



MGC Newsletter

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We create and maintain a fair, transparent, and participatory process for implementing the expanded gaming law.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



MGM Springfield to hold final pre-opening hiring event on Sunday, June 24

The following information has been provided by MGM Springfield:

MGM Springfield will open its final pre-opening hiring event to the general public on Sunday, June 24. No reservations are necessary to attend the event, where hundreds of job interviews and subsequent job offers will be made on the spot.

After several years of career fairs, hiring events and one-on-one interviews for thousands

of job applicants, MGM has made more than 2,000 job offers already and is nearing its full contingent of 3,000 employees to operate and maintain the entertainment resort.

The exciting final hiring event will be held at the **MassMutual Center, 1277 Main St., Springfield, MA from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 24.** It will be the last large-scale hiring event for MGM Springfield prior to the grand opening on Aug. 24.

Attendees are encouraged to bring resumes and photo identification. Although registering for the event is not required, job seekers are encouraged to apply online for positions they are interested in at www.mgmspringfield.com/careers before attending the event.

MGC approves MGM Springfield beverage license application; Commission requires several license conditions

On June 21, 2018, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission voted 4-to-1 to approve MGM Springfield's gaming beverage license application, including two-hours of extended alcohol service on the gaming floor for engaged gamblers.

MGM Springfield recently submitted a beverage license application to the MGC. The application includes a request for 22 licensed areas throughout the property. Generally, the application seeks alcohol service at each of these areas between the hours of 8 a.m. – 2 a.m. According to the license application, all front-facing bars will close at 2 a.m. Also, MGM Springfield requested extended alcohol service between 2 a.m. – 4 a.m. specifically on the casino floor and only to patrons actively engaged in gambling. A recent legislative amendment provided the MGC with authority to consider a two-hour extension of alcohol service (between 2 a.m. – 4 a.m.) at licensed gaming facilities only on the gaming floor so long as the patron is actively gaming and to require the necessary restrictions and limitations.

During the public meeting, the commissioners stressed the need for strict adherence to safety and security procedures throughout the MGM property. The Commission also required several license conditions:

1. The beverage license will be reviewed and rigorously analyzed by both MGM Springfield and MGC staff 90 days after opening.
2. The Commission granted MGC Executive Director Ed Bedrosian with direct authority to intervene on any issues and, if necessary, the ability to suspend or further condition the license.
3. Executive Director Bedrosian and MGC staff will conduct a final review of the site and plan immediately before opening.

[VIEW PUBLIC COMMENTS IN THE MEETING ARCHIVE](#)

MGC to hold Open Meeting in Plainville on June 26, including update on research on social and economic impacts of Plainridge Park Casino on Plainville and surrounding communities



As part of the open meeting, Chairman Crosby will present research findings based on a five-year study of the economic and social impacts of Plainridge Park in Plainville, Attleborough, Foxborough, Mansfield, North Attleborough, and Wrentham. This study, funded and overseen by the MGC, is part of a larger legislatively mandated research agenda to study the effects of expanded gaming in Massachusetts. In 2013, the Commission engaged a team at the University of Massachusetts Amherst to conduct a comprehensive, multi-year study of the Social and Economic Impacts of Gambling in Massachusetts (SEIGMA) to understand the impacts of expanded gaming in the state. The study established baselines for all social and economic variables that may be affected by expanded gaming. The research team continues to collect, analyze and report each year so that lawmakers, regulators and business leaders will be able to use the SEIGMA findings to help develop state policies for the casino gambling industry.

[VIEW THE MEETING AGENDA](#)

From MassLive: "On MGM Springfield's casino floor, these people will be watching"

MGC's Gaming Agents are undergoing a rigorous, 7-week training course ahead of the opening of MGM Springfield. MassLive sat in on a day of this training.



[READ THE ARTICLE ON MASSLIVE.COM](#)

"Build A Life That Works" expands to transit

Tradeswoman recruitment initiative expands outreach with transit advertising

The Northeast Center for Tradeswomen's Equity (NCTE) is excited to announce the strategic expansion of the "[Build A Life That Works](#)" campaign. The campaign's new public service announcements aim to raise awareness about the recruitment program and influence aspiring tradeswomen to pursue a career in the building trades. The newly created advertisements will be on display across Greater Boston on public transportation and at bus rest stops.



Initially launched in November 2017 by NCTE and the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC), "Build A Life That Works" is an award-winning campaign that strives to inspire women to pursue a career in the union building trades as a viable path to equal pay for equal work, excellent benefits, and a better future. This first-of-its-kind, statewide effort strives to increase the number of women in the building trades to 20% by 2020.

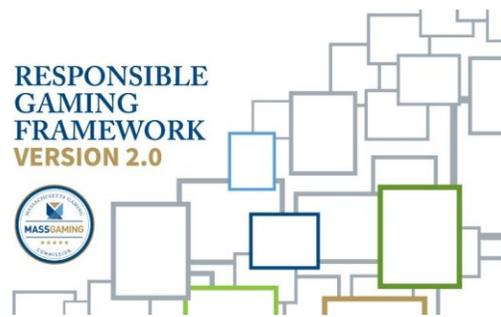
The transit advertisements will include strategic placement on Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority buses and JCDecaux bus shelters. The PSAs will be prominently displayed throughout the Greater Boston area for the next several months. In addition to transit advertising, the "Build A Life That Works" campaign recently concluded a one-month promotion on the local radio station, HOT 96.9 Boston.



READ ABOUT "BUILD A LIFE THAT WORKS"

MGC Adopts Version 2.0 of the Responsible Gaming Framework

MGC has approved and released the second version of the Responsible Gaming Framework. The new revisions incorporate approximately a year's worth of efforts which included literature reviews, key stakeholder input, public comment, international review of jurisdictional approaches, evaluation findings and consideration of experiences of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Version 2.0 of the Framework signifies a natural progression as the original version was intended to retain flexibility in order to respond to emerging trends, technology, and shifting sociocultural factors.



[VIEW THE RESPONSIBLE GAMING FRAMEWORK 2.0](#)

Plainridge Park Casino Revenue Report

The month of May 2018 at Plainridge Park Casino generated \$14,622,781.52 in Gross Gaming Revenue. The category 2 slots-parlor is taxed on 49% of gross gaming revenue, of that total taxed amount 82% is paid to Local Aid and 18% goes to the Race Horse Development Fund. To date, the state has collected \$234,941,575.62 in total state taxes and racehorse assessments from Plainridge Park Casino since its June 24, 2015 opening.



MGC IN THE NEWS

Boston Globe: [MGM Springfield gets the green light to serve alcohol until 4 a.m.](#)

MassLive: [MGM Springfield reveals what lobby and suites will look like](#)

MassLive: [Gov. Charlie Baker says he thinks people 'will be blown away' by MGM Springfield](#)

MassLive: [MGM Springfield reveals Regal Cinemas will run luxury movie theater at its \\$960 million casino](#)

MassLive: ['There's going to be a ton of construction money available after casino opens', West Springfield Mayor Reichelt says of MGM Springfield](#)

Western Mass News: [MGM Springfield holding final hiring event this weekend](#)

Worcester Telegram: [MGM CEO saw casino as help to ravaged Springfield](#)



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