

# PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL24-000175

File #: 24-015823

**Application for:** Public Event

**Organization name:** Em Plotkin

**Description:** This is a DIY community fundraising event to benefit a trans community member who is getting top surgery in the fall. Instead of just asking for money, we are gathering local friends and artists to sell their work and make donations to their surgery fund. The event is going to be lightly funeral-themed, as a macabre but humorous nod to the grief and change involved in transitioning and the joy of gender affirming care and community. There will be several hours of music and vending, and then a more focused time where there will be some speakers and performances.

**Date(s):** 08/25/2024

**Setup starts at (time):** 12pm

**Cleanup after the event ends at (time):** 8pm

**Entertainment:** There will be 3-4 live music performances with other music in between sets.

**Attendees:**

Max attendance at one time: 100

Maximum attendees accommodated: 300

**Attendee fees or suggested donations:** The event is free with encouraged donation or purchases that benefit the fundraiser.

**Social or cultural benefits:**

Instead of directly asking community members for money, this event aims to show that community care and support is reciprocal by celebrating local artists and musicians at the same time as supporting a trans community member as they seek life-changing gender affirming care. Asking for help can be hard, and we hope that this event shows that it can also be a lot of fun.

**Event Contact:** Em Plotkin

**Event name:** Boob Funeral

**Location:** Prospect Hill Park and Munroe Street between Bigelow Street and Greenville Street

**Rain date(s):** 08/31/2024

**Event starts at (time):** 2pm

**Event ends at (time):** 6pm

**Temporary Structures:** There will be a handful of tables and popup tents for vendors, and a stage for musicians to perform.

Total people attending: 250

Total Somerville residents attending: 150

**What is your budget for this event:** \$500

**Financial benefits:**

Local artists and musicians are invited to sell their wares and collect donations.

**Event Contact Phone:** (914)826-3130

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**Event Information**

**Yes/No**

**If yes, Describe**

Open to the public?

Yes

Physical flyers will be posted around Somerville and neighboring communities. Digital flyers and updates will be distributed through social media and a third-party app.

Food served?	No	
Caterer used?		
Alcohol served?	No	
Grill/open-flame device used?	No	
Streets blocked?	Yes	Munroe Street between Bigelow Street and Greenville Street
Sidewalks blocked?	Yes	The sidewalk along the North Western section of Prospect Hill Park (NW of Greenville Street) will have a couple of tables that are along the sidewalk, but not obstructing egress on the sidewalk. A stage will be set up on the NW side of the tower, though not preventing egress in front of the stage along the sidewalk.
Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants		We will provide earplugs for anyone with auditory sensitivities (although the music will not be very loud)
<b>Arrangements:</b>		
Police Detail:	Yes	Only if needed, we can make arrangements for a police detail.
Parking (for Attendees)?	No	
Restrooms?	Yes	We are talking to a neighbor of Prospect Hill Park about allowing event-goers access to their bathroom on Bigelow Street.
Liability Insurance?	Yes	If needed, we can make arrangements for liability insurance with support from the city.
Will any public parks be used?	Yes	Prospect Hill Park
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	No	

**Approved By:**

**CS Mayor, Approved**

**Albert Bargoat, Approved**

**Kevin Roche, Approved**

**CS Traffic and Parking, Approved**

**Eric Weisman, Approved with Conditions**

Approved under the following conditions: Licensee must obtain a permit for use of the outdoor facility under MyRec.

**Susan Yerkes, Approved with Conditions**

Please reserve the park through the Parks & Recreation permit website: <https://somerillema.myrec.com/info/facilities/default.aspx>

**Charles Breen, Approved with Conditions**

Use easily moveable barriers to block streets. The travel lane of the street must be kept clear of obstructions in the event that emergency vehicles need to pass through.

**Timothy Mitsakis, Approved with Conditions**

Follow city noise ordinance guidelines.

**Kimberly M. Wells, Approved**