

Virginia Casino Key Dates for 2021 (Host city: Richmond, Virginia)

June 1: First date upon which the host city may submit its documentation for Virginia Lottery review and approval to proceed to referendum.

July 21: Lottery Board meeting.

August 13: Deadline for entry of Circuit Court order to hold referendum on the question of whether casino gaming shall be permitted in the host city. (Virginia Code § 24.2-682)

November 2: General Election during which eligible host city voters will cast ballot on question of casino gaming.

Late November/Early December: Results from November General Election referendum are certified by the State Board of Elections (SBE).

- Within 30 days of an affirmative SBE referendum certification, the eligible host city shall certify its preferred casino gaming operator and submit such certification to the Lottery.

After the host city submits the certification of its preferred casino gaming operator, the application process may begin. The Virginia Lottery Board is required to issue its decision on the casino gaming operator license within 12 months after the submission of a complete application package.