

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL26-000004

File #: 16-018900

Event Name: The Race of Ireland 5K RUN/WALK 2026

Business Name: Bill Rogers Jingle Bell 5K Run/walk

Application Type: Public Event License

Location: DAVIS SQ

APPLICANT

Company Name:

Contact Name: Jack Connolly

Business Address:

Home Address:

Somerville, MA 02144

17 winslow ave

Somerville, MA 02144

Work Phone: 617-838-7077

Home Phone:

Email: jmconnolly@wccinsurance.com

of days: 1

Does this event occupy a public space or significantly affect nearby residents?: No

Describe the location in detail: Davis Sq. Start/Finish at the corner of Day and Elm st. The Race of Ireland 5K RUN/WALK begins on Elm St. proceeding onto Holland St. Left on Broadway, Right on North St., Right on to Powderhouse Blvd. around rotary to Broadway,. through Ball Sq. Right on Cedar St. and right on to Community Path to finish in the Grove St. parking lot.

In the last 5 years, have you been found guilty, liable, or responsible, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, for any violation of the City Wage Theft Ordinance or any State or Federal laws or regulations regulating the payment of wages? [City Wage Theft Ordinance](#): No

Date: 03/15/2026

Event Setup Begins: 07:00 AM

Start Time: 11:00 AM

End Time: 01:00 PM

Event Cleanup Ends: 03:00 PM

Do You Have a Proposed Rain Date for Your Public Event?: No

Organization name; if none, your name: BA Events Promotion dba the Race of Ireland

Describe any social or cultural benefits of this event for Somerville residents : This is an annual 5K Walk/Run of an iconic event in (St Patrick's day) in Davis Sq. where both Somerville residents and visitors enjoy an active participant recreational event open to all ages through the streets of West Somerville

Describe any financial benefits of this event for Somerville businesses or organizations: The event benefits local nonprofit organizations such as the Somerville High School Track Scholarship Fund and other Somerville High sports teams, and the Somerville Youth and Recreation Foundation,.

What is the budget for this event?: @\$125K

Complete Mailing Address : 320 BROADWAY SOMERVILLE, MA 02145

Contact name for follow-up questions (Will be available to the public): Paul Collyer and/or Jack Connolly

Email: BAevents@aol.com & jackconnolly422@gmail.com

Phone (Will be available to the public): Paul Collyer 617-283-3292 J. Connolly 617-838-7077

Event Name : The Race of Ireland 5K RUN/WALK 2026

Describe the Event: The event is a 3.2 mile (5 Kilometer) trun/walk through the streets of W. Somerville the Race of Ireland

5K RUN/WALK course begins on Elm St. proceeding onto Holland St. Left on Broadway, Right on North St., Right on to Powderhouse Blvd. around rotary to Broadway, through Ball Sq. Right on Cedar St. and right on to Community Path to finish in the Grove St. parking lot.

Describe any Entertainment at the Event (if none, type None): Recorded holiday music will be played from amplified speakers at the start of the event beginning at 9AM

Describe any tents, inflatables, or other temporary structures to be used (if none, type None): Temporary start and finish line chutes will be setup the morning of the event.

Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants: The streets and sidewalks of the city will be used entirely for the 5K course all fully accessible for all participant.

Estimated maximum attendance at one time : 2000

Estimated total number of people attending: 2000

Estimated total number of Somerville residents attending : 1000

Maximum number of attendees you will accommodate: 2500

Attendee fees or suggested donations : \$45.30 Entry fee before 2/28/26 50.65 Entry fee before 3/1/26

Will this event be open to the public?: Yes

Describe your outreach/publicity: THE RACE OF IRELAND RUN WALK 5K WEBSITE, SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, AND LOCAL PRINT MEDIA CURRENTLY BEING UTILIED

Will food be served?: No

Will a grill/open-flame device be used? : No

Will any streets be blocked? : Yes

If yes, describe:: Temporary closure as per agreements with all city depts. and public safety

Road to be closed: Elm St and Day Street

Cross street where road closure will start: Elm and Day St.

Cross street where road closure will end: COMMUNITY PATH AND GROVE ST.

Will any sidewalks be blocked? : No

Will any public parks be used? : No

Has this event occurred in the last two years? : Yes

If yes, prior dates : Every Sunday prior to St. Patrick's day (3/17/26) for over 20 years

Police Detail : Yes

If yes, describe:: as per pre-event meeting with all city traffic dept and public safety officials.

Parking for Attendees : No

Restrooms : Yes

If yes, please describe the restrooms being provided, and if you are providing portable toilets, state how they will be delivered and removed:: Throne Dept to install temporary toilets on 03/14/26, and removed on 3/16/26

Liability Insurance : Yes

If yes, describe:: As provided by the US Track and Field Association with the City of Somerville named as an additional insured.

Approval Conditions:

Reviewer: Kevin Roche, Engineering, Approved with Conditions

1. Engineering requests that the applicant reach out two weeks prior to event date for Engineering staff to evaluate roadway conditions on Broadway within ongoing streetscape project and to facilitate repairs necessary prior to event.

Reviewer: Charles Breen, Fire Prevention, Approved with Conditions

1. Will require fire details as per past events.

Reviewer: CS Mayor, Mayor's Office, Approved

Reviewer: Albert Bargoot, ISD Building, Approved

Reviewer: Eric Weisman, Public Works, Approved

Reviewer: Suzanne Rinfret1, Traffic and Parking, Approved

Reviewer: Mackenzie Richardson, Police, Approved

Reviewer: Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk, Approved