



**City of Somerville
Licensing Commission**

Regular Meeting

**Tuesday
October 22, 2024
6:00pm**

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Communications

1. Minutes of the Regular Licensing Commission Meeting of 09/17/2024.
2. Communication from the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) accepting the Offer in Compromise in Lieu of Suspension from Galwegan Inc., d/b/a The Burren, and rescinding the previously issued 10-day suspension.
3. Communication from the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) advisory regarding non-consensual drugging occurring at bars, clubs, and other licensed premises.



4. Communication from the Chair and City Clerk's Office reminding the appropriate licensees of the end of the outdoor dining season.
5. List of Restaurants and Clubs that have not renewed their alcohol license for 2024 due to failure to obtain a 304 Certificate of Inspection:

License#	Business Name	Address	License Type
AL17-000080	Alpine Restaurant Group Inc d/b/a Pizzeria Posto	187 Elm Street	All Forms (Restaurant)
AL17-000339	Genki Investment & Development Inc d/b/a Genki Ya of Somerville	246 Elm Street	All Forms (Restaurant)
AL22-000021	Lion Rock LLC d/b/a Saigon Tiger	7 Holland Street	All Forms (Restaurant)
AL17-000186	KFSS Corp d/b/a The Kebab Factory	414 Washington Street	Wine and Malt (Restaurant)
AL17-000017	Somerville Sports Club Inc d/b/a Somerville Sports Club	203 Somerville Avenue	All Forms (Club)
AL17-000025	Somerville City Club Inc d/b/a Somerville City Club	20 Inner Belt Road	All Forms (Club)

Continued from the 9/17/24 Licensing Commission meeting.

Status Report

6. Commission requesting a status report on the use of All Forms Alcohol License:

License #	Business Name	Address	License Type	Category
AL17-000326	Teele Square Café d/b/a The Basement	1133B Broadway	All Forms	Private

Continued from the 5/16/22, 3/20/23, 9/25/23, 11/13/23, 1/16/24, 4/16/24, 7/16/2024 Licensing Commission meetings.



Special Alcohol Licenses

7. Warehouse XI, 11 Sanborn Court, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Music Sessions at Warehouse XI, to be held indoors at 11 Sanborn Court, on 10/25/24, 10/26/24, 10/27/24, 10/28/24, 10/31/24, 11/01/24, 11/02/24, 11/05/24, 11/07/24, 11/08/24, 11/09/24, 11/13/24, 11/14/24, 11/15/24, 11/16/24, 11/18/24 from 7pm-11pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000245)
8. Forge Baking Company, 626 Somerville Avenue, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Rehearsal Dinner, to be held indoors at 626 Somerville Avenue, on 11/01/24 from 6pm-9pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000242)
9. Boston Bouldering Project, 12A Tyler Street, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Boulderfest, to be held indoors at 12A Tyler Street, on 11/09/24 from 4pm-8pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000237)
10. St Anthony Parish, 12 Properzi Way, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Reveillon 2025, to be held indoors at 12 Properzi Way, on 12/31/24 from 8pm-12:30am. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000232)
11. Nicholas McGriff, 11 Sanborn Court, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Nicholas & Jenna's Wedding Reception, to be held indoors at Warehouse XI, 11 Sanborn Court, on 01/18/25 from 5:30pm-10:30pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000222)



Special Farmer Winery Licenses

12. House Bear Brewing, 3 Graf Road Newburyport, requesting approval of a Special Farmer Winery License for Somerville Winter Farmers Market, to be held indoors at 191 Highland Ave, on every Saturday from 11/02/24 to 04/05/25 from 9:30am-1pm.
(Alcohol Service)
(SFW24-000006)
13. Blisspoint Meadery, 1 Fox Run Road Bedford, requesting approval of a Special Farmer Winery License for Somerville Winter Farmers Market, to be held indoors at 191 Highland Ave, on every Saturday from 11/02/24 to 04/12/25 from 9:30am-1:30pm.
(Alcohol Service)
(SFW24-000005)

Existing Common Victualer License **Change of DBA**

14. Crave & Co INC d/b/a Crave & Co Cafe, 198 Holland Street Somerville, requesting approval of a change of DBA name.
Current DBA Name: Crave & Co Cafe
Proposed DBA Name: Basma
(ALM24-000046)

Existing Package Store License **Alteration of Premises**

15. Kajal and Kevin II LLC d/b/a Liquor Junction, 14 McGrath Highway Somerville, requesting approval of an Alteration of Premises.
Current square footage: 5,372
Proposed square footage: 11,834
(ALM24-000035)

This is the Notice of a Public Hearing for this Item. The Public is welcome to attend and be heard.



Existing Alcohol License

Transfer of Stock, Change of Ownership Interest, and Change of Directors/Officers

16. RCSH Operations INC d/b/a Ruth's Chris Steak House, 375 Revolution Drive Somerville, requesting approval of a Transfer of Stock, Change of Ownership Interest, and Change of Directors/Officers.

(ALM24-000044)

Current Officers/Directors and Stock Interest:

Current Officers/Directors	Current Title/Position	Current Percentage of Ownership
Ruth's Hospitality Group INC	Shareholder	100%
Cheryl J. Henry	President and Director	0%
Ame G. Hack	Treasurer & Director	0%
Alice G. Givens	Secretary & Director	0%

Proposed Officers/Directors and Stock Interest:

Proposed Officers/Directors	Proposed Title/Position	Proposed Percentage of Ownership
Ruth's Hospitality Group Inc	Shareholder	0%
Darden Restaurant's Inc	Shareholder	100%
Erik M. Jenkins	President and Director	0%
Lindsay L. Koren	Treasurer	0%
Collen H. Lyons	Secretary	0%
Angela M. Simmons	Vice President and Director	0%

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New
Adult-Use Marijuana Retail Establishment License, Group A

17. Core Empowerment LLC d/b/a Seed, 500 Medford Street Somerville, requesting approval of an Adult-Use Marijuana Retail Establishment License.

Hours of Operation:
Mon-Sun: 10am-10pm
(ME22-000007)

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New
Common Victualer License

18. Golden Sun Enterprise INC d/b/a Sora Japan, 509 Broadway Somerville, requesting approval of a Common Victualer License.

Hours of Operation:
Mon-Sun: 11am-11pm
Indoor Seats: 12
(AL24-000024)

New
Common Victualer and Entertainment by Devices Indoors License

19. AYT Foods LLC d/b/a The Blue Elephant, 719 Broadway Somerville, requesting approval of a Common Victualer and Entertainment by Devices Indoors License.

Hours of Operation:
Mon-Fri: 11am-3pm, 4:30pm-9:30pm; Sat-Sun: 11:30am-9:30pm
Indoor Seats: 44
(AL24-000023)

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New

All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License

Common Victualer, Entertainment by Devices and Performers Indoors and Outdoors, Sunday Hours, Outdoor Public Sidewalk and Parklet Seating, and 2am License

20. H and P Restaurant Group LLC d/b/a Gauchao Brazilian Cuisine, 102 Broadway Somerville, requesting approval of an All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualer, Entertainment by Devices and Performers Indoors and Outdoors, Outdoor Public Sidewalk and Parklet Seating, and 2am License.
Hours of Operation: Indoor (Food and Alcohol Service)
Sun-Thurs: 10am-1am, Fri-Sat: 10am-2am
Hours of Operation: Outdoor (Food and Alcohol Service)
Mon-Sun: 10am-10pm
Indoor Seats: 152
Outdoor Public Sidewalk Seats: 10
Outdoor Public Parklet Seats: 48
(AL24-000025)

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Late Items

21. Somerville Historic Society, 1 Westwood Road Somerville, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Art of the Festival opening reception, to be held indoors at 1 Westwood Road, on 01/16/2025 from 6pm-8pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000246)
22. Downeast Cider House, 256 Marginal Street Boston, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Downeast @ Assembly Row by Club VOLO, to be held outdoors at The Park at Assembly Row, on 10/30/2024 through 11/27/2024 from 11am-11pm. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL24-000248)