)*

Item #21 – Mitigation Fund Final Guidelines. Mr. Ziemba will have this item prepared for this meeting and anticipates a vote.

*(Under Review)*

Item #22 – Encore Boston Harbor 90-Day Commitments. This item is currently in progress.

Item #23 – New England Gaming Market Update. This item is under review.

Item #24 – Licensee Sexual Harassment Policies. This item is currently in progress. The Commission established a deadline for end-of-year.

Item #25 – Minority Equity Participation. – The Commission is hosting an event on this in November.

Item #26 – Review of MGC Enhanced Code of Ethics. – This item is currently in progress via Ed Bedrosian

Item #27 – MGC 2019 Annual Report. This item is under review, via Commissioner Zuniga

Item #28 – Licensee Quarterly Reports – MGM, PPC & Encore. This item is under review.

**Additional Items:**

1. Holyoke Community College Workforce Grant for a vote at October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting – John Ziemba
2. LCMAC members reappointments for October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting – John Ziemba

3. Legislative Overview Re: racing bill with input from stakeholders on November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting in Plainville – Commissioner Stebbins
4. Move Plainridge quarterly report to November 7<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting – John Ziemba
5. MGM 8-month report for November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting in Plainville – Mark Vander Linden
6. Refresh of white paper to send back to the legislature – no date set yet – Commissioner Stebbins

11:06 a.m.     *Having no further business, Commissioner Zuniga made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **List of Documents and Other Items Used**

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated September 18, 2019
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated September 16, 2019
3. Meeting Minutes of the September 4, 2019 Agenda Setting meeting

/s/ Catherine Blue  
Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary