

City of Somerville Licensing Commission

Regular Meeting

Tuesday
November 19, 2024
6:00 p.m.
City Council Chamber and Remote Participation

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Communications

- 1. Minutes of the Regular Licensing Commission Meeting of 10/22/2024.
- 2. Requesting approval of the 2025 Proposed Somerville Licensing Commission Meeting Schedule.
- 3. Communication from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (ABCC) regarding annual holiday compliance reminder (Happy Hour Regulation).

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4. Somerville Police Department comment on 2AM Closing Establishments.

Date Approved	Business	Address
9/29/2005	The Independent	75 Union Square
9/29/2005	Casey's	171 Broadway
9/29/2008	Vera's	70 Union Square
4/26/2006	Olde Magoun Saloon	518 Medford Street
3/19/2012	Foundry on Elm	255 Elm Street
2/26/2007	The Burren	247 Elm Street
8/27/2007	Fasika	145-147 Broadway
11/15/2010	Trina's Starlight Lounge	3 Beacon Street
6/16/2014	El Potro	61 Union Square
2/22/2016	Earl's Kitchen and Bar	698 Assembly Row #102
11/18/2019	La Posada Restaurant	505 Medford Street
7/25/2017	Holiday Inn	30 Washington St
10/22/2024	Gaucho	102 Broadway
7/19/2021	Premier On Broadway	519 Broadway
5/21/2024	The Tall Order	70 Beacon St

5. Above and Beyond Catering, 42 Plympton Street, Boston notifying the Commission of an Event, held at Assembly Innovation Park, Assembly Park Drive PH1, on Thursday, November 7, 2024 from 4pm to 7pm.

2025 License Renewals

6. Requesting approval of all 2025 license renewals.

Existing Common Victualer License Public Sidewalk Outdoor Seating

7. Ola Gifts Café LLC d/b/a Ola Café, 112 Broadway Somerville, requesting approval of Public Sidewalk Outdoor Seating.

Outdoor Public Sidewalk Seats: 8

(ALM24-000048)

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

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New All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License Common Victualer, Entertainment by Devices Indoors, and Sunday Hours

8. K-Bok Korean Fried Chicken LLC d/b/a K-Bok Korean Fried Chicken, 249 Washington Street Somerville, requesting approval of an All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License,

Entertainment by Devices Indoors, and Sunday Hours.

Hours of Operation: Indoor Alcohol Service: Mon-Sat: 8am-10pm, Sun: 10am-10pm Hours of Operation: Indoor Food Service):

Mon-Sun: 8am-10pm Indoor Seats: 50 (AL24-000029)

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Existing All Forms Alcohol License Alteration of Premises

9. Soba Ya LLC d/b/a Sugidama, 234 Elm Street Somerville, requesting the approval of Alteration of Premises.

Current Indoor Seats: 36
Proposed Indoor Seats: 52

Current Outdoor Public Parklet Seats: 16 Proposed Outdoor Public Parklet Seats: 0

(ALM24-000050)

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<u>Transfer of License and Pledge of Inventory</u> All Forms 7 Day Package Store License (Private)

10. Om Namah Shivaya Corp d/b/a Sav-Mor Spirits, requesting approval of a Transfer of License of an All Forms 7 Day Package Store License and Pledge of Inventory from Starl Liquors Inc d/b/a Sav-Mor Spirits located at 325 Canal Street, Unit 518.

Hours of Operation:

Mon-Thurs: 9am-10pm; Fri-Sat: 9am-11pm; Sun: 11am-7pm (AL24-000026)

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11. Om Namah Shivaya Corp d/b/a Sav-Mor Spirits, requesting approval of a Transfer of License of an All Forms 7 Day Package Store License and Pledge of Inventory from MVP Liquors, Inc d/b/a Sav-Mor Spirits located at 2153 Mystic Valley Parkway.

Hours of Operation:

Mon-Thurs: 9am-10pm; Fri-Sat: 9am-11pm; Sun: 10am-8pm (AL24-000027)

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Existing Package Store License Change of Officers/Directors and Transfer of Stock

12. New Reliable Market Inc d/b/a Reliable Market, 45 Union Square Somerville, requesting approval of a Change of Officers/Directors and Transfer of Stock. (ALM24-000051)

Current Officers/Directors and Stock Interest:

Current Officers/Directors	Current Title/Position	Current Percentage of Ownership
Myo Smith	President, Treasurer, Secretary,	34%
	Director, Shareholder	
Paul Casserly	Shareholder	33%
On Gu Cho	Shareholder	33%

Proposed Officer/Director and Stock Interest:

Proposed Officers/Directors	Proposed Title/Position	Proposed Percentage of Ownership
On Gu Cho	President, Treasurer, Secretary,	100%
	Director, Shareholder	

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Existing Alcohol License Change of Manager

13. DDH Hotel Somerville LLC d/b/a Holiday Inn Boston/Somerville, 30 Washington Street

Somerville, requesting approval of a Change of Manager.

Current Manager: Ryan Burkart Proposed Manager: Sean Smith

(ALM24-000049)

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New Common Victualer License

14. Lollacai LLC d/b/a Lollacai, 147A Highland Ave, requesting approval of a Common

Victualer License. Hours of Operation: Tues-Sun: 12pm-10pm

Indoor Seats: 8 (AL24-000028)

15. The Buzzin' Bean LLC d/b/a The Buzzin' Bean, 237 Holland St Somerville, requesting the approval of a Common Victualer License.

Hours of Operation: Sat-Sun: 7am-11pm

Mon: Closed

Tues-Fri: 7am-10pm Indoor Seats: 18 (AL24-000030)

Existing All Forms Alcohol License Change of Hours

16. Atelier PRB LLC d/b/a PRB Boulangerie, 120 Beacon Street Somerville, requesting the approval of Change of Hours.

Current Hours of Operation: Indoor and Outdoor (Alcohol Service):

Mon-Sat: 8am-8pm, Sun: 10am-8pm

Current Hours of Operation: Indoor and Outdoor (Food Service):

Mon-Sun: 7am-8pm

Proposed Hours of Operation: Indoor and Outdoor (Alcohol Service):

Mon-Sat: 8am-12am; Sun: 10am-12am

Proposed Hours of Operation: Indoor and Outdoor (Food Service):

Mon-Sun: 7am-12am (ALM24-000053)

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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)

This item is continued from, and a public hearing occurred during, the 10/22/2024 Licensing Commission meeting.

<u>Existing Retail Marijuana</u> Change of Officers/Directors and Change of Ownership and Control Interest

18. Holistic Industries, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Cannabis, 304 Somerville Ave., requesting approval of a Change of Officers/Directors and a Change of Ownership and Control Interest.

Current Owners:

- Persons with Direct or Indirect
 Control in Licensed Entity
 - Josh Genderson CEO,
 Director
 - O Beni Golani Director
 - David Cohen Secretary,
 Director
- Persons With Indirect Control via
 Parent Company (Holistic Industries
 Inc. (DE))
 - O David Leider Director
 - Richard Genderson Director
 - Josh Genderson CEO,
 Director
 - Zeeshan Hyder CFO,
 Secretary
 - O Jason Goldblatt Director

Proposed Owners:

- Persons with Direct or Indirect Control in Licensed Entity
 - Josh Genderson CEO,
 Director
- Persons with Indirect Control via Parent Company (Holistic Industries Inc. (DE))
 - O David Leider Director
 - Cynthia Brighton Director,
 Owner
 - Renfrew Brighton Jr. Director
 - O Howard Romanow Director
 - O Loren Roseman Director
 - O Karl Ziegler Owner
 - William Ziegler Owner

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- Adam Verner Director -4.13%
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(MEA24-000004)

Late Items

Special Alcohol Licenses

- 19. St. Anthony Parish, 12 Properzi Way, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for Thayz and Deivid's Wedding, to be held indoors at 12 Properzi Way, on 12/14/24 from 8pm-1am. (Alcohol Service) (PEL24-000256)
- 20. LEGO Discovery Center Boston, 598 Assembly Row, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for LEGO Discovery Center Boston Adult Night, to be held indoors at 598 Assembly Row, on 1/8/25, 2/14/25, 3/12/25, 4/9/25, 5/14/25, 6/11/25, 7/9/25, 8/13/25, 9/10/25, 10/29/25, 11/12/25, 12/10/25 from 7pm-9:30pm. (Alcohol Service) (PEL24-000257)

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