



**ARIZONA RACING COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Arizona Racing Commission (Commission) may vote to go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public.

**A. Call to Order of the January 6, 2021 Special Arizona Racing Commission Meeting at 2:00 PM.**

**Commissioners present via Google Meet are:**

**Chuck Coolidge, Vice Chairman  
Holly Hover, Commissioner  
Jana Propheter, Commissioner**

**Also present:**

**Rudy Casillas, Racing Director  
Kelly Wagner, Assistant Attorney General  
Kristian Fasching, Agency Counsel  
Greg Stiles, Racing Program Manager  
Cassie Goodwin, Commission Secretary  
Patrick Irvine, Esq., (Agenda Items B.1, B.2, C.1 and C.2 only)  
Charles Markle, Esq., (Agenda Items B.1, B.2, C.1 and C.2 only)**

**B. Action Items: Review, discussion and possible action on:**

The commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) or (4) in order to discuss with and instruct its attorney on and of these matters.

**Greg Stiles addressed the Commission.**

1. Simulcast Agreements Pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-112(U)
  - A. Arizona Downs
    1. Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Assoc.

**Commissioner Hover moved to approve the Los Alamitos QH Racing Association contract. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

2. Parx Racing

**Commissioner Propheter moved to approve the Parx Racing contract. Commission Coolidge second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

3. Penn National Gaming, Inc. (Charles Town, Mahoning Valley, Penn National Gaming, Retama, Sam Houston, Zia Park)

**Commissioner Propheter moved to approve the Penn National Gaming, Inc. contract. Commission Hover second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

B. Turf Paradise

1. Harrah's Bossier City Investment Co., LLC d/b/a/ Harrah's Louisiana Downs

**Commissioner Propheter moved to approve the Harrah's Bossier City Investment Co. contract. Commission Coolidge second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

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**Commissioner Propheter moved to approve the Penn National Gaming, Inc. contract. Commission Hover second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Hover, Propheter) (Nays: Coolidge)**

2. Simulcast Horse Racing Import Signals Pursuant to IHA Section 3004(a)(3)

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A. Arizona Downs

1. Aqueduct (anticipated dates 01/01/2021 – 03/28/2021)

**Commissioner Hover moved to approve the Aqueduct signal for 01/06/2021 – 03/28/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

2. Charles Town (anticipated dates 01/06/2021 – 12/18/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to approve the Charles Town signal for 01/06/2021 – 12/18/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

3. Louisiana Downs Quarter Horse (anticipated dates 01/23/2021– 04/03/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to conditionally approve the Louisiana Downs signal for 01/23/2021 – 04/03/2021 upon receipt of all required approvals of the IHA. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

4. Mahoning Valley (anticipated dates 01/04/2021 – 12/30/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to conditionally approve the Mahoning Valley signal for 01/06/2021 – 12/30/2021 upon receipt of all required approvals of the IHA. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

5. Parx (anticipated dates 01/04/2021 – 12/19/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to approve the Parx signal for 01/06/2021 – 12/19/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

6. Penn National (anticipated dates 01/08/2021 – 12/17/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to conditionally approve the Penn National signal for 01/08/2021 – 12/17/2021 upon receipt of all required approvals of the IHA. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

7. Sam Houston (anticipated dates 01/08/2021-04/03/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to approve the Sam Houston signal for 01/08/2021 – 12/17/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

8. Los Alamitos QH (anticipated dates 12/26/2020-12/19/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to approve the Los Alamitos QH signal for 01/06/2021 – 12/19/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

9. Turfway Park (anticipated dates 01/01/2021-03/27/2021)

**Commissioner Coolidge moved to approve the Turfway signal for 01/06/2021 – 03/27/2021. Commission Propheter second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

#### B. Turf Paradise

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2. Charles Town (anticipated dates 01/07/2021 – 12/18/2021)

**Commissioner Propheter moved to approve the Charles Town signal for 01/07/2021 – 12/18/2021. Commission Coolidge second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter)**

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### C. Call to the Public

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission should please notify Commission Secretary, Cassie Goodwin, via EMAIL at [cgoodwin@azgaming.gov](mailto:cgoodwin@azgaming.gov) by 9 a.m. December 10, 2020 with your name and the portion of the agenda for which you wish to address the Commission. If any person wishes to address the Commission once the meeting has commenced, those persons may TEXT Commission Secretary, Cassie Goodwin, at 480-276-5005, giving their name and the portion of the agenda for which they wish to address the Commission, and the information will be provided to the chair of the Racing Commission during the meeting. They may also submit a request via the "chat" feature in Google meetings. The Chair will recognize the request and, time permitting, each presentation will be given approximately three (3) minutes to speak. Those requesting to speak should be prepared to use a phone to call into the meeting at 478-845-1127 PIN 882 780 379# or the microphone on their device as soon as the chair recognizes them to speak. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H).

**Leroy Gessmann addressed the Commission.  
Vincent Francia addressed the Commission.**

### D. Announcements

The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting will be at **10:00 AM on Thursday, January 14, 2021** at **1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona** or via **Google Meetings**, and is subject to change based on a quorum. For current information about the Arizona Racing Commission meeting schedule, please visit the Arizona Department of Gaming-Racing Division website (<https://racing.az.gov/racing-commission/commission-calendar-schedule>) or call Cassie Goodwin at 602-771-4263.

### E. Adjournment

**Commissioner Propheter moved to adjourn. Commission Coolidge second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Hover, Propheter) Meeting adjourned at 2:36 PM.**

### F. Materials

A copy of the agenda and background material and Commission packets (excluding materials exempt from public inspection) will be available at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, at the Department of Gaming, located at 1110 W Washington St., Ste. 450, Phoenix, AZ 85007