



ARIZONA RACING COMMISSION
Thursday, March 14, 2024
721th REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (A)(4), 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 721th Arizona Racing Commission Meeting of Thursday, March 14, 2024

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

(The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on any matter listed in this Section B.)

1. Request from Turf Paradise for Approval of the Off-Track Betting Facility Ole Brass Rail, 3738 E. Thomas, Phoenix, AZ 85018. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter.
2. Request from Turf Paradise for Approval of the following 2024 Charity Race Dates: Thursday, April 11, 2024, Monday, April 15, 2024, and Saturday, May 4, 2024. The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter.
3. Simulcast Agreements Pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-112(U). The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter.
 - a. Turf Paradise
 1. Aqueduct (NYRA)
 2. Dubai World Club
 3. Keeneland
 4. MJC Laurel Park (MCM)
 5. Evangeline Downs
 6. Hawthorne Race Course (MCM)
 7. Horseshoe Indianapolis (MCM)
 8. Sandy Ridge (NYRA)
4. Simulcast Horse Racing Import Signals Pursuant to IHA Section 3004(a)(3). The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on this matter.
 - a. Turf Paradise
 1. Aqueduct (Complete) (anticipated dates 04/05/2024-05/05/2024)
 2. Dubai World Club (Complete) (anticipated dates 03/30/2024-03/30/2024)

3. Keeneland (Complete) (anticipated dates 04/05/2024-05/31/2024)
4. MJC Laurel Park (Complete) (anticipated dates 04/05/2024-05/31/2024)
5. Evangeline Downs (Pending) (anticipated dates 04/05/2024-05/31/2024)
6. Hawthorne Race Course (Pending) (anticipated dates 03/23/2024-05/31/2024)
7. Horseshoe Indianapolis (Pending)(anticipated dates 04/08/2024-05/31/2024)
8. Sandy Ridge (Pending) (anticipated dates 03/17/2024-03/26/2024)

C. Information Reports

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1. Track Safety Report (Sue Gale, Juan Estrada, Don Rausch)
2. Budget Report
3. Legislative Update (Maxwell Hartgraves)
4. Report on International Horseracing Integrity Act (Wm. Leroy Gessmann, HBPA)
5. Permittee Reports – **Not to exceed 3 minutes**
 - a. American Greyhound Racing
 - b. Arizona Downs
 - c. County Fairs
 - d. Rillito Park
 - e. Turf Paradise
6. Optional Industry Stakeholder Association Updates (limited to officers or officially designated spokesperson) – **Not to exceed 3 minutes**
 - a. Arizona Counties Racing Association
 - b. Arizona Quarter Horse Racing Association
 - c. Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Association
 - d. Horsemen’s Benevolent & Protective Association
 - e. Jockey’s Guild
7. Proposed Work Sessions (Director Casillas)

D. Commission Reports

(The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session under A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and/or (4) in order to discuss with its attorneys on any matter listed in this Section D.)

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.

E. Call to the Public

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission should please notify by phone or text to the Commission Secretary, Ana Armenta, via EMAIL at aarmenta@azgaming.gov by 9:00 a.m. March 14, 2024 with your name and identify the portion of the Agenda for which you wish to address the Commission, if applicable, or just provide your name if you wish to address the Commission on any matter not listed on the Agenda. If any person wishes to address the Commission once the meeting has commenced, those persons may TEXT the Commission Secretary, Ana Armenta, at 602-316-6976, 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 five (5) minutes to speak. Comment length beyond five (5) minutes is at the discretion of the Chairman. Those who waive their opportunity to speak when called upon may not assign their time to another individual. Those requesting to

speakers should be prepared to use a phone to call into the meeting at 262-770-5837 PIN: 630 308 377# or the microphone on their device as soon as the Chairman recognizes them to speak. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to responding to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, directing staff to study the matter, or asking that the matter be placed on a future Agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(I).

F. Announcements

The next scheduled Commission meeting will not meet in person and will meet **via Google Meet at 10:00 AM on Friday, April 12, 2024**, and is subject to change based on a quorum. Access to the meeting place will be fifteen minutes before the start of the meeting. For current information about the Arizona Racing Commission meeting schedule, please visit the Arizona Department of Gaming-Racing Division website (<https://gaming.az.gov/racing/calendar>)

G. Adjournment

H. 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 100 N. 15th Ave., Ste. 202, Phoenix, AZ 85007.