

Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency

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SUBJECT: Report for the February 2025 Commission Meeting

A. eLICENSING

- MS Technologies is working on six system upgrades, including transition to newer servers. Of these, four have been tested and released to the Production environment.
- The Agency released a Task Order RFP (TORFP) for support and maintenance on the eLicensing system.

B. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- IT has worked with Agency staff to select volunteers for testing various applications as we prepare to migrate to Windows 11. Many employees will be receiving new PCs as part of the migration.
- We continue work on several recruitments. The postings have closed and we're preparing for upcoming interviews.
- IT is working with Procurement and the Security team on the surveillance and access control system procurement.
- IT is working with the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) on our upcoming Microsoft license renewal and integrating our agency into the statewide Enterprise Agreement.
- The current quarter security training for the Agency is already at 73% complete.

C. PROCUREMENT

The Procurement team continues to process procurement requests as expeditiously as possible.

- The Procurement Team attended the 2025 MBE Night in Annapolis, February 20th, 2025. MLGCA was also recognized in the FY 2024 GOSBA report for increasing the Small Business Reserve spend with respect to small procurements.
- Lottery Central Monitoring and Control System (LCMCS) #2015-01. The RFP process is ongoing with Committee members reviewing the proposals received.
- Advertising and Related Services RFP with two functional areas - Functional Area I-Creative Development, Production, Digital, Website and Research Services; and Functional Area II Media Planning and Buying Services. The current contract expires in June 2025. The RFP evaluation process is nearly complete and a recommendation will be submitted to the Commission in March and subsequently to BPW.

- Veteran’s ITLM contract. The contract has been extended to November 2025. The Agency is waiting to see what legislative action occurs during the 2025 session before completing and issuing the RFP for a new system and devices.
- The 2025 Ravens licensing agreement. The terms and conditions of this sole source contract are being discussed with the Ravens and NFL. Once agreed upon, the item will be submitted for Commission and BPW approval.
- With respect to small contract procurements, the current list of procurements includes:
 - The review of the Task Order RFP (TORFP) for a new Security and Surveillance system contract should be completed shortly and will be submitted to the Commission and then DoIT for approval and addition to an upcoming BPW agenda.
 - Temporary Personnel contract – No change
 - Licensing system (eLicensing) maintenance contract – TORFP will be issued in late February.

D. COMMISSION ACTION ITEM – CONSENT AGENDA

The Agency would like to provide artists with an opportunity to submit their original art, either existing or newly created, for consideration to be used on a future instant ticket and/or point of sale marketing materials. The submissions would be solicited from artists through a publicly announced contest. Artists may submit their work for judging by Agency content experts for possible inclusion on Maryland Lottery assets. The contest award would be that the artist’s work would appear on an instant ticket or other Maryland Lottery assets with attribution. The culmination of the contest will result in a licensing agreement being entered into between the Agency and the artist.

E. EXERCISE OF DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Report on Staff’s exercise of delegated authority to qualify an applicant, determine whether an applicant meets requirements for a sports wagering license, and issue a sports wagering license.

By unanimous vote on November 18, 2021, the Commission delegated to Staff the authority, under certain chapters of the sports wagering regulations, to:

- determine that an applicant for a sports wagering license is qualified;
- determine that an applicant meets all applicable requirements for issuance of a sports wagering licenses, and
- issue a sports wagering license.

https://www.mdgaming.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Staff-agenda-memo-delegation_11-15-21-final.pdf

This Delegation included a requirement that Staff report to the Commission its exercise of authority under the Delegation. Accordingly, Staff is reporting that it has exercised the authority of the Delegation to:

Issue a mobile sports wagering license to:

None this month

Issue a sports wagering facility license to:

None this month