

NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA March 26, 2014 Meeting

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The meeting will take place:

Wednesday, March 26, 2014 4:00 p.m. Boston Convention and Exhibition Center 415 Summer Street, Room 104 Boston, MA

PUBLIC MEETING - #115

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Input from members of the community regarding Wynn MA, LLC's application for a Category 1 Gaming License in Everett, MA.***
- 3. Other business reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of posting.

I certify that on this date, this Notice was posted as "Gaming Commission Meeting" at <u>www.massgaming.com</u> and emailed to: <u>regs@sec.state.ma.us</u>, <u>melissa.andrade@state.ma.us</u>.

3514 Stephen P. Crosby, Chairman

Date Posted to Website: Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

*** In order to use the available time efficiently, the Commission asks that speakers limit their comments to 5 minutes.

Massachusetts Gaming Commission

84 State Street, 10th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 TEL 617.979.8400 FAX 617.725.0258 www.massgaming.com

Public Support for Wynn/Everett

Petitions

"Wynn for All"

221 signatures

"We urge the Gaming Commission to grant Wynn Resorts the Eastern Massachusetts region casino license. Wynn Resorts' project is the best proposal for both the region and the state as it will generate thousands of jobs from a company recognized as the best large employer in Las Vegas by its employees, clean up a contaminated site that will help revitalize the waterfront, and create a destination resort by a company that has won more Forbes Five-Star Awards than any other independent hotel company in the world. "

"Seniors for Wynn"

33 signatures

"We, the residents of Franklin Park Villa Co-op, 131 Morton St., urge the Gaming Commission to grant Everett and Wynn resorts the Eastern Massachusetts region casino license. Wynn Resorts' project will benefit not only our region, but the entire state with over 8,000 jobs, a comprehensive environmental clean-up, and a myriad of improvements and benefits. Wynn is the best choice to ensure economic development that will truly benefit the entire region."

Letters

23 residents of Everett sent the following letter:

"Thank you for taking the time to read this letter demonstrating my support for the Wynn Resort and Casino development in Everett. There are so many reasons why I feel this project deserves to be awarded the sole eastern region casino license.

This development will greatly improve the employment rate for the state. Starting with the environmental clean-up, 3,700 construction jobs, road improvements, and then 4,000 permanent jobs once the resort is complete and operational. We need jobs, and Wynn will create the largest number of jobs with their proposal.

Please consider granting the gaming license to Wynn Resorts in Everett for all the jobs, careers, and multigenerational employment opportunities this company will bring now and for our future."

Emails

MGC received 134 of the below email:

"I am writing today to let you know that I am in full support of the proposed Wynn Everett. Thousands of jobs, millions in taxes, a fantastic destination that will draw visitors from all over the world – this is the right choice for our region and for the whole Commonwealth. I respectfully urge you to please approve the Wynn Everett!"

MGC received 477 emails, as follows:

26 emails stated the following:

The jobs that will be created by the Wynn project are just what this state needs. There will be 4,000 long-term jobs at the Wynn, well-known as the best jobs in that industry. With Wynn's expertise and track record in the business, surrounded by loyal employees who want to go the extra mile for his customers, and with over \$2 billion dollars in the bank, his promises to deliver are completely backed up, in my opinion. To my mind, there is no other option than the Wynn. The Wynn puts the other guys to shame. This is exactly what Massachusetts needs!

Respectfully, I urge you to support the Wynn proposal for all of its positive benefits. They can back everything they say to us and I know this is the smartest choice of all. Wynn has more money in his pockets than the other casino company, and people from all over the world will be traveling to his 5 star resort, ready to spend their money, money that will go to our cities and our state. Also the fact that these small businesses in the surrounding area will not be hurt by this attraction is huge. This is a deal that should not be passed up, so please support the Wynn!

29 emails stated the following:

The Wynn Everett will create 4,000 long-term jobs in this region of Massachusetts, jobs where people will be working directly at the Wynn. These jobs are well known as being the best jobs in the industry due to the fact that Wynn genuinely cares about his employees' well-being and job security. It couldn't be any clearer than that, considering how he, along with his executives, took pay cuts during rough times so that his employees would still have work. During that time Wynn's casinos actually made the industry's leading profits due to his smart business choices. I don't know what person wouldn't agree with backing this proposal 100%. This is the exact kind of employer Massachusetts should be looking to bring on board.

31 emails stated the following:

The construction jobs from this development are important. But it is even more important for the gaming commission to weigh the long-term results of this major decision. Year after year, Wynn has been named the best casino resort employer in Las Vegas, where it has scores of competitors. The permanent jobs created by Wynn in Everett will be jobs Massachusetts resident really want and will enjoy. That is an important factor for you to take into account.

Respectfully, I urge you to support the Wynn proposal for all of its positive benefits. They can back everything they say to us and I know this is the smartest choice of all. Wynn has more money in his pockets than the other casino company, and people from all over the world will be traveling to his 5 star resort, ready to spend their money, money that will go to our cities and our state. Also the fact that these small businesses in the surrounding area will not be hurt by this attraction is huge. This is a deal that should not be passed up, so please support the Wynn!

23 emails stated the following:

Steve Wynn is recognized worldwide as a time-proven luxury resort operator. His name is his brand, and he would never risk damaging his brand by building anything but the best possible resort casino in Massachusetts. Wynn Everett will attract customers from Massachusetts and beyond - which will ensure success for Massachusetts taxpayers. The other applicants? Not so much, with a three-star facility quickly slapped together.

30 emails stated the following:

This project would place Wynn Resorts among the Top 5 private employers in Boston. Moreover, this project would generate \$267 million in annual, recurring and local taxes. It also would provide \$183 million in onetime state and local taxes during the resort development. Thank you for reading my message. I respectfully submit that when you evaluate all aspects of the competing applications, the choice is not even close. Please award the important Boston Region casino license to Wynn Everett.

35 emails stated the following:

The Wynn proposal consists of building a magnificent hotel and resort casino on the former Monsanto plant along the Mystic River. This project would not only clean up a contaminated site but would serve as a catalyst for revitalizing the entire waterfront and surrounding communities. In closing, I simply ask that you take into account not only the fine reputation and financial strength of Wynn, but Steve Wynn's ability and commitment to get the Everett resort built and open without endless delays. Please approve the best plan and best operator when making this major decision for our state.

29 emails stated the following:

The Wynn Everett plan not only is strongest based on finances, aesthetics, corporate reputation, local community commitment and regional benefits, but it will get built soonest. That means the tax and other benefits will be greater. Wynn, unlike the other applicant with multiple ownership, will not build the Everett resort in 'phases.' It just seems to me that Wynn is the obvious choice on every criteria.

34 emails stated the following:

Steve Wynn is going to make a 5 star resort and casino. Those fellows across Route 16 are going to make a 3 star resort and casino. Why is this even a debate? Is Massachusetts a three-star state? Are we three-star people? Do we want three star tourists and humble three star vacationers here, or do we want those 5 star people and their five star wallets coming here and spending their time and money? I know what I want! Are we so foolish as to pass this opportunity by? Steve Wynn could have gone to New York City or to Philadelphia or to Chicago, or to wherever he wanted- and he chose to come here. To Boston, to Massachusetts. We need to grab this opportunity with both hands!

In closing, I simply ask that you take into account not only the fine reputation and financial strength of Wynn, but Steve Wynn's ability and commitment to get the Everett resort built and open without endless delays. Please approve the best plan and best operator when making this major decision for our state.

45 emails stated the following:

The Wynn plan is without doubt the superior choice. The resort in Everett will have a five-star hotel and worldfamous retailers, unlike the other application before you. These factors are huge in ensuring that the Boston region casino you approve is successful - and Massachusetts residents cannot risk that this is not major success. Wynn is clearly the right choice for our state.

As a resident here in _____ I urge you to support the Wynn proposal. He has the money, expertise and track record that these other guys do not have, and a business model that promises to deliver. The 5 star resort will bring tourists from all over the world to this attraction along with their dollars that will benefit the whole state. This is too good to pass up - please support the Wynn!

27 emails stated the following:

The Wynn project will offer not just jobs but careers with a company recognized as the No. 1 Large Employer in Las Vegas by its employees in the Las Vegas Review-Journal's Top Workplaces Survey. It's no surprise since thousands of team members at Wynn are long-time employees who have been with the company for years, far longer than the industry average.

35 emails stated the following:

Wynn was named the number one large employer in Vegas by his own employees, which to me is evidence of how great this proposal is compared to the others. He's created a culture of excellence and loyalty by treating his employees well and creating the kinds of jobs that people consider themselves lucky to have. This is exactly the kind of company we need here in Massachusetts. I want to know that I, or my friends, or my kids or my neighbors could have an opportunity like that, to work for this company. When the industry- including the ones from Connecticut-were laying people off by the thousands, Wynn was keeping his folks employed. That's a rare quality, one we could use here in the Commonwealth!

In closing, I simply ask that you take into account not only the fine reputation and financial strength of Wynn, but Steve Wynn's ability and commitment to get the Everett resort built and open without endless delays. Please approve the best plan and best operator when making this major decision for our state.

51 emails stated the following:

There are a lot things to be said about Steve Wynn and the Everett casino plan- all the jobs and the taxes and other economic benefits, not to take away from those things at all - but the one that I'm most excited about is the way it will one, clean up the utter disaster that is that Monsanto site, and two, open up the waterfront for people to use and enjoy again. To think that visitors will be able to come to the Wynn by water taxi or their own boat, that we'll be able to walk by the river again, and to have such a beautiful complex there for the benefit of Everett, Somerville, Medford, Charlestown and all the visitors from Massachusetts and around the world, well, that's reason enough to support this plan 100%.

Respectfully, I urge you to support the Wynn proposal for all of its positive benefits. They can back everything they say to us and I know this is the smartest choice of all. Wynn has more money in his pockets than the other casino company, and people from all over the world will be traveling to his 5 star resort, ready to spend their money, money that will go to our cities and our state. Also the fact that these small businesses in the surrounding area will not be hurt by this attraction is huge. This is a deal that should not be passed up, so please support the Wynn!

27 emails stated the following:

The applicant you select will have a gaming monopoly in this region, so it is important that Massachusetts protect itself. The Wynn corporation has tremendous financial resources to fund and operate a first-class resort. It will not be asking for bailouts or secret investors, or special tax breaks should the economy dip. This state cannot afford to put taxpayers at risk in any conceivable manner. Wynn has a proven track record.

28 emails stated the following:

Wynn Resorts holds more Forbes Five Stars than any other independent hotel company in the world. Forbes Travel Guide's Star rating designations are the gold standard for hospitality excellence. This is the type of destination resort that we need to attract national and international tourism to the area.

27 emails stated the following:

The Wynn project will generate 6,000 long-term jobs including 4,000 direct jobs and 2,000 induced jobs. It will also create 4,000 construction jobs through build-out. Will Mohegan create so many jobs? And even if they do, how long will those jobs last, given their financial situation? Wynn has the money, the experience, and the know how to make this whole thing work. We all owe it to ourselves to pick the right project here, and I think the choice is clear.



March 24, 2014

5 K.

Steven Crosby, Chair Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

Dear Mr. Crosby,

The Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA) appreciates this opportunity to comment at the Public Input Meeting for Wynn Resorts Casino, a destination resort casino proposed in Everett, Massachusetts.

The Mystic River Watershed Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1972 by a group of concerned citizens. The Mystic River Watershed Association's mission is to protect and restore clean water and related natural resources within the basin's 22 communities and to promote responsible stewardship of Mystic River natural resources through educational initiatives and science based advocacy.

As an environmental organization, we are particularly attuned to how proposed projects will impact existing environmental conditions within the highly urbanized areas of Mystic River communities.

The Mystic River Watershed Association has been very actively engaged in evaluating the prospective environmental impacts of both of the resort casinos proposed to be built in the Mystic River Watershed.

While we greatly respect that there are many other issues about which Mystic River communities will be concerned, throughout this process the Association has maintained steady focus upon environmental issues associated with casino development. Broadly, these issues include impacts on water quality, wildlife and aquatic habitat, wetlands impact and protection, wastewater and stormwater management, and water conservation.

On September 25th, 2013 the Mystic River Watershed Association and the US EPA Mystic River Steering Committee hosted a special presentation on the environmental impacts of both proposed Mystic River casinos. Over 80 people attended this public meeting and had the opportunity to ask questions of each proponent. Attendees agreed with the Mystic River Watershed Association that

Serving Twenty-Two Communities

Arlington Belmont Burlington Cambridge Charlestown Chelsea East Boston Everett Lexington Malden Medford Melrose Reading Revere Somerville Stoneham Wakefield Watertown Wilmington Winchester Winthrop Woburn

20 Academy Street, Suite 306 • Arlington, MA • 02476-6401 • (781) 316-3438 • www.MysticRiver.org

casino proponents have a unique opportunity to provide leadership in efforts to protect the Mystic River and restore this important natural resource.

MyRWA would like to request that the Massachusetts Gaming Commission give strong consideration in its decision making to initiatives that provide for protection and restoration of the local environment. Such initiatives that are included in the resort casino development proposals and gaming license applications will become an important component of the benefits that result from Casino development in Massachusetts.

We urge the commission to study and evaluate carefully the Expanded Environmental Notification Forms, the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Reports and the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs Certificates, as these documents ought to provide a clear and unambiguous picture of the proponent's treatment of and contribution to improving and enhancing the Mystic River Watershed. Restoration and preservation of local natural resources in the Mystic River watershed will provide important benefit to all residents of the host and surrounding communities.

Given its extraordinary scale and scope, the Resort Casino project proposed by Wynn Everett represents an extraordinary opportunity for proponents to provide important leadership and support for the transformation of this hardworking urban river system to a healthy condition.

Early on in the MEPA review process, the Association recommended several important changes to the developer's approach to site planning that we believed would significantly enhance engagement with the natural environment, without sacrificing any of the development's key elements.

The Mystic River Watershed Association met with Wynn and its consulting team on several occasions to discuss these ideas and recommended that the developer more substantially engage restoration of the water's edge and the coastal resource areas and to undertake substantial ecological restoration along the Mystic River. The Mystic River Watershed Association pointed out that the emergence of new salt marsh adjacent to the site provided ample evidence that restoration and protection of river bank and river habitat is feasible and that a more naturalist approach to site development seemed entirely appropriate, particularly because the subject site is located upstream from the more industrialized areas of riverfront in the Designated Port Area.

We are very pleased to see that the Wynn Resort development team fully embraced these comments and substantially modified their approach and site plan for the project. The Living Shoreline approach, as shown in plans included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report, represents substantial improvement to the plans that were previously provided and, when constructed, will serve as a model for future development along the Mystic River waterfront. Provision of additional salt marsh along the waterfront is also consistent with suggested mitigation practice regarding Climate Change Adaptation. The inclusion of a soft waterfront and salt marsh provides a greater capacity for storm surges to be more naturally attenuated.

Serving Twenty-Two Communities

Arlington Belmont Burlington Cambridge Charlestown Chelsea East Boston Everett Lexington Malden Medford Melrose Reading Revere Somerville Stoneham Wakefield Watertown Wilmington Winchester Winthrop Woburn In addition, connection and improvements along area bicycle and pedestrian pathways will help connect visitors to the local natural environment and the Mystic River and will help support advocacy for local natural habitat and river ecology.

The Association also appreciates that in response to our expressed concerns, the building footprint and size has been modified in order to create more outdoor open space with access to the riverfront. Providing engaging access to the waterfront fulfills a significant need in this densely developed urban environment.

Finally, it is important to note that the Wynn Everett project proposes to undertake remediation of a significant hazardous waste site that has until now remained a blighted and unused parcel on the waterfront. Restoration of this brownfield to productive use will provide substantial benefit to Mystic River communities and to the river itself.

The Mystic River Watershed Association plans to monitor and remain in contact with the proponent and relevant authorities during the preparation of the Notices of Intent and all other State and local permit applications to be filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and other State and local ordinances. We are encouraged by the modifications and improvements made to date and by the stated commitment of the Wynn Everett development team to setting high standards of excellence with regard to site design and environmental protection. It is important to our efforts and to efforts of all local and regional environmental advocates that the Gaming Commission makes a clear statement that protection and restoration of the local natural environment is a high priority of the commission and a component of the license provided.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this important issue. If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me at (781) 316-3438 or at EK@mysticriver.org.

Best regards,

EkOngKar Singh Khalsa, Executive Director

Serving Twenty-Two Communities

Arlington Belmont Burlington Cambridge Charlestown Chelsea East Boston Everett Lexington Malden Medford Melrose Reading Revere Somerville Stoneham Wakefield Watertown Wilmington Winchester Winthrop Woburn

20 Academy Street, Suite 306 • Arlington, MA • 02476-6401 • (781) 316-3438 • www.MysticRiver.org

From:	MGC Website <website@massgaming.com></website@massgaming.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, February 11, 2014 4:44 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Contact the Commissioner Form Submission

Name

Carrie Dancy

Email

carrie@eastsomervillemainstreets.org

Phone

(617)599-8509

Subject

RE: Comments on Wynn Casino DEIR - EOEEA #15060

Questions or Comments

TO: Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, EOEA Commissioner Kenneth Kimmell, DEP John Ziemba, Ombudsman Mass Gaming Commission Stephen Crosby, Chairman Mass Gaming Commission Assistant Commissioner Ben Ericson, DEP

FROM: East Somerville Main Streets Board of Directors*

February 11, 2014

RE: Comments on Wynn Casino DEIR - EOEEA #15060

To Whom It May Concern:

East Somerville Main Streets (ESMS) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Wynn Project to construct a casino in Everett along the Mystic River waterfront. We have a number of serious concerns about the impact of the project and the limitations of the DEIR in addressing these concerns as proposed by the Wynn Corporation to remediate the negative impacts of the project

The goal of ESMS is to improve the life of our community by building investment, connection and pride in our main streets (www.eastsomervillemainstreets.org). We very much appreciate the efforts of the City of Everett to invest in improvement and economic development of the poorly utilized industrial land along the Mystic River in Everett. We share many of the goals of the city to generate local employment, commercial tax revenue, and recognize the financial benefit to the city for being a host community. However, as an affected community we are very concerned by the remedies offered by Wynn in the DEIR to address the negative impacts of the development to our community.

The proposed development and the mitigation solutions in the DEIR do not adequately address the adverse impacts on residents of Somerville, Charlestown, and surrounding communities nor does it adequately address environmental impacts. It is worth noting that the Expanding Gaming Act of 2011 provides host communities with significant financial benefits and it requires the proponent to negotiate a Surrounding Community Agreement for relief of adverse impacts. There are additional environmental requirements for this project under MEPA and Chapter 91, regarding impacts and mitigation that are not specific to invisit to any and all impacted air water, land, animals, and people. A copy of

our letter submitted to DEP Waterways Regulation Program regarding the Everett Municipal Harbor Plan (MHP) addressed our concerns about traffic pollution, potential increases in diesel pollution -if commuter rail service is expanded- and our con! cerns that the height and footprint of the proposed hotel and casino exceeds what is allowed under Chapter 91 Building height restriction (310 CMR 9.51(3)(E). We do understand that the Chapter 91 Building height restriction can be waived through a MHP provided that "buildings for non water-dependent use will be relatively modest in size in order that the wind, shadow, and other conditions of the ground level environment will be conducive to water-dependent activity and public access associated therewith." Clearly, the proposed hotel size (and design) is not modestly sized. We therefore strongly urge you to not agree to allow the structure to be constructed 155 feet higher than the Chapter 91 regulations allow. The regulations set forth height restrictions of 55 feet within 100 feet of the high water mark after which buildings may step up one half foot for every additional foot they are set back. On the Development Site this results in heights starting at 55 feet and stepp! ing up to a total of 245 feet in the northeastern corner of the area.

The adverse environmental and community impacts of the proposed project extend to surrounding communities, particularly Charlestown and Somerville, but the proposed mitigation is focused primarily within the city of Everett. Thus it is largely inadequate in addressing the more geographically extensive impacts:

§ Major increase in traffic and congestion on Routes 28 and 99, will impact air quality, respiratory and cardiac health, and quality of life in Somerville and Charlestown. DEIR estimates are that as much as 80% of project-related traffic will be concentrated on portions of those roads in Somerville and Charlestown. The proposed mitigations are not acceptable and as noted at the DEIR meeting in Charlestown on February 4th, the proponent is relying on the state to specifically allocate tax revenue to cover the cost of roadway improvements for this project. This is a wish, not a sound mitigation plan.

The size of the hotel will result in both serious glare and shadow-related impacts on the residential and commercial uses across the river in Somerville. The 24-hour nature of the business will result in both sound and light pollution on East Somerville but there has been no consideration given to how to mitigate these impacts. We support the request by our Charlestown neighbors for a public process to review the building design. The current design is well suited to Las Vegas, but is not appropriate for this region.

§ The construction of the hotel and underground parking will result in several years of pile driving noise pollution that will be carried across the Mystic River and will impact residents living in the new housing at Assembly Row and in Charlestown. The DEIR does not address any way to mitigate noise, which travels easily over water.

The DEIR ignores the addition of an Orange Line station at Assembly Square that could provide a solution to transportation for employees and customers. This could include ferry service from the T station and/or a pedestrian/bicycle bridge across this narrow section of the Mystic River. A ferry would help reduce traffic to/from Assembly Square, as well as facilitate the enjoyment by Somerville residents and visitors to Assembly Row of the facilities of public accommodation (FPAs) and would improve open space on the Everett side.

Our neighbors in Charlestown, the Rutherford Avenue Sullivan Square Advocacy Group (RASSAG) have detailed serious traffic and transportation-related issues that must be addressed before allowing the project to move forward. We agree with their concerns and want to specifically cite:

How the DEIR does not adequately show that the Rutherford Avenue corridor and network of Sullivan Square roadways (e.g, the I-93 NB off ramp at Cambridge Street and the intersections with Maffa Way and Main Street) will be able to accommodate anticipated traffic as early as 2017, when the casino opens, or in the future, once roadway improvements are completed. As you know there will be major roadway changes carried out in this area over the next ten years -- (Completion of the roadway improvements is scheduled by the Boston Transportation Department in 2023. It is unclear how mitigation by the developer will address the increased traffic before this project is completed.)

The traffic projections of the DEIR need much further work. Our Charlestown neighbors have pointed out that the DEIR should show vehicle trips per hour throughout the day on typical Fridays and Saturdays. This should be shown in the years before completion of the roadwork, as well as once the roads have been reconstructed -- and should describe any anticipated delays and bottlenecks, and their repercussions (including elevated emissions) for feeder streets (and the people living on those streets) in Charlestown and Somerville.

The proponents note that most of the traffic increases will be in the evening and on weekends. Residents of Charlestown and East Somerville get some minor relief from the huge volume of traffic in our neighborhoods during these times. Consideration should be given to how expanding the hours of traffic congestion significantly impacts our quality of life.

The DFIR does not adequately address transnortation to and from the facility for employees. The location of where employees

will be traveling from has not been well thought out. The fact that the new Orange Line station at Assembly Square has not figured into their employee transportation plan clearly indicates the need for the developer to do a more thorough analysis and plan for employee transportation.

§ The DEIR does not address problems of river navigability due to the extensive problem of water chestnuts upstream from the hotel. Addressing this problem would demonstrate a significant mitigation effort to improve the river.

We would also like to note the concerns raised by the City of Somerville in its EENF comments. The DEIR has not addressed these concerns and it is critical that they be addressed by the project proponent. The city raised concern about the developer's ability and willingness to cover the true cost of dredging the Mystic River and cleaning up the waterfront and other contamination on the property. We recommend that the developer is not permitted to proceed with the project if the costs of dredging and soil remediation exceed their cost projections and ability to pay to successfully complete addressing the environmental damage.

There has been considerable public and private investment in the Assembly Row development in Somerville by the Commonwealth, the City of Somerville and Federal Realty Investment Trust following a rigorous MEPA and Chapter 91 review process. This investment of millions is successfully moving forward. We strongly urge you to exercise at least the same rigor to the Wynn DEIR to ensure that the project addresses the adverse impacts on the neighboring communities and residents. Many thanks for this opportunity to comment.

Best Regards,

Carrie Dancy, Executive Director, East Somerville Main Streets & East Somerville Main Streets Board of Directors*

*This letter recuses Deirdre Ann Hosler, an ESMS board member, who did not participate in the conversation as a state employee

From: Sent: To: Subject: MGC Website <website@massgaming.com> Saturday, February 08, 2014 8:35 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Request a Speaker Submission

Name

Ann Kelleher

Email Address

joy85A@verizon.net

Company / Organization

Charlestown Citizens

Phone Number

(617)242-6066

Event Sponsor

Organizations in Charlestown

Event Date

02/18/2014

Event start and end times

Pending availability of speaker

Event Location

To be determined

Request a Specific MGC Speaker

Member of Gaming Commision

Event Description and Additional Comments

We in Charlestown are frustrated with the Wynn Group presentation at Charlestown High this past Tuesday evening at Charlestown High. We have no clear traffic solutuin and feel Charlestown will bear the brunt of pollution, idling engines in this densely populated area. As a nurse I am concerned that the air we breathe is not safe now and cannot fathom what the air will be like with this project. Please come and listen to our concerns.

March 21, 2014

com 2 4 Level

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Timothy P. McManus I am currently a resident of Peabody, MA. I am writing in regards to the proposal of the Wynn Casino in Everett, MA.

I have no involvement or desire for future employment with the Wynn Casino. I am writing in favor of the Wynn Casino. First let me say I retired in 2001 from the state of Massachusetts having served as a criminal investigator for nearly 30 years. I went to work for Bally's hotel in Las Vegas as both a security officer and investigator from August 2006 through 2007. I reluctantly returned to Massachusetts due to an illness in the family.

During that time I became aware of the opinion of nearly every employee I encountered from my hotel and nearly every other hotel casino, which intrigued me about the Wynn Casino's past and present ownerships of various Hotel Casinos in Las Vegas.

About 90% of these employees of the hotels I got to know wanted to work for Wynn at one of his hotels. I must have spoken with hundreds of these employees trying to figure out what made the Wynn properties such a prime place to work.

After months of speaking to different people from every type of employment position hotel staff and casino workers I determined that the opinion was that the Wynn Corporation or whatever it was called, treated their employee's extremely well.

One gentleman, whom had formerly worked for Wynn at the Mirage Hotel and Casino, stated that working for Wynn is a huge difference than any other Hotel Casino. Wynn is just the best place for employees, to grow, earn a good living and are treated well and also as professionals. He had retired due to cancer, after 37 years working in the various hotel casinos in Las Vegas, but said it was the best place he had ever worked.

Also there were nearly daily articles in the local newspapers of various community activities being sponsored by Wynn hotels. This was far more than any other Hotel Casino in Las Vegas. Maybe they took the time and had a good publicity firm, I don't know. Still it showed they had enough concern for their image to do even the little things right.

The only negative I heard was that Wynn Casino is really too expensive for the average guy to gamble. I personally don't consider that a negative as it tells me that Wynn isn't interested in promoting gambling to those who are not in a position to lose money they don't have. I unfortunately witnessed these people everyday while working in Las Vegas.

We will only accept deliveries from UNION CARRIERS. All other deliveries WILL BE REFUSED!

Teamsters Local Union No. 25 affiliated with the

International Brotherhood of Teamsters 544 MAIN STREET • BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02129-1113 • (617) 241-8825 • Fax (617) 242-4284 www.teamsterslocal25.com

March 21, 2014

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commissioners:

On behalf of the membership of Teamsters Local 25, I am writing the Massachusetts Gaming Commission in support of the Mohegan Sun Massachusetts at Suffolk Downs resort casino application.

Mohegan Sun Massachusetts will be a world-class destination resort casino that evokes the rich and deep history of both Revere and Greater Boston. The Mohegan Sun proposal will create 2500 construction jobs and 4000 permanent when the Casino is built. Thoroughbred Racing at Suffolk Downs will be preserved along with the jobs that are associated with live racing. The residents of Revere (which include 600 Teamster Members and their families) will greatly benefit from the tax revenue and infrastructure improvement this project will provide.

The Mohegan Sun at Suffolk Downs is the best choice for Greater Boston. Teamsters Local 25 asks that the Massachusetts Gaming Commission favorably support the Mohegan Sun Massachusetts at Suffolk Downs resort casino application.

Sincerely,

Sean M. O'Brien President/Principal Officer

Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Marehousemen & Helpers, Furniture & Piano Mobing, Furniture Store Dribers, Packers & Helpers, Conbentions, Exhibit & Trade Shows, Boston and Greater Boston Area, Massachusetts

SEAN M. O'BRIEN President/Principal Officer

MARK A. HARRINGTON Secretary-Treasurer

THOMAS G. MARI Vice President/Business Agent

ANDREW P. WALSH Recording Secretary

JOHN "JAY" MANLEY Trustee

JOAN C. COREY Trustee

KENNETH M. CICCONE Trustee

JOHN A. MURPHY Business Agent

GEORGE B. SLICIS Business Agent

ROBERT E. FABRIZIO Business Agent

STEVEN J. SOUTH Business Agent

ROBERT J. AIGUIER, JR. Business Agent

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers





256 FREEPORT STREET • DORCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 02122 TELEPHONE: (617) 436-3710 FAX: (617) 436-3299 TOLL FREE: (800) 218-0075 WEBSITE: www.the103advantage.com ® 🚰 GCN 🖮 381-0

Sandy 2 9 21.9

March 20, 2014

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

RE: Region A. Mohegan Sun Massachusetts

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission:

We write in support of the Mohegan Sun Massachusetts at Suffolk Downs resort casino application. The Mohegan Sun Massachusetts plan is comprehensive, well thought and thorough.

Mohegan Sun Massachusetts is a \$1.3 billion destination resort proposed for Revere. Mohegan Sun Massachusetts will be a world-class destination resort casino that evokes the rich and deep history of Revere and Greater Boston. Central to this theme will be the waterfront and Revere's long history as a coastal community and hub of tourism, as well as the history and excitement of the adjacent Suffolk Downs racetrack.

There are several key points in support of the Mohegan Sun project:

Create Jobs

This project will produce 2,500 construction jobs. Also, since Mohegan Sun has signed into a Project Labor Agreement, we know this will be on time and on budget. Additional infrastructure and transportation improvements in the area will provide hundreds of additional jobs. Once the development is open for business, there will be 4,000 permanent jobs. Mohegan Sun has entered into labor harmony agreements and these will be good jobs, with good salaries, benefits and opportunities for significant career development.

Spur local business

This project will be good for local businesses because Mohegan Sun has comprehensive plans to contract with area vendors and local suppliers to help build their businesses.

Preserve Thoroughbred Racing

Should Mohegan Sun Massachusetts earn the Category 1 license for its region, the owners of Suffolk Downs have committed to using revenue from Mohegan Sun Massachusetts' ground lease to preserve and enhance racing at the historic facility.

Diversity for construction personnel

Diversity in hiring is a key goal of the Expanded Gaming Act and a lynchpin of Mohegan Sun's corporate philosophy. Mohegan Sun Massachusetts has set goals to hire 25 percent minority and 10 percent women in its Host Community Agreement, far exceeding the minimum requirements. By contrast, the Wynn proposal sets his goals at the bare minimum provided by the statute.

Page 2 March 20, 2014

Continued Reinvestment in the Facility

Mohegan Sun is committed to continued reinvestment in the property and enhancing the facility. By contrast, the Wynn proposal requests removing the requirement that gaming facilities invest 3.5 percent of gross gaming revenue in improvements to the facility, taking away the Commission's discretion to approve multi-year plans that meet the 3.5 percent annual expectation. The Boston area deserves a higher-priority status and a commitment to reinvestment.

Good for the environment

The development will preserve thoroughbred racing, which means preservation of open space. The proposed project also includes numerous environmentally friendly initiatives to ensure long-term sustainability.

Improved transportation and infrastructure

First and foremost, clearly the Mohegan Sun project has the best accessibility for patrons and employees – minutes from Logan airport, public transportation and easily accessible. Once this project is completed, it will improve the transportation infrastructure that exists right now.

Construction schedule

The Mohegan Sun Massachusetts construction schedule is shorter than the other Region A developer and ensures jobs are created in a timelier manner and cities, towns and the state reap the revenues from this project sooner.

Mohegan Sun is the best choice for Region A. We urge your support for this application.

Sincerely,

michael P. Monakan

Michael P. Monahan Business Manager

From: Sent: To: Subject: christine eskilson <christineeskilson@comcast.net> Thursday, March 20, 2014 7:08 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Charlestown

I am a resident of Charlestown and have attended two public meetings over the past months to hear the Wynn representatives present their plan for the proposed Everett casino. Although I am personally not a gambling fan, I intended to keep an open mind. I left both meetings extremely concerned about the prospect of the casino being built on Charlestown's doorstep, particularly with respect to traffic in Sullivan Square. We all know Sullivan Square is a traffic problem right now but adding at least 1000 cars alone in the described peak hour between 7-8 pm will turn Sullivan Square and surrounding streets into a virtual parking lot. Wynn has no answer to the Sullivan Square issue, only promises to fund a study and promises to urge the state to spend gambling proceeds on a solution. I don't know what the solution but I'm not sure any amount of \$ can solve the problem and I foresee huge charter buses lumbering through our residential streets in an attempt to outmaneuver the inevitable gridlock. I don't begrudge Everett for wanting to seize the opportunity to develop an area of industrial blight and reap significant revenues, but Charlestown is the community that will be most adversely affected. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the meeting next week on March 26 but I urge that this likely catastrophe for Charlestown be rejected.

Christine Eskilson 52 Park Street Charlestown MA 02129 christineeskilson@comcast.net

From:James Matsoukas <jmatsoukas@PierceAtwood.com>Sent:Friday, March 21, 2014 11:57 AMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Subject:Comment Regarding The Proposed Wynn Casino in Everett - Charlestown Resident

Dear MGC Members,

I am firmly against having a casino in Everett.

To suggest that Charlestown is not a host community is neglecting reality in favor of a narrow interpretation of the language in the statute. Charlestown will pay a heavy price in terms of traffic, overuse of infrastructure, and tolerating an influx of people that have nothing invested in the neighborhood. I moved to Charlestown three years ago and have been working very hard to improve my property and invest my time in community activities to the extent that I can. A casino is diametrically opposed to the type of neighborhood we are developing and nurturing. Furthermore, the city of Boston and the state of Massachusetts can do better in terms of economic development than hitching our wagon to casinos. Economic development results from education, self-reliance, knowledge-based and tech-based opportunities, and growing businesses (or luring businesses) that are focused on meaningful opportunities that sustain communities, promote the self-respect of their residents, and move the city and state forward in terms of the quality and creativity that Massachusetts is Relying on an economic development model that has not proven itself to be consistently effective, known for. that has proven itself to be detrimental to its patrons and surrounding community, and that is frequented by many lower income people that can ill-afford to lose the assets they have built is not the best use of our public policy efforts and imagination. It is, in part, a regressive tax and, if I may say so, a relatively lazy approach to community building and economic development. We can do better. We should do better. Hopefully we will do better.

The Mass. Gaming Commission is holding a hearing on the Wynn/Everett casino proposal on Wednesday, March 26 at 4 pm at the Boston Convention Center. I have been informed this will be the ONLY opportunity for Charlestown residents to directly express to the Commission our concerns over the proposal for a casino on our doorstep. If so, why is it at 4PM? Do you assume all Charlestown residents are available on a workday at 4PM? If not, it suggests a lack of commitment and integrity regarding the review process as well as a lack of respect for Charlestown residents.

Sincerely,

James Matsoukas 34 Monument Square, Unit 1 Charlestown, MA 02129

From:timluatmit <timluatmit@gmail.com>Sent:Sunday, March 23, 2014 10:57 AMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Subject:Against Wynn casino

Dear Gaming Commission

I would like to express my strong disapproval for the proposed Wynn casino in Everett. As a resident of Charlestown, I believe this casino would dramatically increase traffic, crime, and pollution during both the construction and operating phase in both Boston, Everett, and the surrounding communities. The benefits would accrue mainly to the out of state Wynn corporation rather than the state or it's residents. As a result, although the PR has been hyping the Wynn casino, it will be a lose lose for all parties except for Wynn in the long run.

Best Tim Lu

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jonathan Judd <jonguyjudd@yahoo.com> Sunday, March 23, 2014 5:23 PM MGCcomments (MGC) Casino in Everett

To Whom It May Concern.

I am very worried about the traffic in Charlestown with the casino coming to Everett.

Charlestown traffic is already congested with the people that live here, as well as the tourist traffic. The roundabout at Sullivan square is already dangerous and congested, not to mention the traffic coming into Sullivan. It will only get worse with all the casino traffic.

Please consider this issue further, in deciding how traffic will be managed, and ensuring how to keep traffic in Charlestown center safe.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Jonathan Judd 23 Mystic Street Charlestown, MA 02129

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: allisonjcorey <allisonjcorey@yahoo.com> Saturday, March 22, 2014 4:46 PM MGCcomments (MGC) No on the Casino

Hey, there -

My name is Allison Corey Jordan, and I live at 33 Monument Avenue in Charlestown. My husband and I are strongly opposed to the proposed casino in Everett. Please do everything you can to stop this from happening.

1

5

Thanks so much!

Allison

From:	Steven Stanfield <stonesfield57@gmail.com></stonesfield57@gmail.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, February 19, 2014 1:04 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Re: I support the Wynn Everett

im a native of Everett. my family has lived there for years. I think it will really help the city and any surrounding cities a great deal. just the new jobs it brings will be worth it. that's just my personal opinion. I know there are downsides to it too. just have to prepare for any negatives, while you reap the benefits from the positives..thank you for your time n consideration..sincerely..steven stanfield

On Wed, Feb 19, 2014 at 10:52 AM, MGCcomments (MGC) <<u>mgccomments@state.ma.us</u>> wrote:

Thank you for contacting the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The Commission welcomes your feedback as the state continues to prepare for the arrival of expanded gaming.

December 6, 2013

Cynthia Sarnie 338 Main St Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

As a lifelong resident of the city of Everett, active member of the Chamber of Commerce, and also one of three common councilors that represent the area in which this proposal will sit, it gives me great delight to write this letter of support. My family has owned a local business here in the city of Everett for decades, and I understand first-hand what it means to be a provider of employment. This one single development will create well over four thousand permanent jobs.

I'm fully aware of the multitude of other developers that have come to the city of Everett intrigued by this waterfront property. Once it is understood the costs related to remedy the level of contamination, they have wished our community well and never returned. It is impressive that Wynn is fully are committed to transforming this brown field into a waterfront five-star resort that everyone may enjoy.

I am proud to be one of the 86.5% of the residents who voted favorable in the referendum and I hope that the Gaming Commission see the once in a lifetime opportunity that it is, not only for the city of Everett but the state of Massachusetts and award this license to our beloved city.

Sincerely,

Cynthia E Sarnie Councilor Ward 6

JAN - 2 2014

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

December 6, 2013

Jason Marcus 133 Dartmouth St Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

My name is Jason Marcus I am a long serving member of both the Common Council and Board Of Alderman in the city of Everett. It is a true pleasure to write this letter in support of Wynn Resorts Development. As I campaigned throughout the city for my current ward two Councilor seat, the repeated issue that people spoke out about is the need for jobs in our community.

Over the last few decades we have lost major employers. Our city is seeing a 6% unemployment rate which is not good, and this development will put those residents back to work. This one development will truly create careers for my neighbors and friends in the city of Everett. This is my main reason i support this development. I Would like to thank the Massachusetts Gaming Commmission, and ask that you strongly consider awarding the sole eastern gaming license to Wynn Resorts in Everett

Jusin marcus

December 7, 2013

Richard Dell Isola 13 Griswold St Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

I've lived in Ward 6 for over twenty years, and now a current Ward 3 city councilor I am pleased to offer my support for this project. My family has strong ties in the family of Everett for over 100 years, and has seen this transform. This one development will change not only Everett, but the region like nothing before.

As the Pop Warner football coordinator, I work closely with parents each day. It's evident the difficulties families with young children face with the lack of quality jobs, and qualified Everett residents and their families will be given preference in hiring.

Wynn Everett will create more than 3,700 construction jobs and 4,000 permanent jobs; the largest so far of all the proposed casino resorts in Massachusetts. Thousands of team members at Wynn are long-time employees who have been with the company for years, far longer than the industry average. It's also customary to see many members of the same family working at Wynn, some spanning three generations. This is exactly the type of employer we are eager to have in our community.

For this reason, as well as a host of others, I respectfully ask that you grant the gaming license to Wynn Resort and Casino in Everett, for I truly feel that this is project that will yield the best results immediately and for our future.

Sincerely, Ried Delliste



February 20, 2014

Theresa Spinelli 168 Fuller St Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

My name is Theresa Spinelli, and I was born and raised in Everett. As a young child I can remember riding along Broadway and mountains of sulfur were right beside the street and went as far over as the water. Later, my brother worked for Monsanto Chemical Co., and told us how there were areas in the plant where chemicals were randomly dumped in large amounts.

Everett was a close community and every fourth of July family barbeques, a big parade, and family gatherings were the norm. As a long-time resident of Everett, I firmly believe that our city needs Wynn to bring it forward in this new century. Everett needs a stimulus to fill our city with that which was lost when all the local industry left.

I urge to you to strongly consider Everett and Wynn Resorts when granting the sole eastern casino license. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

Sincerely,

Therese Spinelli

Theresa Spinelli

January 25, 2014

Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Richard Sullivan, Jr. 100 Cambridge St. Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

JAN 2.8 201

Dear Secretary Sullivan,

I was born and raised in Charlestown. In the 1980's I came to Everett. As you know there is only one bridge that connects these two great communities. I can speak first hand as a resident from both communities that this clean-up will give many residents the opportunity to enjoy the green open space and water access. If Mr. Wynn is not given the opportunity to develop this site, not only will Everett, but the area will suffer and very well may never see this site remediated.

This project is not only important to me because of the environmental clean-up, but for the 4,000 plus jobs it will bring. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter of support.

Sincerely anne Greedon

Ann Creedon 381 Ferry St. Everett, MA 02149

C.C. MEAA

From:	joe tutalo <jtutalo@hotmail.com></jtutalo@hotmail.com>
Sent:	Saturday, March 08, 2014 3:32 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Re: 5 stars, not 3 stars!

Steve Wynn is by far the best casino owner to work for & to run and make Mass a great place to visit. No doubt Steve Wynn is the most deserving .

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 8, 2014, at 3:25 PM, "MGCcomments (MGC)" <<u>mgccomments@state.ma.us</u>> wrote:

Thank you for contacting the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The Commission welcomes your feedback as the state continues to prepare for the arrival of expanded gaming.

Upn

From:	Anthony DeMarco <demarco380@gmail.com></demarco380@gmail.com>
Sent:	Friday, March 07, 2014 9:31 AM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	RE: What's Best for Massachusetts

One more thing, I thinks it's great that Wynn resorts is transforming that area into something good. The environmental people and the state should be real happy about that.

It's good to take property that really can't be used into something that can be, as well as adding to the economy too. Suffolk downs is still going to have the oil tanks there and that's and eye sore for a prestigious casino. Can't be appealing to go to!

On Mar 4, 2014 3:53 PM, "MGCcomments (MGC)" <<u>mgccomments@state.ma.us</u>> wrote:

Thank you for contacting the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The Commission welcomes your feedback as the state continues to prepare for the arrival of expanded gaming.



October 10, 2013

Lorraine Bray 66 Main St. Apt# 411 Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

I have been a resident of Everett all my life. I've raised my family here, and worked in the city at the hospital for many years.

I would love for Wynn Resorts and Casino to be so close to home, where I can go there anytime I wanted to. It would be so nice to enjoy the waterfront, and five star facility.

I feel this city, and the surrounding area will benefit from this resort and casino destination, and I urge you to award the license to Everett, and Wynn Resorts!

- Aracini Bray Sincerely,

Massachusetts Resident



October 10, 2013

Jose A. Duarte 66 Main St. Apt# 408 Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

For the past 42 years I have been a resident of Everett and proudly raised my daughter here.

I'm supporting the Wynn Resort and Casino that is proposed here in Everett because I feel the city and surrounding area will benefit from the jobs, revenue and road improvements. I enjoy gaming, and would love to have the Wynn close by.

Please consider awarding the eastern casino license to Everett, so that this five-star establishment may be built and enjoyed right here at home!

Sincerely,

pose aurati

Massachusetts Resident



October 10, 2013

Joe DiNapoli 66 Main St. Apt# 512 Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

My name is Joe DiNapoli. I'm 86 years old, andhave been an Everett resident for 36 years.

I'm for the Wynn Resort and Casino, and feel this five star resort and casino will put Everett on the map!

Please consider granting the license to Everett and Wynn Resorts because I strongly feel this development is going to greatly benefit this city and the surrounding area.

P.S. I hope I will still be around to enjoy it!!

Sincerely,

.» Joe Di' Myri

Massachusetts Resident

October 10, 2013

Felice DiNapoli 66 Main St. Apt# 5/2 Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

I have been a resident of Everett for the past eighty-four years. I've enjoyed gambling since I've been of age, and I LOVE it!

I support the Wynn Resort and Casino proposed for Everett, because at this age, I don't like having to travel so far for my gaming entertainment, and I'm thrilled at the thought of having it so close to home.

Please consider granting the license to Everett and Wynn Resorts because I strongly feel this development is going to greatly benefit this city and the surrounding area.

Sincerely,

Plater Dikapoli

Massachusetts Resident



October 10, 2013

Robert Delorfano 66 Main St. Apt# 105 Everett, MA 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

I have been a resident of Everett all my life. I've raised my family here, and worked in the city at the hospital for many years.

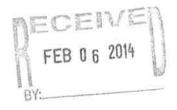
I would love for Wynn Resorts and Casino to be so close to home, where I can go there anytime I wanted to. It would be so nice to enjoy the waterfront, and five star facility.

I feel this city, and the surrounding area will benefit from this resort and casino destination, and I urge you to award the license to Everett, and Wynn Resorts!

Sincerely,

20 yan #105

Massachusetts Resident



January 20, 2013

Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Reviewer:

As a resident of Everett, MA, I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This site has been detrimental to this city for decades.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Everett to have a highly reputable developer invest 40 million dollars to clean an existing Brownfield site. Everett needs to be cleaned up and the Wynn Group would be the best people to do this.

Sincerely,

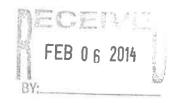
a (DQcb Pasquale D'Angelo

Everett Resident

Cc. Mass Gaming Commission

January 14, 2014

Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge St, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114



Dear Reviewer:

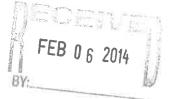
I am a small business owner in Everett since 1975. I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This opportunity to clean that contaminated property should not be missed. Wynn is a highly reputable company willing to make this enormous investment, essentially becoming a growth engine for our city. Mr. Wynn has pledged, and we in Everett believe, that Wynn Everett will be a cooperative partner in our community.

Sincerely, Malcae 4 Marlene Zizza (

Marji's Florist 252 Main Street Everett, MA 02149

Cc. MGC

Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge St, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114



Dear Reviewer:

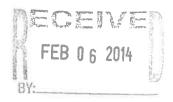
I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. The Wynn company is willing to invest millions in the clean-up of the former Monsanto site and then build a world class resort there, bringing thousands of jobs to the area along with a beautiful outdoor area for the public to enjoy without even having to enter the resort or casino. The residents of Everett are overwhelmingly in favor of the project as are many MA residents from surrounding areas. The project's impact on Everett and MA is wholly positive.

Sincerely, Michael Bertone

Reading resident

Cc. MGC

Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge St, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114



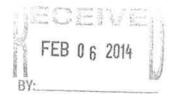
Dear Reviewer:

I support the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. I applaud The Wynn company for their willingness to invest millions to remediate that polluted property in Everett. The beautiful resort and casino complex will bring entertainment value to this area that currently can only be found out of our state. Wynn has the money and the know-how to build and operate successfully a resort of this magnitude.

Sincerely, Burnadette Bertone

Bernadette Berto Reading resident

Cc. MGC



Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Reviewer:

As a resident of Everett, MA, I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This site has been detrimental to this city for decades.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Everett to have a highly reputable developer invest 40 million dollars to clean an existing Brownfield site. Everett needs to be cleaned up.

Sincerely,

Warlen Demisdyron

Darlene Demirdjian

Everett Resident

FEB 0 6 2014

Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Reviewer:

As a business owner and resident of Everett, MA, I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This site has been detrimental to this city for decades.

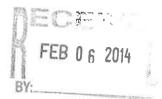
This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Everett to have a highly reputable developer invest 40 million dollars to clean an existing Brownfield site. There has never been anyone willing or able to do this task, and I believe that Mr. Wynn and the Wynn group will and can take on this endeavor with the utmost respect for this community and the surrounding community.

Sincerely,

Jano Dargeld-Duna

Gianna D'Angelo-Dunn

Everett Resident



Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Reviewer:

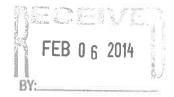
As a resident of Everett, MA, I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This site has been detrimental to this city for decades.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Everett to have a highly reputable developer invest 40 million dollars to clean an existing Brownfield site. Everett needs to be cleaned up and the Wynn Group would be the best people to do this.

Sincerely,

Stephen Dunn

Everett Resident



Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Attn: MEPA Office/ MEPA Reviewer 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Reviewer:

As a resident of Everett, MA, I am writing in support of the Environmental Impact Report for Wynn Everett. This site has been detrimental to this city for decades.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Everett to have a highly reputable developer invest 40 million dollars to clean an existing Brownfield site. Everett needs to be cleaned up and the Wynn Group would be the best people to do this.

Sincerely,

Giovanna D'Angelo

Everett Resident

From:	kcoogan@atlantic-associates.com
Sent:	Wednesday, January 22, 2014 12:53 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Cc:	action@everettunited.com
Subject:	I support Wynn Everett because it will clean up the Monsanto Brownfields!

Dear Commissioners, I am writing today to let you know that I am in full support of the proposed Wynn Everett. Thousands of jobs, millions in taxes, a fantastic destination that will draw visitors from all over the world - this is the right choice for our region and for the whole Commonwealth. I respectfully urge you to please approve the Wynn Everett!

And this is the only chance we will have in our lifetimes to clean up the contaminated Monsanto Brownfields that other developers want nothing to do with. After Wynn remediates this contaminated site the people of Everett and the surrounding communities of Boston, Medford, Somerville, Malden, Chelsea, Revere, and so on will finally have access to a revitalized waterfront area that has been closed to the public for over a century.

Sincerely,

Kevin P. Coogan Everett, Massachusetts

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Karen Krause-Bencal <kkbencal@gmail.com> Wednesday, January 22, 2014 7:20 AM MGCcomments (MGC) action@everettunited.com Wynn Everett

Dear Commissioners

I am writing to ask you to support the Wynn casino in Everett. We want the project as it reclaims unused land, adds jobs, and will beautify lower broadway area. We believe traffic can be mitigated with solutions the Wynn team proposed. Steve Wynn is a highly accomplished and high end casino developer. He would be a good trusted parter for the Commonwealth.

Sincerely, Chris and Karen Bencal 210 Broadway Unit A403 Everett, MA

From: Sent: To: Subject: richcaswell@comcast.net Wednesday, January 22, 2014 10:15 AM MGCcomments (MGC) I support the Wynn Everett!

From: Sent: To: Subject: frankp617@comcast.net Wednesday, January 22, 2014 10:22 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Wynn Everett

Ladies and Gentleman,

I'm a lifelong Everett resident who supports the Wynn hotel casino resort. Along with the positive economic impact, by awarding Wynn the gaming license you would make Everett, and the region, cleaner and greener. By cleaning up 150 years of pollution on that site, you will make the region healthier for all.

Sincerely, Frank Parker 28 Freeman Ave Everett, MA 02149

Sent from Xfinity Mobile App

From:	peter santini <petesantini@yahoo.com></petesantini@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, January 22, 2014 8:27 AM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	I fully support Wynn Everett casino thank you peter Santini 90 main st Everett fishing
-	finatics

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:Myles Johnson <mylesjohnsonmf@gmail.com>Sent:Wednesday, January 22, 2014 8:33 AMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Cc:action@everettunited.comSubject:I support Wynn Everett

Dear Commissioners,

I write to let you know that I support the proposed Wynn Everett project. The cleanup of this long contaminated site and renovation to a viable, productive entity will be beneficial to the entire surrounding community and the Commonwealth.

I respectfully urge you to approve the Wynn Everett proposal.

Sincerely,

Myles F. Johnson 19 Ernest Street Saugus MA 01906

From: Sent: To: Subject: fbcpvjr@comcast.net Wednesday, January 22, 2014 8:11 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Wynn Resort

To Mass Gaming Commission,

I am an Everett Resident and would like to tell you I am one of the 86.5% of the Everett Voters that voted for the Resort and the Wynn family to come to Everett. No second thoughts, first vote and we want this Resort and Casino in our City. The perks of having a dirty site converted to a clean site plus the added revenue plus the employment plus changing the roads from 128 in to Everett at the developers expense is like a gift from our god father. Please keep an open mind and give the deserved license to Mr. Wynn when the time is right. Vincent Ragucci Jr. 74 Clark Street Everett. MA 02149

From:	Brian Savi <briansavi22@aol.com></briansavi22@aol.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, January 22, 2014 12:03 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Cc:	action@everettunited.com
Subject:	I support the Wynn Everett!

Everett will be a great destination for the casino

 $\widetilde{\mathcal{A}}$

From: Sent: To: Subject: priestley749@comcast.net Wednesday, January 22, 2014 1:25 PM MGCcomments (MGC) Wynn Everett

I and my family and friends support the Wynn Everett project and urge you to vote in our favor. This will not only be a boon for Everett but for the whole Commonwealth.

From:Eve Hoban <ehoban@melrose.mec.edu>Sent:Wednesday, January 22, 2014 9:51 AMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Cc:action@everettunited.comSubject:Wynn Resorts

As a member of the Everett community I am asking for your suuport at this time for the Wynn Resorts project. I have never seen a community come together in the hopes of achieving something so positive for our town. I believe Steve Wynn has embraced this project with the utmost respect for the community and the people who live here. He has been able to combine business with community to bring forth a postiive approach to land use that has long since been forgotten. I believe the amenities offered to the tourism trade in Boston and the surrounding community will only add to the historical charm that is already in place. The people of Everett are proud to live here and would be thrilled to see Everett put on the map so others can see what we have right here in our own backyards. I am asking once again to please vote in the affirmative to bring Wynn Resorts to Everett. You will not be disappointed.

Eve Hoban 83 Cleveland Avenue Everett MA 02149 Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

December 7, 2013

Rosa DiFlorio 26 Dyer Ave Everett, Ma 02149

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter demonstrating my support for the Wynn Resort and Casino development in Everett. My name is Rosa DiFlorio, Ward 5 city councilor. I've been a resident for over fifty years, and I'm an Italian immigrant.

It has been quite an opportunity to participate in bringing in a development of this size. I know first-hand as a blue collar worker, the importance of the 4,000 plus jobs this project will create. Wynn Resorts will not just offer jobs, but careers with a company recognized as the number one large employer in Las Vegas by its employees in the Las Vegas Review-Journal's "Top Workplaces" survey.

I like a company that celebrates diversity, and promotes opportunity to immigrants as Mr. Wynn demonstrated by holding a graduation ceremony for all recent naturalized immigrants in the Las Vegas area.

With 86.5% of the community supporting this project, please consider this when granting the sole eastern gaming license. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Apa li Florio

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109

December 5, 2013 ATCOSI Address 02149 MA City

Dear Massachusetts Gaming Commission,

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter demonstrating my support for the Wynn Resort and Casino development in Everett. There are so many reasons why I feel this project deserves to be awarded the sole eastern region casino license.

It is because of this development that we will have funding to make improvements to the community's roadways pertaining to Santilli Circle and Sweetser Circle. I am this development connecting Everett to the Boston waterfront, and Convention Center via water taxi service and ferry.

Please consider granting the gaming license to Wynn Resorts in Everett for this once in a life-time opportunity to place Everett on the map as an economically stimulating city in the state of Massachusetts.

Sincerely, Chithory Materialey

From:	MGC Website <website@massgaming.com></website@massgaming.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:36 AM
To:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Contact the Commissioner Form Submission
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up
Flag Status:	Flagged

Name

Wayne Perry

Email

wayneperry@comm-pass-statebidconsulting.com

Phone

(781)817-3711

Subject

Everret or Revere Casino public transportation

Questions or Comments

It was brought up last fall at a MassDOT/MBTA board of directors meeting that the silver line is going to be extended in a couple of years to Chelsea. A new line will be created and a route made. If I were asked, I would recommend to the commission to contact DOT concerning what their intentions would be to include in the new silver line route the new casino in whatever location it actually ends up in. DOT can not at this point include something that does not exist, but it is inconcievable that they would miss the opportunity to include a new casino.

I do not expect either of the two casino applicants for region A to be aware of this. At the time during the public meeting when this subject came up for discussion I was the only member of the public there.

Wyane Perry

From: Sent: To: Subject: george Bellofatto <prodiver@msn.com> Saturday, March 08, 2014 3:18 PM MGCcomments (MGC) casino permit

Dear Sirs: I do not know if you have ever considered the proximity of the Everett Casino location to the Distrigas L.N.G,terminal located 1000' from the proposed location, as I have worked for national grid in an lng plant for 31 years, please consider the fact, that if there were a leak in either 1 or both tanks, at the distri-gas terminal the evacuation of the area and the casino! will be of paramount importance the heat radiation zone at my plant for zone 1 is 1500' then 2500' out to 1 mile, I do not know if you have required a evacuation plan but I think it will be very important. I dread to think if there was a L.N.G. ship in the harbor at the same time but the math is tank 1= 250 million gallons. Tank 2 = 250 million gallons then add a ship at 500 million gallons total 1 billion gallons of liquid with an expansion ratio of 626 to 1, there would be quite a problem. I know we have an exemplary safety record, but over my last 31 years the only 2 major leaks that were at an l.n.g plant in new England, were both at the Everett location ,I don't know if you gentlemen considered the l.n.g. tanker trucks that come out of the terminal 24 hours a day seven days a week but there are 3 major truck transport truck company's that haul out of Everett, lastly all the lng tanks are at this time 3/8/2014 the levels of my co,s tanks are at extreme low levels due to the extreme cold winter so we are planning on some heavy trucking all summer ot all of our 17 x l.n.g plants. I just thought you might like to know what else needs to be considered.

Thank You George Bellofatto Shift Supervisor Lynn L.N.G. Plant Lynn Ma. 01901

If you want to call me feel free 781-389-2392

Bratton-Davies, Marianne (MGC)

From:	MGC Website <website@massgaming.com></website@massgaming.com>
Sent:	Monday, March 03, 2014 10:31 AM
To:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Contact the Commissioner Form Submission
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up

Completed

Name

Flag Status:

Deane Johnston

Email

desjohnst@hotmail.com

Phone

(339)221-6490

Subject

Wynn Everett

Questions or Comments

Is the relative proximity of the proposed Wynn casino and hotel to the existing LNG terminal on the Mystic River in Everett a cause for concern?

As the weekly tanker shipments are accompanied by an extaordinary security entourage, it would appear that the construction of such a facility would unecessarily place a large number of people in harm's way a further complicate the security concerns surrounding the vessal.

FRIENDS OF CITY SQUARE PARK

10 February 2014

Richard K. Sullivan, OEEA Attn: MEPA Office/MEPA Reviewers 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114 via email to: anne.canaday@state.ma.us

And:

Stephen Crosby, Chair Gayle Cameron, James McHugh, Bruce Stebbins and Enrique Zuniga, Commissioners Rick Day, Executive Director John Ziemba, Ombudsman Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston, MA 02109 via email to: mgccomments@state.ma.us

Re: EOEEA #15060 Wynn Casino DEIR

Dear Mr. Sullivan et al.:

We, the Board of the Friends of City Square Park in Charlestown, herewith express our grave concern over the potential for disruption to our community by the increase in traffic volume which could result from the construction of the proposed Wynn Resort and Casino complex in Everett.

From years of work and research, the Friends of City Square Park have experienced the dire affects a major traffic corridor can have on a community. We also know firsthand what improvements can result when the traffic is reduced, quieted and removed. City Square Park is a shining example of what can happen when a community works diligently to create a peaceful and beautiful space at the edge of a major transportation corridor, in this case City Square Park at the southern end of Rutherford Avenue, here in Charlestown.

A tremendous amount of work has gone into creating bike lanes and reducing the impact of traffic in our neighborhood. It is dismaying to learn that peak-hour traffic approaching and departing the Wynn Resort in Everett may add as many as 800 vehicles an hour to surface roadways in Charlestown. This would be unacceptable to our community.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2014 OFFICERS Governor/President Annette Tecce Deputy Governor/Vice President Ken Stone Treasurer Eric Philippi Clerk Mary Colvario Secretary Janet Saunders

DIRECTORS

Grace Bloodwell Pam Brodie Paul Clausen David Donovan Rick DuBard Toby Goldstein Virginia Goscinak Dennis Jenkins Daniel Kovacevic Sarah Lynch Jim O'Brien J. D. Pell Osborn Matt McCord Catherine Shanks Tom Slaman

FRIENDS OF CITY SQUARE PARK

We feel that it is irresponsible to allow construction of the Wynn Resort in Everett to proceed without guarantees, assurances and proof that its impact will be minimal on the community of Charlestown, the neighborhood of Boston closest to the Wynn Resort site.

Sincerely yours,

Annette Tecce, Governor Friends of City Square Park

cc: Martin Walsh, Mayor City of Boston Salvatore LaMattina, City Councillor D1 Sal N. DiDomenico, Senator, State of Massachusetts Middlesex and Suffolk Bill Linehan, President City Council Michael Flaherty, City Councillor At-Large Stephen J. Murphy, City Councillor At-Large Ayanna Pressley, City Councillor At-Large Michelle Wu, City Councillor At-Large Editor, Charlestown Patriot Bridge

From:	atadesign <atadesign@att.net></atadesign@att.net>
Sent:	Tuesday, February 11, 2014 11:48 AM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC); Canaday, Anne (EEA); Ziemba, John S (MGC)
Cc:	Sal DiDomenico; Salvatore.LaMattina@cityofboston.gov; mayor@cityofboston.gov; Bill.Linehan@cityofboston.gov; Michael.F.Flaherty@boston.gov; Stephen.Murphy@cityofboston.gov; Ayanna.Pressley@cityofboston.gov; Michelle.Wu@boston.gov; editor@charlestownbridge.com
Subject:	Wynn Resort Casino Project
Attachments:	letter re Wynn Casino.pdf

Attached please find a 2 page letter expressing the concerns of the Friends of City Square Park in Charlestown regarding the Wynn Resort Casino project.

Please consider these concerns as you debate the viability of this project and what it will do to the quality of life for the residents of Charlestown.

Thank you, Annette Tecce, Governor Friends of City Square Park

FULFILLING YOUR ORGANIZATION'S PROMISE

LIZ LEVIN & COMPANY MANAGEMENT CONSULTING

February 7, 2014

Richard K. Sullivan Secretary, OEEA 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

And:

Stephen Crosby, Chair Gayle Cameron, Commissioner James McHugh, Commissioner Bruce Stebbins, Commissioner Enrique Zuniga, Commissioner Rick Day, Executive Director

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston MA 02109

Re: EEA# 15060 Wynn Casino DEIR

Dear Secretary Sullivan and Gaming Commission Members,

I am a Charlestown Resident who lives and works on Bunker Hill St. near Sullivan Square. For the last four years many of my Charlestown neighbors and I have devoted countless volunteer hours to help the City of Boston develop a plan for Rutherford Ave./Sullivan Square that makes our community more transit, pedestrian and bicycle friendly and that improves the traffic flow. The plan will create a vibrant transit-oriented mixed-use development in Sullivan Square. If you have ever gone through the wasteland that Sullivan Square is today you know how important our work is.

I appreciate that the Wynn proposal will create jobs, generate tax revenues, remediate this contaminated site and activate the Mystic River waterfront. Nevertheless, the proposed development will generate a high volume of traffic that poses a potentially significant adverse impact to our Charlestown community. The DEIR (despite all its pages) does not adequately address the severity of that impact nor propose sufficient mitigation. Here is what I would like to see you require of the Proponent.

1) That a summary traffic analysis for Charlestown impacts be prepared that is clearer and more understandable than the current document and that clarifies many of the assumptions and sources that are identified in this letter and in other community letters.

2) That the trip generation for the casino be carefully reviewed with respect to the similarity/or dissimilarity of the two casinos used as the "prototype" and to the appropriateness for excluding the Sugarhouse Casino.

3) That the mitigation includes consideration of a roadway that connects to Gateway Plaza and Mystic View Road. This would redistribute some of the traffic that now solely enters and exits to Lower Broadway, reduce congestion at the entrance and could reduce the traffic through Charlestown. The City of Boston's traffic consultant for this project should be involved in that analysis. It is to everyone's interest that vehicle trips are reduced and the traffic moves well.

4) That the mitigation includes a far more robust program to serve the site by sustainable alternative transportation modes. The Wynn team indicated that Wynn runs a first class resort/casino. Today a first class resort/casino in a city location requires a first class transportation plan that includes an emphasis on alternative transportation modes. Working with the State and Cities of Boston and Everett, the Proponent can develop a far more imaginative plan. Elements of that plan should include a) goals that the Wynn Company agrees to achieve, b) a Transportation Management Association that has representation not only from Wynn and Everett but from Boston, the other affected communities and the State c) a pricing policy for the patron garage and the employee garages that encourages public transportation, discourages single-occupancy vehicles and encourages carpooling and d) a commitment to bus and subway service and efficiency improvements by the State. There should also be annual monitoring and an annual public report for a 10-year period with the option for extension.

5) That the mitigation includes that Wynn and the State agree to fund the RA/SS design and construction. It also should include that the design and subsequent construction start as soon as possible so that the roadway(s) will be in place close to the opening date of the Wynn Casino. It is unacceptable to have the new Wynn Casino built with the existing roadway configuration in Charlestown.

I hope someday to be able to walk safely with my grandchildren to Sullivan Square, ride the orange line train easily downtown and back, have lunch at Sullivan Square and watch my grandsons play along the Mystic River. Your thoughtful review of this project will protect our citizens and the environment and help make our dreams happen. Thank you!

I have enclosed on page 4 as Attachment A additional detailed comments.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth K. Levin Elizabeth Levin Cc:

Mayor Marty Walsh, City of Boston Mayor Carlo DeMario, City of Everett City Councilor Ayanna Pressley City Councilor Sal LaMattina Secretary of Transportation Richard Davey Beverly Scott, CEO/General Manager MBTA Commissioner Kenneth Kimball, MA DEP Anne Cannady, MEPA Marc Draisen, MAPC Elizabeth Dello Russo, City of Boston Anthony Gallager, City of Boston Vineet Gupta, City of Boston Allison Felix, MAPC John Ziemba, Gambling Commission Keri Pyke, HSH Chris Gordon, Dirigo Group Jamie Fay, Fort Point Associates Rick Bryant, Stantec

ATTACHMENT A -ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMENTS--EEA# 15060 WYNN CASINO

- 1) Review the methodology and results for the traffic counts. Please address specifically:
- Traffic counts were taken in May, June, July, and August 2013. Intuitively one might think that the June, July and August months would not be high traffic periods when school is out and people are on vacation. Yet the report indicates that there is more traffic during these months than average and thus the traffic count data was conservatively high and was not adjusted. What is the basis for the decision and in Charlestown and surrounding areas do actual past traffic counts confirm that counts are high during these months.
- Did the consultant actually use the 2013 traffic counts in Charlestown for any analysis purposes or did the consultant's existing conditions analysis use the 2008 traffic volumes used in the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Ave. study? If the consultant used the 2008 traffic volumes were they adjusted to 2013 for the existing conditions analysis?
- The report implies that the 2008 counts were more accurate than the 2013 counts because of construction and repairs on Alford Street and Rutherford Ave. Please compare for us the 2013 traffic counts taken with the 2008 traffic counts, as well as to the 2008 traffic counts adjusted to 2013 based on your background growth factor. For example, 2013 traffic volumes on Rutherford Ave. south of Sullivan Square are estimated at 54,200. How does that compare to the 2008 Rutherford Ave. counts for the same area? If there is a significant difference in volumes is it reasonable that those differences are explained by construction activity in the vicinity and detours of traffic through Charlestown from bridge construction on the Charles River. If not, should the existing conditions numbers and no build be adjusted?
- Were any of the traffic counts done when there was a big event at the Garden? If not, it would be useful to see what the impact on Charlestown would be during that condition?

2) No Build

- The No Build analysis is based on the volumes in the City's Sullivan Square/Rutherford Ave Study. The analysis year for that study was 2030. Did the consultant adjust the 2030 volumes provided by BTD to the 2023 analysis year to be consistent with the other analyses?
- 3) Trip Generation
 - Our research indicates the two casinos used to derive trip generation rates are not similar to the one proposed in this location and that the facts gathered on these

casinos may not be accurate. Also, the case was not strong to eliminate the Sugarhouse Casino. Please address.

4) Build Analyses

- Clearly explain the distribution and volume of traffic through Charlestown on Fridays and Saturday at peak hour and throughout the day and what that experience will be like as we in Charlestown do our daily activities.
- Clearly explain the intersections with LOS E or F and what improvements are proposed to achieve acceptable service. Include the intersection at Land Boulevard in Cambridge, which is a huge problem for Charlestown residents.
- If the back-up on the I-93 Northbound ramp can be fixed with better signalization why hasn't that already happened?

5) Mitigation

- Are there more dramatic ways that traffic from the project can be mitigated? For example, the project currently has all traffic entering and exiting on Lower Broadway. Could there be a secondary road across the rail tracks that would distribute more traffic in that location. Should there be a charge for parking and should a large amount of that that charge go to supporting a robust Transportation Management Area with participation from Everett and the surrounding communities. Should there be a major commitment to advancing a "culture" at this project that encourages "patrons" to actually use public transportation.
- It looks as if there could be a commuter rail stop/station in the site vicinity. If so, is there consideration of far more frequent service using the type of trains that will be used on the Fairmont line.

5) Report Summary

• The DEIR report is really large. In the transportation section, the Charlestown information is in different parts of the report and appendix. It would really be helpful if there were a "layman's summary" of the critical facts and findings. It would certainly enhance understanding of the project and help the community focus on the big picture--not wading through realms of material.

From:	MGC Website <website@massgaming.com></website@massgaming.com>
Sent:	Monday, February 10, 2014 9:26 AM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Contact the Commissioner Form Submission

Name

Lynne Levesque

Email

lynnelevesque@gmail.com

Phone

(617)242-7801

Subject

Wynn Casino Proposal Impacts on Charlestown

Questions or Comments

February 10, 2014 20 Lawrence Street #3 Charlestown, MA 02129

Richard K. Sullivan, Secretary, OEEA Attn: MEPA Office/MEPA Reviewers 100 Cambridge Street Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

And:

Stephen Crosby, Chair Gayle Cameron, Commissioner James McHugh, Commissioner Bruce Stebbins, Commissioner Enrique Zuniga, Commissioner Rick Day, Executive Director John Ziemba, Ombudsman

Massachusetts Gaming Commission 84 State Street, 10th Floor Boston MA 02109

Re: EOEEA #15060 Wynn Casino DEIR February 11, 2014

Dear Sirs and Madams:

I have resided in Charlestown since 1998 and live two blocks from Rutherford Avenue, an avenue that Wynn representatives have promised will see greatly increased traffic and air pollution should their proposal go forward. I write therefore in support of the letter and comments from the Rutherford Avenue/Sullivan Square Advocacy Group dated February 11, 2014. I also wish to add my own personal concerns.

I must say, I was taken aback and most surprised at the presentation made by Wynn representatives to the Charlestown community and city of Boston officials on February 4, 2014. They came without long-requested information about their strategies for dealing with air and water pollution, traffic impacts, pedestrian and bicycle access and safety, rapid transit service, waste water management, and construction management. They came without credible information about impacts on property values in communities surrounding casino developments. And they came without outlining any benefits of their proposal for the Charlestown community



CHARLESTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

PO Box 397 Charlestown, MA

February 10, 2014

Richard K. Sullivan, Secretary, OEEA Attn: MEPA Office/MEPA Reviewers 100 Cambridge Street Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114 [via email to: anne.canaday@state.ma.us]

And:
Stephen Crosby, Chair
Gayle Cameron, James McHugh, Bruce Stebbins, and Enrique Zuniga, Commissioners
Rick Day, Executive Director
John Ziemba, Ombudsman
Massachusetts Gaming Commission
84 State Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA 02109
[via email to: mgccomments@state.ma.us]

Re: EOEEA #15060 Wynn Casino DEIR

Dear Mr. Sullivan et al.;

The Charlestown Neighborhood Council was formed in 1987 to facilitate effective communication between Charlestown and the government of the City of Boston, its departments and agencies. According to our Bylaws, we provide structured participation in city government decisions affecting land use, development, service delivery, and other issues relating to the quality of life in Charlestown.

We are responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Review (DEIR) presented by Wynn Resorts to build a casino/resort in Everett directly abutting our community. This is a major concern to us especially since the DEIR does not address any of our worries about the future quality of life in Charlestown. As the city representatives cited at the February 4th meeting, there is no adequate roadway or public transit system to support this project, and residents and businesses of Charlestown would be heavily impacted by the exhaust fumes associated with increased and delayed traffic. In addition, our public safety would be compromised by roadway blockage. We are already concerned about responses by police cars, ambulances and fire trucks due to traffic blockages.

Pollution concerns have been a high priority in this community for years and we do not agree with the claim that although a significant portion of traffic will go through Sullivan Square that the impacts of the casino project will be 'minimal'. With 50% and more of the vehicular access to the planned casino traveling through Charlestown – at least 14,500 out of 29,000 new vehicle trips per day with >1,000 cars per hours during peak times through Sullivan Square - the success

of this project would be our bane. We will sustain an increase of 13% in pollutants with a substantial impact on the whole of our town. Over the years, we have worked with the City and State to mitigate the affects of traffic and pollution and have spent considerable time participating in developing plans to amend the snarled traffic and wasted land at Sullivan Square. Our work toward the future connection to and expansion of the north end of our neighborhood would be severely affected by the development proposed by Wynn Resorts.

Your proposed mitigation is that money coming from the success of your project would go to the state and that the state would need to develop plans and provide the solution to problems that your project causes. This is not an acceptable response to our thoughtful and very real concerns. It is simply a band aid that the developers are being allowed to use to respond to how mitigation issues will be handled. Further, it places the responsibility for the fixes onto the state when in reality, it should be borne by the developer before any construction is allowed to commence.

This is a huge undertaking that will have significant ramifications. We urge that considerably more dialogue is required between all the stakeholders to enable all parties to make informed decisions for this project.

Sincerel Thomas Cunha

Chair, Charlestown Neighborhood Council

cc:

Martin Walsh, Mayor City of Boston Salvatore LaMattina, City Councillor D1 Sal N. DiDomenico, Senator State of Massachusetts Middlesex and Suffolk Bill Linehan, President City Council Michael Flaherty, City Councillor At-Large Stephen J. Murphy, City Councillor At-Large Ayanna Pressley, City Councillor At-Large Michelle Wu, City Councillor At-Large Editor, Charlestown Patriot-Bridge

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Amanda Reinfeld <amanda.reinfeld@gmail.com> Thursday, March 20, 2014 9:14 PM MGCcomments (MGC) amanda.reinfeld@gmail.com Request to address the Commission on Wednesday, March 26th

By: Email at mgccomments@state.ma.us

To the Members of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission:

Thank you for providing the opportunity for Charlestown residents to speak at the March 26th public meeting concerning the Wynn Everett proposal. I am

an At-Large Member of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council. The

Charlestown Neighborhood Council is an elected body of Charlestown residents that works with the City of Boston on issues impacting the community including the areas of real estate development, basic services and public health and safety. I am also a mother of three young children who has made a commitment to raise my family in Charlestown while encouraging others to do the same. More and more families have chosen to stay in the city and I fear the negative impacts of the Everett casino will reverse this trend and

more profoundly affect the health and safety of Charlestown youth.

The Everett casino, as proposed, will negatively impact the quality of life for Charlestown residents, especially for the over 1,200 families with young children. It provides inadequate traffic mitigation, especially with regards to the already congested Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue, and underestimates health impacts on the Charlestown community.

It would be short sighted for the Gaming Commission to issue a license to Wynn at this time, because the Everett proposal does not adequately address the increase in traffic volumes through Sullivan Square that will result from the project. The community's vision of Sullivan Square, completed this past December, as a pedestrian friendly, mixed-use, walkable neighborhood with a new street grid will be nearly impossible to achieve given the new traffic volumes. Wynn representatives have stated that over 60% of their traffic will come through Sullivan Square. They have also said that their project will fail if their customers get stuck in traffic. Still, Wynn has yet to propose an acceptable assurance plan. With gridlock at Sullivan Square and along Rutherford Avenue, traffic will move onto the neighborhood streets which will become far less safe for my children and all the children of the community.

If the Everett casino is built as proposed, the construction of the facility and the resulting increased traffic will cause headaches for residents, but the far greater concern will be the increase in air pollution. The trucking of soil laced with arsenic, lead and hydrocarbons through our community during construction and then the additional 1,000 cars per hour idling in Sullivan Square on their way to the new casino will contribute to more than a 13% increase in air pollutants such as green house gasses and

particulates. Public health studies have shown that traffic-related air

pollution is linked to asthma in urban children. Also, affects of lead and arsenic in children relating to cognitive impairment and circulatory/nervous

system disorders respectively are well documented.

Until such time that Wynn recognizes the above impacts on Charlestown and counters with appropriate mitigation, I cannot support the Everett casino.

However, I look forward to hearing Wynn's solutions to the points presented above, so that we can all benefit from a world class resort within our community.

Amanda Reinfeld Charlestown Mother and Charlestown Neighborhood Councilor-At-Large

From: Sent: To: Subject: Raffi Berberian <raffib@comcast.net> Monday, March 17, 2014 7:12 PM MGCcomments (MGC) Letter to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission

March 17, 2014

By: Email at <u>mgccomments@state.ma.us</u>

To the Members of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission:

I am and have been a resident of Charlestown, Massachusetts, living at 59 Monument Avenue for the last 35 years. I appreciate the opportunity to be present at March 26, 2014 hearing, and I hope to be at the Boston Convention Center on that occasion. This communication is my first to the MGC.

In its eagerness to enact gambling legislation, the Massachusetts Legislature granted host communities a significant financial incentive in negotiating with proposed operators to allow gambling casinos within their municipal jurisdictions. The legislators were derelict, however, by not providing adequate safeguards and incentives to adjacent districts surrounding host communities. In the case of the proposal for Everett, the overriding negative traffic impact will be suffered by my neighborhood, Charlestown, and, over many past months at meetings with the proposed Everett operator, all requests by our community to receive serious assurances of adequate mitigation have received nebulous and inadequate responses from Wynn MA LLC.

In this regard, I see it to be the responsibility of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, in considering its evaluation, to act to assuage the Legislature's failure to safeguard citizens of neighboring communities by making the Commission's selection a Greater Boston locale where legal gambling activities have been in operation for many years and where adequate highway and mass transit operations already are in place.

In the event the Massachusetts Gaming Commission designates the Everett site and the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court rules that a statewide referendum will be held seeking to repeal the expanded gaming legislation, I shall do everything in my power to see that that proposition passes.

Sincerely,

Raffi R. Berberian

59 Monument Avenue

Charlestown, MA 02129-3323

raffib@comcast.net

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kristen Daley <daley.k@gmail.com> Monday, March 17, 2014 9:36 PM MGCcomments (MGC) Charlestown

I am writing to express my concerns over the Winn Casino proposed for Everett in light of the negative impact the Casino would have on Charlestown. I am a mother of two and I intended on raising our family in Charlestown, but a Casino down the street would seriously deter us from remaining here. In addition to the potential decline in property value, the health impacts it would have on our family is a large concern. The environmental study done on the project indicates that the dust leftover from trucks carrying dirt laced with arsenic, lead and petroleum hydrocarbons from years of sulfur manufacturing on what was once a Monsanto chemical site would likely blow from west to east toward Boston. There is no obligation on that the Winn construction would have to take preventative measures such as washing every vehicle that left the site. In addition, there would be a 13 percent increase in air pollutants from traffic through the area. My family and I garden at the public gardens near Sullivan square in Charlestown, I certainly will not be serving my children tomatoes grown in soil polluted by arsenic. The only industry that will stand to make a gain economically will be the Casino. A recent study examined that

riverboat gambling and its effects-local-businesses for business owners in Clinton, Iowa, and found that while 12 percent reported an increase in business, **29 percent reported a decrease**, and 60 percent reported no change at all (read this very interesting article: <u>http://www.casinofreephilly.org/casino-facts/gamblings</u>)

Having a casino in Everett promotes traffic, pollution, and an environment that is not welcoming to families. I would strongly urge that Winn not be given the vote to go forward with construction.

Thank you Kristen Daley

0

From: Sent: To: Subject: bhflorist <bhflorist@verizon.net> Monday, March 17, 2014 4:17 PM MGCcomments (MGC) Opposed to Wynn casino in Everett

I am opposed to the proposed casino in Everett. Joseph G Shadroui 29 Parker Street Charlestown, MA 02129

From:	Susan Wynn <shwynn62@gmail.com></shwynn62@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, March 18, 2014 7:30 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Charlestown

I have lived in Charlestown for the last 25 years, raised two children and I have seen a lot of change. Most of the change has been for the better, but this proposal is not in any way shape or form for the betterment of Charlestown.

Here are some of the facts/truths that will result if this is passed -

- Massive traffic issues we have trouble dealing with the repairs being done on the Route 99 Bridge imagine what it will be like if a casino goes in.
- Property values will plummet. Charlestown is one of the most sought after places to live in the City of Boston.
- The growing trend of families choosing to raise their children in Charlestown will move elsewhere. Families have worked very hard to improve the schools and the community so they can stay in the city and enjoy all it has to offer.

The list goes on and on. There are health reasons, sound issues, crime could possibly increase. The Casino is not a good fit, please stop or go elsewhere.

Sincerely Susan Wynn ---Please note and change my new email address shwynn62@gmail.com

From:	sir.tom.of.flake@verizon.net
Sent:	Sunday, March 16, 2014 12:50 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	The Everett "Wynn" Casino

I'm opposed to the casino in Everett Mass. I am a long time resident of Charlestown Mass. and truly very discouraged and alarmed that a casino may be on top of our family neighborhood. Charlestown, a very historic part of Boston does not need the disruption 24-7 of the traffic that a casino would indeed inflect on our neighborhood streets. More importantly I'm very concerned about all the toxic waste in the land area that the casino is to built be addressed before this project site is considered.

Boston known around the world, was founded as a beacon of forward thinking, houses many well known collages, hospitals and individuals who's efforts foster caring and improving life to be constructive and meaningful

I do hope the Gaming Commission rethinks and considers projects that embrace serious educational and life saving matters, not projects that encourage people to throw money out the window.

Thank you for reading this Thomas N. Cobb 5 mystic Street Charlestown, Mass. 02129

617-242-4359

From:	carol_brennan@comcast.net
Sent:	Sunday, March 16, 2014 2:32 PM
То:	mgccomments@state.ma.us
Subject:	Charlestown - Wynn/Everett proposal

Dear Gaming Commission:

I live and work in Charlestown and have been a homeowner/taxpayer for over 20 years. The reason I purchased my home was because of Charlestown's proximity to downtown Boston with lots of access to public transportation with its historic significance and beauty! I am delighted to live in a city of history and culture and am horrified that the state is considering allowing Wynn Casino to set up a casino in Everett. It will result in traffic congestion and the spill over of those attracted to gambling, drugs, violence, prostitution, etc. I remember Atlantic City as a child walking the board walk with my parents... Look what has happened to the surrounding areas around Atlantic City! We do not need this in Charlestown!

Since my Harvard affiliated hospital moved our offices to the Schraff's building last Fall, I see firsthand EVERY DAY the terrible congestion around Sullivan Square. It is already a traffic nightmare and the thought of adding to this with no benefit to Charlestown is unacceptable. I am also curious why a public input meeting would be held during the week and during working hours? I assume this is because you really do not want the Charlestown community to attend?

The taxpayers of Charlestown should be able to vote on this issue. It appears that you are being very short sighted concerning something that will affect our quality of life. I am very opposed to the building of the Wynn Casino in Everett and believe it would be a huge injustice to our community.

Would you please acknowledge receipt of my communication?

Thank you.

Carol

M. Carol Brennan 67 Monument Avenue Charlestown, MA 02129 617-241-0530

From:	Bette Task <bette_task@yahoo.com></bette_task@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, March 17, 2014 7:59 AM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Cc:	sir.tom.of.flake@verizon.net
Subject:	Casino

I vehemently oppose a casino in Everett, MA. I went to the meeting where the Winn people gave statements on the traffic impact that the casino would have on Sullivan Square. Those numbers mean absolutely nothing. You MUST factor in the impact that Assembly Row is going to have on Sullivan Square. Phase One has 400 apartments, 4 new restaurants, a megaplex cinema, a Legoland Discovery store and a couple dozen outlet stores! That's just Phase One!! Add a casino to this mix and you have a very bad situation. NO CASINO!! Bette Task 28 Chestnut Street Charlestown, MA 02129

From:basSent:MoTo:MoCc:Ive

basia wilson <basiawilson@yahoo.com> Monday, March 17, 2014 10:06 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Ivey John

Regarding the Wynn proposal for a casino in Everett, the current traffic situation at Sullivan Square is a nightmare and it would be ludicrous to add more traffic to the current flow which is currently more than the traffic circle there can accomodate. With the current proposed re-structuring of the circle into a square with 4 lights (Ruthererford/Sullivan Redevelopment Plan) a vast majority of the back-up would be pushed onto small, quiet Charlestown streets, to an even greater extent than it is now, which would adversely affect the quality of life in Charlestown.

Jean Basia Wilson 11 Sullivan St. # 2 Charlestown, MA 02129-3012 (978) 853-7763

From: Sent: To: Subject: larrybowling@comcast.net Monday, March 17, 2014 10:09 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Opposed to casino

I am opposed the Everett casino. My name is Larry Bowling 29 Parker st. Charlestown Ma. 02129

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Christine Kerans <christinekerans@yahoo.com> Monday, March 17, 2014 10:10 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Opose Everett, MA Casino N

I would like to express that I am opposed to the Everett, MA casino. Don't do it!!

Christine Kerans Bunker Hill Florist 1 Thompson Sq. Charlestown, MA 02129

From:Russ Bolt <russbolt@comcast.net>Sent:Saturday, March 15, 2014 2:24 PMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Subject:Wynn/Everett Casino Proposal

Dear Commission Members:

As a resident of Charlestown I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed casino development in Everett.

While I understand an individual community should have the right to make economic and quality of life decisions for itself, I believe the commission has a responsibility to the larger community. It is clear the casino in Everett would put stress on surrounding communities especially in terns of auto traffic. Such traffic would hinder other commerce and visitors who wish to move about in the these other communities. The current proposal has not adequately addressed these issues.

I urge the Gaming Commission to require more detailed analysis of the casino's impact on communities such as Charlestown and more comprehensive proposals to address them.

Sincerely,

Russ Bolt Charlestown, MA

From: Sent: To: Subject: nancy zaleta <zaleta.nancy@gmail.com> Friday, March 14, 2014 8:07 AM MGCcomments (MGC) Casino

I live in Charlestown and I am opposed to the casino as the traffic will be horrendous as Sullivan Sq and 99 are already overloaded with traffic having to go through

1

Sullivan to get on 93. nancy Zaleta

Sent from my iPad

From:MGC Website <website@massgaming.com>Sent:Tuesday, January 28, 2014 1:09 PMTo:MGCcomments (MGC)Subject:Contact the Commissioner Form Submission

Name

frank nocera

Email

can034@aol.com

Phone

(781)284-5979

Subject

Casinos

Questions or Comments

Looked at both presentations ,Winn casino would be just for rich .also revere casino would have more to offer for surrounding businesses . Winn is known to build and sell. Please save our beach ,racetrack and jobs.

From:	MGC Website <website@massgaming.com></website@massgaming.com>
Sent:	Friday, January 31, 2014 2:07 PM
То:	MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject:	Contact the Commissioner Form Submission

Name

Randy tobey

Email

nvtobey@gmail.com

Phone

(775)815-3554

Subject

Steve Wynn, Gaming Tax Rate

Questions or Comments

Gaming taxes helps pay for governmental services. The Wampanoags pay 17% to the State and Wynn pays 25% to the State. What Wynn and others may not understand is that most of the gaming profits the Wampanoags may receive will be used for Tribal governmental services.