

CITY OF SOMERVILLE
ORDINANCE NO. 2021-____
In City Council _____

Be it ordained by the Somerville City Council, in session assembled, that Section 12-14 of Chapter 12 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville, is hereby amended with the addition of the underlined sentence following the first sentence:

Sec. 12-14. - Signs, awnings, outdoor seating and other items on or over streets and sidewalks.

No person shall, except in accordance with a permit from the city council or as otherwise duly authorized, place, make or maintain any gate, table, stall, booth or other erection, signs, goods, wares, outdoor seating, doorstep, portico, porch, bow window, entrance or passageway to a cellar or basement, opening or area for admitting light or air, or any other article or structure on any street or sidewalk, or maintain such articles or structures in such a manner as to project or swing into or over any street or sidewalk. The Licensing Commission shall hereby be duly authorized to permit an establishment licensed by said Commission to place outdoor seating and accessories thereto on the public way adjacent to said establishment. Any permit granted under this section for the purpose of placing and maintaining adjacent to a licensed establishment outdoor seating on a public sidewalk shall expire on the 31st day of December in the year in which it is granted. No permit shall be granted unless the petitioner files with the city clerk a bond in the sum of \$5,000.00 to indemnify and save the city harmless from all liability and loss arising out of such permit or, in the alternative, designate the city as an additional insured on the petitioner's general liability, property and casualty insurance coverage. However, with the written permission of the mayor, in accordance with the terms of such permission, any person may suspend the flag of the United States of America or the flag of any country allied with the United States of America or any flag indicating military or naval services of the United States of America over any street or sidewalk.

Approved:

President, City Council

Approved:

Mayor