

**Bresilla, Colette (MGC)**

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**From:** Kathy <devaney4076@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 2:12 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Everett Casino

To Whom It May Concern;

I wish to express my strong opposition to the proposed Everett casino.

As a Charlestown resident I feel it will negatively impact the poorest of our community and increase addictions of all kinds.

Much wealth will go into the hands of a few already wealthy individuals, created on the backs of minimum wage workers.

The casino initiative is unwelcome to many in our state as evidenced by the number of communities that have rejected the casino owner's overtures.

I would support a referendum on the entire issue of casinos or at least the allowing of neighboring communities to weigh in on where the casinos are located.

I urge you to reject the plan for a casino in Everett.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Devaney

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Charlestown, MA

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**From:** Margaret Warner <maggiedwarner@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 6:42 AM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Gambling

I am concerned about casino providing free drinks to gamblers who will then drive on the roads. I am concerned that those without enough means will lose all of their money.

Margaret Warner  
Boston MA  
Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Corinne Biggs <corinnebiggs@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2014 4:03 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Wynn Casino Proposal

As a resident of Charlestown, I am writing to strongly state my opposition to the proposed Wynn Casino on the border of Charlestown. Several decades ago Charlestown was slated to follow Boston's West End for demolition in the name of urban renewal. At that time numerous residents protested strongly to save our neighborhood. Since that time, Charlestown has become one of the most desirable areas in Boston to live. We have become an area where life long residents work together with new members of the community, where young families live to raise their Children, where multiple bids on real estate for sale is the norm.

I and other residents of Charlestown are protesting once more to "save our neighborhood". It is impossible for the Wynn Casino to be built as planned without a long-lasting negative affect on the neighborhood of Charlestown. Wynn Casinos belong in Las Vegas--not in a small, congested area such as Charlestown. Please DO NOT vote in favor off the Wynn Casino.

Corinne Biggs  
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**From:** Denisse <deni83@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2014 4:01 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Wynn casino (Charlestown)

Gaming commission,

My name is Denisse Dalle, I am a Charlestown resident for almost 5 years now. I am a mom to 2 kids who I plan to raise in Charlestown as well.

I have been very concerned about the possibility of Wynn casino opening up in the Everett/Charlestown border. I am against this possibility for the following reasons that I hope you will take into consideration when you make your decision.

- 1) Charlestown will be the most impacted in terms of traffic. Sullivan square is a nightmare as it is right now and even with the proposed renovations, the amount of added traffic will do little to solve the problem.
- 2) Opening up a casino so close to Boston will also impact the traffic going in and out of the city and I believe this will hurt everyone in the end.
- 3) I wouldn't want to raise my kids next door to a casino. There are a lot of parents that want to stay in Boston to raise their kids but will be pushed out due to this casino.
- 4) there is absolutely no benefit to Boston or Charlestown. Everett voted yes because they don't get any traffic, the casino will be practically in Charlestown and yet they will Benefit financially from the casino. Why would they oppose to such an ideal scenario.

I do hope you take my concerns as well as the concern of other Charlestown residents into consideration when making your decision.

Thank you,  
Denisse Dalle

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**From:** James Matsoukas <jmatsoukas@PierceAtwood.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 21, 2014 11:57 AM  
**To:** 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 known for. Relying on an economic development model that has not proven itself to be consistently effective, 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  
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Charlestown, MA 02129

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**From:** Luptoncopy@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 1:50 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Cc:** Luptoncopy@aol.com  
**Subject:** Opposition to proposed Wynn MA LLC/Everett casino

March 25, 2014

To: Massachusetts Gaming Commission  
Re: Opposition to Proposed Wynn MA LLC/Everett Casino

As a longtime Boston and current Charlestown resident, I'm writing to express my strong opposition to the Wynn MA LLC casino proposed immediately next to the Charlestown/Everett town line.

I'm alarmed at the potential negative impact of this ill-considered project on the quality of life of our historic neighborhood. The siting makes Charlestown the primary motor vehicle conduit for the casino. The result will be gridlock on the already-overtaxed Rutherford Avenue corridor and on Charlestown's quiet, largely residential streets.

Simply put, the streets will be unable to handle the traffic, and as a result neither the casino owners nor the residents of Charlestown will be happy.

After years of economic and political neglect, Charlestown has come into its own as a vibrant, socially and economically diverse neighborhood of old and young, new and long-established residents. We have a small, healthy downtown, fast-improving schools, and a small-town feel that's unique in Boston. We live in a friendly urban village, and we love living here.

The casino will be the elephant in our living room.

Please consider the negative impact of this project on our small neighborhood. It will be incalculable and irreversible.

Claire Lupton  
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**From:** Sarah <sboardman@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 1:25 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Gambling Casino in Everett

Dear Sirs,

A gambling casino is totally inappropriate for Everett or any location in the vicinity of Boston. A casino is an urban blotch that penalizes thousands and thousands of commuters and people who live nearby. Casinos do not exist for the benefit of a municipality. The house always wins, to quote an old saw. A gambling resort detracts from the basic needs of a community, contributing nothing stable. Their architecture is ugly; lighting excessive; traffic obstructive; drain on community services; wasteful of land that could be put to constructive use, and more. Why is it that nearby neighborhoods, such as Charlestown, would be expected to accept a major development over which it has no control and which jeopardizes its quality and livability? Please do not allow a casino in Everett or anywhere that imposes on the citizens of Boston.

Thank you,

Sarah Boardman  
88 Bartlett Street  
Charlestown, Massachusetts

## **Bresilla, Colette (MGC)**

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**From:** Christiane R Wolff <crawolff@cs.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 12:54 PM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** everettt casino

i live in charlestown and am vehemently against the casino in everett. i can agree to revere, but not everett, as revere has the land of the old suffolk downs as well as parking and it is not a toxic site.

we will be landlocked/ prisoners here in charlestown with all the traffic, never mind the pollution. can't even get over the bridge now to cambridge and storrow drive--taking 10 minutes during rush hour with all the cars coming from I93 /95.

the worst will be the toxic dust kicked up from the toxic monsanto site-a health hazard of great magnitude.

also, the property values will be lowered--take a look at the surroundings of atlantic city!!!!!!!!!!

thank you .

christiane wolff  
ret USN, USCG, USArmyNG  
Petty Officer in the medical corps

thank you.

[crawolff@cs.com](mailto:crawolff@cs.com)



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**From:** MGC Website <website@massgaming.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2014 11:23 AM  
**To:** MGCcomments (MGC)  
**Subject:** Contact the Commissioner Form Submission

### Name

Patricia Kelley

### Email

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### Phone

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### Subject

I am Against Everett Casino

### Questions or Comments

I would like the commission to know I am against the proposed Wynn Casino in Everett. As a homeowner in Charlestown I feel the Casino will heavily impact traffic in my town, devalue my home, and enable people who would not otherwise have means to get to a destination Gambling resort an easier, more convenient way to lose money while attracting more drug traffic, and pawn shops and sexual solicitation frequently associated with other gambling resort areas. I think the long term impact outweighs short term construction jobs and minimum wage casino jobs. I think The gaming commissioners should consider how they themselves would vote if a casino were being built within two miles of their own homes and respect those of us who would rather not live near a casino. Thank you for your consideration of my concerns.

Sincerely,  
Patricia R. Kelley