



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: July 25, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.

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

Present: Commissioner Bruce Stebbins
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien
Alexandra Lightbown
Paul Connelly
John Ziemba
Loretta Lillios
Trupti Banda

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Elaine Driscoll
Bruce Band
Mark Vander Linden
Jill Griffin
Katrina Jagroop-Gomes
Derek Lennon

Absent: Chairman Stephen Crosby
Commissioner Gayle Cameron

Call to Order

10:00 a.m. Commissioner Zuniga called to order the 38th Agenda Setting meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes of the Agenda Setting meeting on June 27, 2018. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Brien. The Motion passed 3 – 0.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Scheduled Commission Meeting in Springfield on August 2, 2018)

Item #1 – Administrative Update. There will be an administrative update.

Item #2 – MGM Project Update. This will be covered in Item #6.

Item #3 – Regulations. There will be no regulations brought forth for approval at this Commission meeting.

Item #4 – GameSense Evaluation. This item is currently queued for the July 26th Commission Meeting.

Item #5 – Boston PIC Mitigation fund Re-Designation. – this item is currently queued for the July 26th Commission Meeting.

Item #6 –MGM Opening Presentation/Commissioner Delegation. Ed Bedrosian and MGM will review several compliance items with the Commission for the issuance of MGM Springfield’s Temporary Operations Certificate, as well as the designation of authority to Commissioner Stebbins to observe and review the results of test nights and to issue a Conditional Operations Certificate on behalf of the Commission. These items will require votes.

Item #7 – MGM Traffic Plan Presentation. John Ziemba and Joe Delaney will present this item with members of MGM Springfield and City of Springfield.

Item #8 – Springfield Baseline Public Safety and Crime Report. Mark Vander Linden will present this item with Christopher Bruce.

Item #9 – MGM Average Wage Scales Verification. This item will be part one of item #6.

Item #10 – MGM Responsible Gaming Plan. This item will be part two of item #6.

(Potential Commission Meeting on August 14th)

Item #11 – Encore Workforce Monitoring Plan. Jill Griffin stated that this item is currently under review.

Item #12 – Penn National Gaming – GLPI Interim Authorization. Loretta Lillios stated that this item should be ready to present to the Commission for a vote with GLPI and Penn National present also.

Item #13 – Plainridge Park Casino Mid-Term License Review. John Ziemba anticipates this item being ready to present to the Commission, potentially for a vote. Plainridge Park Casino would also like to present their quarterly report at this time also.

Item #14 – Suffolk Downs’ Request for Additional Racing Days. Alexandra Lightbown stated that this item will be ready to present to the Commission for a vote.

Item #15 – Suffolk Downs’ Request or Additional Racing Days. Alexandra Lightbown stated that this item will be ready to present to the Commission for a vote.

Item #16 – Suffolk Downs Request or Race Horse Development Funds. Alexandra Lightbown stated that this item will need to be postponed until September.

(Potential Commission Meeting on September 13th)

Item #17 – MGM Quarterly Report. John Ziemba will present the Permanent Operations Certificate for MGM as this item.

Item #18 – Two-Year Real Estate Impact Report. Mark Vander Linden anticipates this item will be ready to present to the Commission.

Item #19 – Licensee Sexual Harassment Policies. This item is currently under review.

Item #20 – Region A Workforce Monitoring Plan. This is a duplicate of Item #11.

Item #21 – License Renewal Process. This is the renewal process for Penn National and is currently under review.

Item #22 – Minority Equity Participation. This item is currently under review.

Item #23 – Request to Re-Open Region C. A preliminary discussion will occur at the July 26th Commission meeting.

Item #24 – Licensee Quarterly Reports. John Ziemba will follow up on this possible item.

Additional Items:

1. Mark Vander Linden and Elaine Driscoll will present a GameSense communication strategy presentation to unveil the new website and advertising – this item will be last at the August 2nd Commission meeting.
2. Paul Connelly would like to have someone present to the Commission with Cambridge College Gaming School, focusing primarily on their partnership with Encore at the August 14th Commission meeting.
3. Mark Vander Linden’s Voluntary Self-Exclusion presentation ready in September.
4. John Ziemba will have the Community Mitigation Fund guidelines ready in early September.
5. Jill Griffin will have Encore Boston Harbor’s Affirmative Marketing Program ready for November, as well as their Local Vendor Plan.

10:30 a.m. *Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Stebbins. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner O’Brien. The Motion passed 5 – 0.*

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated July 25, 2018
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated June 27, 2018
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated July 23, 2018

/s/ Catherine Blue

Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary