



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: January 10, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
101 Federal Street, 12th Floor
Boston, Massachusetts

Present:

Commissioner Stephen Crosby	Jill Griffin
Commissioner Lloyd Macdonald	Mark Vander Linden
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Karen Wells
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga	Janice Reilly
Trupti Banda	Catherine Blue
Edward Bedrosian, Jr.	Todd Grossman
Elaine Driscoll	Alexandra Lightbown
Derek Lennon	Bruce Band

Absent: Commissioner Gayle Cameron

Call to Order

9:00 a.m. Chairman Crosby called to order the 26th Agenda Setting meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Macdonald moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on December 13, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stebbins. Motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Macdonald moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on December 21, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stebbins. Motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Potential Commission Meeting on 01/18/18)

Item #1 – Administrative Update. Executive Director Bedrosian will do an administrative update.

Item #2 – MGM Project Update. Ed Bedrosian reported that this item is ready to go.

Item #3 – Regulations (will be added per meeting). Update to 205 CMR 152 and 205 CMR 140. Catherine Blue reported that the Legal Division has met with IEB regarding the draft change, and will have it ready for their review for the next Commission meeting.

Item #4 – Preliminary Service Employee Registration Discussion. This item is included in item #3, and is ready for the January 18th meeting.

Item #5 – Mitigation fund Reserve Requests: Saugus. This item will be ready for the January 18th meeting.

Item #6 – 205 CMR 152 – Exclusion List Regulation. This item is covered in item #3, and is ready for the January 18th meeting.

Item #7 – Workforce and Diversity Update. Jill Griffin confirmed that this item is ready to go for the next meeting.

Item #8 – 205 CMR 140 – Usage of Vigorish. Catherine Blue reported that the amendment of this regulation will be discussed, and that she will have Bruce Band present options.

Item #9 – Responsible Gaming Framework Review. Mark Vander Linden stated that this item is ready to go, but Ed Bedrosian needs to confirm the January 18th date with Mr. Vander Linden and Chairman Crosby by the end of the week.

Item #10 – Recommendation on PlayMyWay for Category 1 Casinos. See item #9. This item will require a vote.

Item #11 – Economic Development Fund White Paper. Commissioner Stebbins confirmed that this item will be ready for the January 18th meeting.

Item #13 – Quarterly Budget Update. Derek Lennon reported that this item should be ready for February 18th.

Additional Items:

MGM Qualifier. Karen Wells indicated that she has an MGM qualifier for February 18th that requires a vote.

(Potential Commission Meeting on 02/01/18)

Additional Items:

Unclaimed Racing Wagers

(Potential Commission meeting on 02/15/18)

No Items listed

(Potential Commission meeting on 03/01/18)

Item #12 – Executive Director Performance Review. This item will be ready for the March 1 meeting.

Item #14 – Sports Betting Whitepaper. This item should be ready for March 1st.

Item #16 –Licensee Quarterly Reports. This item will be discussed with Ombudsman Ziemba where a meeting date will then be determined; most likely March 1st.

Item #17 – Game Sense Evaluation: Wave 2. Mark Vander Linden confirmed that this item will be ready for March 1st.

(Potential Commission Meeting on 03/15/18)

Item #15 – NEHBPA Request for Funds. This item will be removed until further notice.

Item # 18 – Two Year Public Safety Report. Target date for this item is March 15th.

Item # 19 – Two Year Real Estate Impact Report. This item will be ready for the March 15th meeting.

(Under Review)

Item # 20 – Gaming School Update – Region A. This item should be ready in either February or March.

Item # 21 – Two Year Lottery Report. This item is under review.

Item # 22 – Wynn Workforce Development Plan. This item should be ready in either April or May.

Item #23 – Regulation Regarding Firearms in Casinos. This item is under review.

Item #24 – Plainridge Park Casino Mid-Term License Review. This item is under review, to be ready in the spring.

Item # 25 – Licensee Quarterly Reports. This item will be ready for the first Commission meeting in February and will require a vote.

9:25 a.m. *Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Zuniga. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stebbins. Motion passed unanimously.*

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated January 10, 2018
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated January 10, 2018
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated December 13, 2017
4. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated December 21, 2017

/s/ Catherine Blue
Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary