

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL19-000189

File #: 19-014524

Application for: Public Event

Organization name: Sring Dongshi

Description: Display of Tibetan Prayer Flags and Vigil for Tibet

Date(s): Every Wednesday recurring. Willing to cooperate if the site is used for other purpose. August 28, 2019- August 28, 2020

Setup starts at (time): 10 am

Cleanup after the event ends at (time): 2pm

Entertainment: Soft Music.

Attendees:

Max attendance at one time: bystanders in park, no crowds

Maximum attendees accommodated: na

Attendee fees or suggested donations: no fees or donations

Social or cultural benefits:

Creates atmosphere of Peace and Calm and Beauty in Davis Square

Event Contact: Sring Dongshi

Event name: Weekly Display of Tibetan Prayer Flag and Peaceful Vigil for Tibet

Location: Single Person Putting flags in Statue Park, unobtrusively and quietly, with no disruption to public, of Beautiful and Peaceful Buddhist Prayer Flags

Rain date(s): NA

Event starts at (time): 10 am

Event ends at (time): 2pm

Temporary Structures: Just flags tied to poles in non obstructive way,

Total people attending: 5

Total Somerville residents attending: 5

What is your budget for this event: 0 Dollars

Financial benefits:

Attracts some attention and brings good energy to area.

Event Contact Phone: 6173084187

Event Information	Yes/No	If yes, Describe
Open to the public?	Yes	
Food served?	No	
Caterer used?		
Alcohol served?	No	
Grill/open-flame device used?	No	
Streets blocked?	No	
Sidewalks blocked?	No	
Arrangements:		
Police Detail:	No	
Parking (for Attendees)?	No	
Restrooms?	No	
Liability Insurance?	No	
Will any public parks be used?	Yes	Statue Park
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	No	

Approval Conditions:

Reviewer: CS Mayor, Mayor's Office, Approved with Conditions

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Approved By:

John J. Long, Approved

CS Mayor, Approved with Conditions

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CS Traffic and Parking, Approved

Scott Whalen, Approved

Christine Morin, Approved

John Long

From: Jaclyn Rossetti
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 6:44 PM
To: John Long
Cc: Andrea Torres
Subject: Tibetan Prayer Flags application

John,

As discussed, I'm sending this email to provide more context for PEL 19-000189.

A woman on behalf of the applicant came into the Mayor's Office a few weeks ago to inquire about how he could continue his peaceful and mostly silent "vigil" (of sorts) in Statue Park. He was told at some point that he could not tie Tibetan flags to the poles in the square without a permit, triggering the visit to City Hall.

After some discussion with staff, we determined there didn't seem to be any issue with his continuing to set up in Statue Park, which he requests to be able to do every Wednesday afternoon. Though the application requests "every Wednesday," this is with the understanding that if and when another event is permitted through the City to occur there, he will cede to the other event on that day. He will be required to reapply next year if he wishes to continue to set up in the park along with the flags.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Jackie Rossetti
Deputy Director of Communications
City of Somerville
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