

Sports Wagering Application Review Commission

Tom Brandt, Chairman

Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 9:00 am
Virtual Meeting

Agenda

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

II. Approval of the Agenda

III. Acknowledgement of Receipt of the Application Materials for the Recently Qualified Applicant

- On November 18, 2021, this Commission determined that for applicants for noncompetitive sports wagering facility licenses, Sections E–1 through E–6 of the Maryland Lottery Gaming Control Commission (MLGCC) sports wagering facility application shall serve as the sports wagering facility license application for the commission.
- On October 6, 2023, MSF Sports, Inc., a subsidiary of the Maryland State Fair and Agriculture Society, Inc., submitted to this Commission requested portions (Sections E–1 through E–6) of the applicant’s MLGCC sports wagering facility application.
- This Commission has reviewed the applicant’s application in accordance with § 9-1E–15(f) of the State Government Article.

IV. Consideration of Public Interest Factors for the Recently Qualified Applicant

- Section 9–1E–15(o) of the State Government Article prohibits SWARC from awarding a sports wagering license under Title 9, Subtitle 1E of the State Government Article unless SWARC determines and declares that an applicant selected for award of the license is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes of Title 9, Subtitle 1E of the State Government Article.
- During the November 18 SWARC meeting, SWARC discussed three public interest factors: (1) enhanced State fiscal resources (money for education); (2) economic development opportunities; and (3) regulating an otherwise unregulated black market.

ACTION ITEM: 1. Motion to determine and declare that award of a sports wagering facility license to MSF Sports, Inc., is in public interest and consistent with the purposes of Title 9, Subtitle 1E of the State Government Article.

APPROVE/DISAPPROVE

V. Consideration of Awarding a License to the Recently Qualified Applicant

ACTION ITEM: 2. Motion to award a sports wagering facility license to MSF Sports, Inc., subject to the applicant entering the memorandum of understanding (MOU) required under § 9-1E-15(i)(2) of the State Government Article.

APPROVE/DEFER

VI. Closed Session, if necessary, in accordance with § 3-305 of the General Provisions Article.

VII. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next virtual Commission meeting may either be November 15, December 13, or January 2024

VIII. Adjournment