

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

Actions taken by Commission denoted in Red text

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 Commissioner Goreé not in attendance. All other Commissioners in attendance and Commissioner Coolidge acts as chair for the special meeting.

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.

1. Simulcast Agreements Pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-112(U)
 - A. Arizona Downs
 1. Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Assoc. **Approved (3-0)**
 2. Parx Racing **Approved (3-0)**
 3. Penn National Gaming, Inc. (Charles Town, Mahoning Valley, Penn National Gaming, Retama, Sam Houston, Zia Park) **Approved (2-1) – Commissioner Coolidge voting no**
 - B. Turf Paradise
 1. Harrah’s Bossier City Investment Co., LLC d/b/a/ Harrah’s Louisiana Downs **Approved (3-0)**
 2. Parx Racing **Approved (3-0)**
 3. Penn National Gaming, Inc. (Charles Town, Mahoning Valley, Penn National Gaming, Retama, Sam Houston, Zia Park) **Approved (2-1) – Commissioner Coolidge voting no**
2. Simulcast Horse Racing Import Signals Pursuant to IHA Section 3004(a)(3)
 - A. Arizona Downs
 - B.
 1. Aqueduct (anticipated dates 01/01/2021 – 03/28/2021) **Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval**
 2. Charles Town (anticipated dates 01/06/2021 – 12/18/2021) **Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval**
 3. Louisiana Downs Quarter Horse (anticipated dates 01/23/2021– 04/03/2021) **Conditionally approved (3-0) if the Division/Commission receives approvals from all necessary out-of-state regulatory bodies**
 4. Mahoning Valley (anticipated dates 01/04/2021 – 12/30/2021) **Conditionally approved (3-0) if the Division/Commission receives approvals from all necessary out-of-state regulatory bodies**
 5. Parx (anticipated dates 01/04/2021 – 12/19/2021) **Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally**

- approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval
6. Penn National (anticipated dates 01/08/2021 – 12/17/2021) Conditionally approved (3-0) if the Division/Commission receives approvals from all necessary out-of-state regulatory bodies
 7. Sam Houston (anticipated dates 01/08/2021-04/03/2021) Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval
 8. Los Alamitos QH (anticipated dates 12/26/2020-12/19/2021) Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval
 9. Turfway Park (anticipated dates 01/01/2021-03/27/2021) Approved (3-0) through Feb. 15, Conditionally approved through end of meet based on AZHBPA approval

C. Turf Paradise

1. Aqueduct (anticipated dates 01/01/2021 – 03/28/2021) Approved (3-0)
2. Charles Town (anticipated dates 01/07/2021 – 12/18/2021) Approved (3-0)
3. Louisiana Downs Quarter Horse (anticipated dates 01/23/2021 – 04/07/2021) Conditionally approved (3-0) if the Division/Commission receives approvals from all necessary out-of-state regulatory bodies
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C. Call to the Public

HBPA President Leroy Gessman expressed concern with the number of horses on the Turf Paradise backside without an open training track. Horsemen have concerns with too many horses training on main track in the morning due to this.

- Commissioner Coolidge directs Division to address this in safety meeting.
- Division indicates this will be addressed in the safety report at the regular January Commission Meeting.
- General Manager of Turf Paradise, Vincent Francia, indicates the issue is currently being addressed and the training track should be open shortly.

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission should please notify Commission Secretary, Cassie Goodwin, via EMAIL at 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).

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

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