

# PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL23-000105

File #: 23-011218

**Application for:** Public Event

**Organization name:** Somerville Arts Council

**Description:** Ignite Festival, a global and fire festival. This event celebrates the diverse, vibrant culture and cuisine of Union Square. Highlighting fiery food, performances, and lit-up art installations. We also plan on partnering up with Union Sq businesses to provide a featured dish or drink at their own business.

**Date(s):** Saturday, September 30, 2023

**Setup starts at (time):** 2PM

**Cleanup after the event ends at (time):** 11pm

**Entertainment:** This year, we plan to have fire throwers, illuminated roaming performances, light art installations, a myriad of international eats and craft vendors.

## Attendees:

Max attendance at one time: 600

Maximum attendees accommodated: 900

**Attendee fees or suggested donations:** free

## Social or cultural benefits:

The Ignite Festival not only celebrates the international and vibrant culture and cuisine of Union Square but it also is an opportunity for residents to connect with the arts in their community.

**Event Contact:** Iaritza Menjivar

**Event name:** Ignite Festival

**Location:** Union Square plaza, Union Sq parking lot, Sanborn Ct Lot and Stone Park

**Rain date(s):** Sunday, October 1, 2023

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

**Event ends at (time):** 10pm

**Temporary Structures:** 10x10 tents for craft vendors, tables, food vendors will be stationed on the plaza to vend, fire artists will perform inside a metal barricaded fence in order to be distant from crowds, a number of art installations across the square.

Total people attending: 900

Total Somerville residents attending: 500

**What is your budget for this event:** 7,000

## Financial benefits:

This event features and promotes the Union Sq restaurants and businesses.

**Event Contact Phone:** 617-625-6600 x2985

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Event Information	Yes/No	If yes, Describe
Open to the public?	Yes	Press Release, social media, Posters, open call outreach to artists and businesses, newsletter
Food served?	Yes	Nibble Kitchen, Mineirao, Masala Square, Siam Ginger have historically participated. We will submit a coordinator checklist to confirm.
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		Seating will be provided for those who need access to it. There will also be designated parking spots. Sidewalks and crosswalks will remain clear.
<b>Arrangements:</b>		
Police Detail:	Yes	We will need police and fire detail for this event, will discuss in IAP meeting.
Parking (for Attendees)?	No	

Restrooms?	Yes	portajohns in plaza, we'll discuss with DPW
Liability Insurance?	No	
Will any public parks be used?	Yes	Stone Place Park
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	Yes	October 02, 2021, October 1, 2022

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**Approval Conditions:**

**Approved By:**

**CS Mayor, Approved**

**Albert Bargoot, Approved**

**Maureen Lee, Approved**

**Susan Yerkes, Approved**

**Kevin Roche, Approved**

**Charles Breen, Approved with Conditions**

Two fire details will be required contact Fire Prevention. Fire Prevention will also need to approve the live fire layout and issue a permit.

**CS Traffic and Parking, Approved**

**Timothy Mitsakis, Approved**

**Eric Weisman, Approved**

**Kimberly M. Wells, Approved**