

Dear Chairwoman Andrews-Maltais,

We were copied on your letter to the MVC and note your statement that the Tribe expresses a commitment to pay the Tribe's fair share for any needed services such as police, fire and EMS services regardless of whether these services are provided by the Town or others.

The Town of Chilmark needs to provide necessary staffing to deal with issues of public safety that arise in Chilmark from the operation of the gaming facility. As I'm sure you realize, our Town operates on a budget that is voted at the April Annual Town Meeting, which sets funding for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019.

Our concerns arise as all vehicular traffic, other than vehicles from Aquinnah, pass through the Town of Chilmark.

In order to build a budget that meets our obligations to public safety resulting from the gaming facility and to get approval for the budget at our ATM, please provide information on a number of elements relating to your facility as below that relate to public safety.

Specifically:

Planned Opening Date

Hours of Operation

Number of anticipated guests

Number of anticipated vehicles

    Private vehicles

    Vans

    Coaches

Hours of operation of Beer and Wine sales

Estimation of peak use hours and days

We recognize that there are other specifics that will need to be addressed, but the above list, which we are sure was considered in your business plan, would be a helpful start for the Chilmark to develop its budgets.

In regard to your commitment to pay a fair share of these costs, please advise as to your proposal and schedule for reimbursement to the Town of Chilmark.

Given the time constraints of our April 22 Town Meeting, we would appreciate this information as soon as possible.

Best regards,

Chilmark Board of Selectmen

James Malkin, Warren Doty, Bill Rossi