



**City of Somerville
Licensing Commission**

Regular Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday
February 18, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

City Council Chamber and Remote Participation

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Communications

1. Minutes of the Regular Licensing Commission Meeting of 1/21/2024.
2. Communication from the Law Department regarding the impact of the appointment of a receiver to an existing Host Community Agreement.

Status Report

3. Commission requesting a status report on the use of the 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 5/16/2022, 3/20/2023, 9/25/2023, 11/13/2023, 1/16/2024, 4/16/2024, 7/16/2024, 10/22/2024, and 1/21/25 Licensing Commission meetings.



Violations

4. Hearing for Mike's Bar, Inc. d/b/a Mike's Bar, 97 Washington Street, AL17-000049, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 138 §§ 23 and 64, to show cause as to why their All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualer License, 10AM Sunday Opening License, and Entertainment by Devices and Performers Licenses should not be modified, suspended, revoked or forfeited, or the hours during which alcoholic beverages be reduced, for alleged violations of the following Somerville Licensing Commission Rules and Regulations:

Somerville Licensing Commission Rule 1.09(a) –

It shall be the obligation of licensees to ensure that a high degree of supervision is exercised over the conduct of the licensed establishment at all times. Each licensee will be held accountable for all violations that are related to the licensed premises to determine whether or not the licensee acted properly in the given circumstances.

Somerville Licensing Commission Rule 1.09(b) –

Licensees shall maintain compliance with all health and safety laws for the areas outside and contiguous to the licensed premises.

Somerville Licensing Commission Rule 1.09(d) –

Licensees shall take such steps as are necessary to ensure that patrons or employees do not leave the premises with alcoholic beverages. Such steps may include, but are not limited to:

- (1) having an employee stationed at the door to watch patrons as they leave;
- (2) refusing to serve beer in bottles;
- (3) refusing to serve alcoholic beverages in disposable cups. When the Commission's agents observe patrons leaving the premises with beer bottles, beer cans, or cups or glasses filled with liquids that smell like alcoholic beverages, it shall be presumed that the vessels contain alcoholic beverages. . . .

Somerville Licensing Commission Rule 1.09(e) –

When any noise, disturbance, misconduct, disorder, act or activity occurs in the licensed premises, or in the area in front of or adjacent to the licensed premises, or in any parking lot provided by the licensee for the use of its patrons, which in the judgment of the Commission adversely affects the protection, health, welfare, safety or repose of the residents of the area in which the licensed premises are located, or results in the licensed premises becoming the focal point for police attention, or is



offensive to public decency, the licensee may be held in violation of the license and subject to proceedings for suspension, revocation or modification of the license.

5. Hearing for Galwegan Inc. d/b/a The Burren, 247 Elm Street, AL17-000037, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 138 §§ 23 and 64, to show cause as to why their All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License, 2AM Closing License, Common Victualer License, Outdoor Public Seating License, 10AM Sunday Opening License, and Entertainment by Devices, Patrons, and Performers Licenses should not be modified, suspended, revoked or forfeited, or the hours during which alcoholic beverages be reduced, for alleged violations of the following Somerville Licensing Commission Rules and Regulations:

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New
Common Victualer License

6. Compass Group USA Inc d/b/a Capital One Café, 425 Revolution Drive, requesting approval of a Common Victualer License.
Hours of operation:
Mon-Fri: 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sat: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sun: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Indoor seats: 60
(AL23-000029)



7. Viet Citron at Bow Market LLC d/b/a Viet Citron, 1 Bow Market Way, requesting approval of a Common Victualer License.
Hours of operation:
Mon: Closed
Tues-Sat: 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sun: 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Indoor seats: 10
(AL24-000035)

Existing Common Victualer License
Public Sidewalk Outdoor Seating

8. Crispy Crepe, LLC d/b/a Mr. Crepe, 51 Davis Square, requesting approval of Public Sidewalk Outdoor Seating for 10 seats.
(ALM24-000055; AL17-000208)

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

New
Wine and Malt with Cordials and Liqueurs License
Entertainment by Devices Indoors License

9. Kush By Saba LLC d/b/a Kush Modern Mediterranean, 5 Sanborn Court, requesting approval of a Wine and Malt with Cordials and Liqueurs License and Entertainment by Devices Indoors License.
Hours of operation to serve food and alcohol indoors:
Sun-Mon: Closed
Tues-Thurs: 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Fri-Sat: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Indoor seats: 16
(AL24-000034)

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New
Wine and Malt License
Sunday Hours License

10. Kayaa LLC d/b/a Momo N Curry, 431 Somerville Avenue, requesting approval of a Wine and Malt License and Sunday Hours License.

Hours of operation to serve food and alcohol indoors:

Mon-Sun: 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Indoor seats: 19

(AL24-000033)

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New
Wine and Malt License
Sunday Hours and Entertainment by Devices License

11. Eleven Union, LLC, d/b/a Taco Riot, 11 Union Square, requesting approval of a Wine and Malt License, Sunday Hours License, and Entertainment by Devices License.

Hours of operation for indoor food and alcohol service:

Mon: Closed

Tues-Sun: 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Indoor seats: 26

(AL24-000031)

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Existing All Forms Alcohol License
Change of Manager

12. Bow Street Charm Corp d/b/a Fuki Japanese Cuisine, 16 Bow Street, requesting approval of a change of manager.

Current manager: Qina Chen

Proposed manager: Chunlong Zhang

(ALM24-000056; AL19-000034)

Continued from the 1/21/2025 Licensing Commission meeting.



13. AMF Bowling Centers, Inc. d/b/a Lucky Strike Somerville, 325 Revolution Drive, requesting approval of a change of manager.
Current manager: Ivy Rose Hudson
Proposed manager: Steven Anthony Santora
(ALM24-000058; AL23-000026)

Existing Wine and Malt Package Store
Change of Manager

14. LLH, LLC d/b/a Trader Joe's, 145 Middlesex Avenue, requesting approval of a change of manager.
Current manager: Ken Gaytan
Proposed manager: Justine Rogers
(ALM25-000002; AL17-000298)

Special Alcohol Licenses

15. Warehouse XI, 11 Sanborn Court, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License (Wine and Malt) for Loftus-Casey Wedding, to be held indoors at 11 Sanborn Court, on 4/13/2025 from 3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (Alcohol Service)
(PEL25-000010)
16. Boston Bouldering Project, 12A Tyler Street, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License (Malt Only) for Reel Rock 19 Film Screening, to be held indoors at 12A Tyler Street, on 3/14/2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Alcohol Service).
(PEL25-000009)

Late Items

Administrative Correction

17. Administrative correction for GTCFF LLC d/b/a Tall Order, 70 Beacon Street, AL24-000013, to amend the approved indoor seat count from 74 to 84, reflecting the accepted floor plan.