



City Council

Casino Oversight

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Friday, June 15, 2018

12:00 PM

City Hall -- Room 200

I. Call to Order

12:00 PM Meeting called to order on June 15, 2018 at City Hall -- Room 200, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Marcus J Williams	Ward 5 Councilor	Excused	
E. Henry Twiggs	Ward 4 Councilor	Excused	
Kenneth E. Shea	Ward 6 Councilor	Excused	
Adam Gomez	Ward 1 Councilor	Excused	
Kateri B. Walsh	At-Large Councilor	Excused	
Michael A. Fenton	Ward 2 Councilor	Present	
Jesse Lederman		Present	
Melvin A. Edwards	Ward 3 Councilor	Present	
Thomas M. Ashe	At-Large Councilor	Excused	
Justin Hurst	At Large Councilor	Excused	
Timothy Ryan		Excused	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Orlando Ramos	President- Ward 8 Councilor	Excused	

II. Public Portion

The Casino Oversight Committee met and discussed Valet parking. They have spots close the hotel entrance for valet parking and there are spots for taxi's and ride share. The hotel has 250 rooms. Vaping was also discussed at this meeting. The City Councilors discussed along with the City's Health Commissioner, Helen Caulton-Harris to consider regulations that would prohibit vaping in public spaces. The Health Commissioner is going to bring this issue to the city's Public Health Council at its meeting Wednesday.

There is presently not an update for the Discussion of Alcohol. The committee made a recommendation at a prior meeting. The Gaming Commission has the final say on the hours alcohol can be served.

The final item discussed was the Opening Week logistics. Seth Stratton from MGM stated they are having weekly meetings with Police, Traffic, DPW and others to discuss the handling of the Opening of MGM Springfield on August 24th and future weeks after the opening. There is not a time set for the Grand opening on August 24th. There will be a very high volume of people and cars going to the casino. MGM representatives will make sure the public gets any updates as soon as they are planned.

The meeting was closed by Councilor Michael Fenton.

- 1. Discussion of Valet Parking**
- 2. Discussion of Vaping**
- 3. Discussion of Alcohol**
- 4. Implementation Blueprint: a.) Overlay b.) Tourism Director**

III. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM: Opening Week Logistics