

**City of Somerville
Licensing Commission**

**Senior Center
Tufts Administration Building
167 Holland Street**

**Regular Meeting
Monday
May 19, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Chairman Andrew Upton called the meeting to order. Present were Commissioner John J. McKenna, Commissioner Vito Vaccaro, Inspector Warren Chaille, Fire Prevention Representative Kenny Silva, Executive Secretary Jenneen M. Pagliaro and Principal Clerk Lori Jean Batzek.

Minutes of April 28, 2014 meeting were accepted as submitted.

COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro offered two options pertaining to the Discussion to propose revisions to the rules and regulations pertaining to restaurants having Doors and Windows open. The commission voted to change Section 1.06D as follows:

Option 1

Unless written permission is first obtained from the Somerville Licensing Commission, doors and windows may not be in an open position between the hours of 8:00am and 9:00pm Monday through Saturday and on Sundays between the hours of 12:01pm and 9:00pm. Any permission granted to have doors and windows in an open position at the licensed premises is a privilege granted by the Commission and may be modified, suspended or withdrawn due to any violations that may occur at said premises.

Option 2

Unless otherwise provided by the Somerville Licensing Commission, Licensees are permitted to keep doors in an open position between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and on Sundays between the hours of 12:01 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Permission to have doors and window in an open position at the licensed premises is a privilege granted by the Commission and may be modified, suspended, or withdrawn due to any violations that may occur at said premises.

Chairman Upton read current rule (1.06D) into the record.

The Commission chose option 2. The Commission will discuss this subject at the next Licensing Commission Hearing and all interested parties will be free to comment.

COMMON VICTUALER LICENSES

Dong Teriyaki House Inc.
d/b/a Teriyaki House
868 Broadway

Present: Andrea Ko

Ms. Ko came before the Commission requesting approval for a CommonVictualer license at 868 Broadway.

The new owner has 10 years' experience in the restaurant business and is a first time business owner.

Along with the application, a menu, floor plan and lease were submitted for the Commissioners consideration.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To approve the Common Victualer license as presented.

Kindred Cafe LLC
d/b/a Kindred Tea & Tonic Cafe
11 Holland St.

Present: Carla DeLellis

Ms. DeLellis came before the Commission requesting approval for a CommonVictualer license at 11 Holland St.

Ms. DeLellis is the owner of Johnny D's on Holland St. and hopes to open this new establishment in July or August.

Along with the application, a menu, floor plan and lease were submitted for the Commissioners consideration.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To approve the Common Victualer license as presented.

Special Alcohol License

Hellenic Association of Somerville
d/b/a/ Dormition of Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church
29 Central St.

Present: Teddy Menounos

Mr. Menounos came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Christening on June 8, 2014 from 5PM-10PM

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Hellenic Association of Somerville
d/b/a/ Dormition of Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church
29 Central St.

Present: Teddy Menounos

Mr. Menounos came before the Commission requesting approval of Special Alcohol Licenses for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Church Annual Fall Festival on Sept. 5, 2014 from 12PM-11PM, Sept. 6, 2014 from 12PM-12AM, Sept. 7, 2014 from 12PM-9PM

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

St. Anthony Church
12 Properzi Way

Present: Father Ademir Guerini

Father Guerini came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol

License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Festa Junina – Brazilian Folklore Festival on June 21, 2014 from 6PM-12AM

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Project Smile

Present: Lauren Jaffe

Ms. Jaffe came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Mixology competition and sampling as part of Assembly Row Grand Opening to be held outdoors at Assembly Row on May 30, 2014 from 6PM-8PM

Project Smile will be sponsoring this event.

This will be the grand opening of Assembly Row.
Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Taza Chocolate
561 Windsor St.

Present: Suhal Ramirez

Ms. Ramirez came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Father's Day Italian Sub Competition to be held at 561 Windsor St. on June 15, 2014 from 12PM-3PM.

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Redbones Barbecue

Present: Robert Gregory

Mr. Gregory came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for Annual Bike to Work Week Party to be held outdoors at Intersection of Chester and Herbert Sts. on June 9, 2014 from 5PM-10PM (Rain date June 16, 2014).

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Somerville Brewing Company, Inc.

Present: Attorney Adam Dash

Atty. Dash representing Somerville Brewing Company, Inc. came before the Commission requesting approval of Special Alcohol Licenses for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for a Food and Beer Garden to be held outdoors at 399 Canal St. Assembly Row from June 15-July 14, 2014 from 11AM-10PM.

Atty. Dash stated this will be a beer garden with containers that have open sides. There will be no cooking going on just serving prepared sandwiches etc.

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol Licenses as presented.

East End Grille
118 Broadway

Present: Carlene Campbell

Ms. Campbell, representing East End Grille, 118 Broadway came before the Commission

requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for Carnaval @ SomerStreets event to be held outdoors on lower Broadway on June 1, 2014 from 12PM-4PM.

Ms. Campbell stated this will be part of the SomerStreets event and will include music and dancers.

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

LaBrasa
124 Broadway

Present: Carlene Campbell

Ms. Campbell, representing LaBrasa, 124 Broadway came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and selling alcoholic beverages for Carnaval @ SomerStreets event to be held outdoors on lower Broadway on June 1, 2014 from 12PM-4PM.

Ms. Campbell stated this will be part of the SomerStreets event and will include music and dancers.

Experienced servers will be dispensing the alcohol.

Police and Fire Details have been requested.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Alcohol License as presented.

Special Farmer Winery License

Westport Rivers Inc.

Present: Evonne Rogers

Ms. Rogers came before the Commission requesting approval of a Special Farmer Winery License to sell wine by the licensee for off-premises consumption for the Davis

Square Somerville Farmers' Market on Wednesdays, May 21, 2014 through November 26, 2014 from 12PM-6PM.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Special Farmer Winery License as presented.

Entertainment Licenses

Bantam Cider Co.
40 Merriam St.

Present: Michelle DaSilva

Ms. DaSilva came before the Commission requesting approval for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Devices.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Entertainment License as presented.

Fat Hen LLC d/b/a La Brasa
124 Broadway

Present: Daniel Ramirez

Mr. Ramirez came before the Commission requesting approval for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers & Entertainment by Devices.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Entertainment License as presented.

All Forms Alcoholic Beverages
7 Day Restaurant

Change of Manager

The Painted Burro
219 Elm St.

Present: Alexander Riveros

Mr. Riveros came before the Commission requesting approval for a change of manager from Joseph Cassinelli to Alexander Riveros.

Mr. Riveros has restaurant experience

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Change of Manager

AMC Theatres
Assembly Row 12

Present: Attorney Nicholas Zazula

Atty. Zazula, representing AMC Theatres came before the Commission requesting approval for a change of manager from Edward Mahoney to Michelle Norman.

Ms. Norman has worked this Company for 15 years and is tips certified.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the Change of Manager

(New) City License-Non Transferable)
All forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License,
ASSEMBLY ROW (Common Victualer, Entertainment License & Pledge of Stock)

Earl's Restaurant (Somerville, MA) Inc.
d/b/a Earls Kitchen & Bar

Present: Attorney Kristen Scanlon, Dwight Hoover & Delany Delseco

Atty. Scanlon, representing Earl's Restaurant came before the Commission requesting approval for a New All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualer License, Pledge of Stock and Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers and Devices at 698 Assembly Row #102.

Earl's Restaurant is a chain restaurant that was established over 31 years ago and has 60 stores in Canada. This will be the fifth store in the United States.

Sunayana Thomas, OSPCS stated that they are recommending this application for approval.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: to grant the All forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualer, Entertainment License & Pledge of Stock.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully
Jenneen M. Pagliaro
Executive Secretary