



AMENDED ARIZONA RACING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021
688th REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Action Taken Denoted In Red

The summary written below are notes compiled by ADG staff and are based on their observation of the live meeting. For the official record, please refer to the meeting minutes.

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(s) on any matter listed on the Agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public.

A. Call to Order of the 688th Regular Arizona Racing Commission Meeting of June 10, 2021 All Commissioners Present

B. Executive Session

The following item is for Executive Session purposes only:

1. Simms v. Arizona Racing Commission, No. CV-21-0073-PR, Arizona Supreme Court, regarding a Racing License for Ronald A. Simms, Case No. 14A-020-RAC. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4) to discuss with and instruct its attorneys in this matter. Commission recesses (10:02am).

C. Action Items: Review, discussion and possible action on:

1. Request from Arizona Downs, LLC for Approval Live Race Dates and Dark Day Simulcast for the 2021 Race Season. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter. **Mike Weiss and Dave Auther addressed the Commission on behalf of Arizona Downs. Commission enters into Executive Session (10:21)**
2. Request from TP Racing, L.L.L.P. for Approval of Live Race Dates and Dark Day Simulcast for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter. **Turf Paradise GM Vincent Francia addressed the Commission. Racing Director Rudy Casillas recommended approval of this item.**
3. Request from Arizona Downs for Off-Track Betting Facilities: **Item tabled due to approval issues.**
 - a. Haney's Castaways Sports Bar, 5110 E. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85008
 - b. Padre Murphy's Sports Bar, 4338 W. Bell Rd., Glendale, AZ 85308
4. Simulcast Agreements Pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-112(U) **Agreement approved.**
 - A. Arizona Downs
 - a. All American Ruidoso Downs

5. Simulcast Horse Racing Import Signals Pursuant to IHA Section 3004(a)(3) **Signal approved.**
 - A. Arizona Downs
 - a. Ruidoso (anticipated dates 05/28/2020 – 09/06/2021)

D. Information Reports

1. Track Safety Report(s) (Juan Estrada)
2. Budget Report (Director Casillas/Jason La Forest)
3. Jockey Concussion Protocols (Darrell Haire, Jockey's Guild)
4. Monthly Track Maintenance Reports from Permittees (Director Casillas)
5. Permittee Reports – **Not to exceed 3 minutes**
 - a. American Greyhound Racing **Aaron Feinburg, General Manager, addressed the Commission**
 - b. Arizona Downs **Michael Weiss, General Manager, addressed the Commission.**
 - c. County Fairs **No Report.**
 - d. Rillito Park **Michael Weiss, General Manager, addressed the Commission.**
 - e. Tucson Greyhound Park **No report.**
 - f. Turf Paradise **Vincent Francia, General Manager, addressed the Commission.**
6. Optional Industry Stakeholder Association Updates (limited to officers or officially designated spokesperson) – **Not to exceed 3 minutes**
 - a. Arizona Counties Racing Association **No Report**
 - b. Arizona Quarter Horse Racing Association **Lloyd Yother, President, addressed the Commission.**
 - c. Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Association **Debbie Zimmerman, Executive Director, addressed the Commission.**
 - d. Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association **Leroy Gessmann, President, addressed the Commission.**
 - e. Jockey's Guild **No Reports**

E. Commission Reports

1. Summary of Current Events Affecting the Arizona Racing Commission. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K) – Only Commission Members or the Director may report. No discussion or action may be taken on matters reported unless properly noticed for legal action or discussion.
2. Identification of matters to be placed on future Agendas.

F. 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, by 9 a.m. April 19, 2021 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 after 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 Meet. 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 541-626-6148 PIN 398 809 873# 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).

G. Announcements

The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting will be at **10:00 AM on Thursday, July 8, 2021** at **1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona** or via **Google Meet**, 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.

H. Adjournment Adjourned 11:56 AM

I. 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