

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL25-000092

File #: 25-013462

Application for: Public Event

Organization name: Somerville Arts Council and Citizen Joy

Description: Somer Fest is a multi-genre performance arts festival held annually in Somerville.

Date(s): 08/02/2025

Setup starts at (time): 10:00 AM

Entertainment: Somer Fest will feature live music, lawn games, and artistic performances.

Attendees:

Max attendance at one time: 300

Maximum attendees accommodated: 500

Attendee fees or suggested donations: free

Social or cultural benefits:

Somer Fest is an outdoor community festival that showcases talented musicians of color, a marketplace consisting of minority vendors, and lawn games for an immersive attendee experience.

Event Contact: Iaritza Menjivar

Event name: Somer Fest

Location: Seven Hills Park

Rain date(s): 08/03/2025

Event ends at (time): 09:00 PM

Temporary Structures: One 12' x 14' stage for performances and two 10' x 10' tents

Total people attending: 500

Total Somerville residents attending: 300

What is your budget for this event: 6000

Financial benefits:

This community festival will congregate hundreds of people in Davis Square. Foot traffic is notable and always appreciated by the businesses.

Event Contact Phone: 857-270-4988

Event Information	Yes/No	If yes, Describe
Open to the public?	Yes	Newsletter, Press Release, Flyers, Social Media outreach
Food served?	Yes	We will likely have 1 or 2 food vendors and will disclose on the coordinator checklist.
Caterer used?	No	
Alcohol served?	No	
Grill/open-flame device used?	No	
Streets blocked?	No	
Sidewalks blocked?	No	
Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants		The site is ADA accessible. There will also be portable restrooms located including an ADA Unit. We will add seating for those who need it and reserve parking spots as well.
Arrangements:		
Police Detail:	No	
Parking (for Attendees)?	Yes	We are hoping to reserve parking on Meacham Road between Dover Street and Buena Vista Road.
Restrooms?	Yes	Portable restrooms will be added through the Department of Public Works. Delivery usually happens on Fridays and removed by Monday morning.
Liability Insurance?	No	
Will any public parks be used?	Yes	Seven Hills Park
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	Yes	September 9, 2022

Approved By:

CS Mayor, Approved

Albert Bargoot, Approved

Kevin Roche, Approved

CS Traffic and Parking, Approved

Eric Weisman, Approved

Susan Yerkes, Approved with Conditions

Applicant also needs a park permit.

Charles Breen, Approved

Rico Isidoro, Approved

Kimberly M. Wells, Approved