



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

February 13, 2019
REPORT OF THE LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Mary Jo Rossetti	Chair	Present	
Wilfred N. Mbah	Vice Chair	Present	
Jefferson Thomas ("J.T.") Scott	Ward Two City Councilor	Present	

Others present: John Long - City Clerk, James Aurillio - ISD, Kim Wells - Assistant Clerk of Committees.

The meeting took place in the Committee Room and was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Rossetti and adjourned at 6:32 PM.

Approval of the January 23, 2019 Minutes

RESULT:	ACCEPTED
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PUBLIC HEARING re: Top Speed Vehicles, 631 Somerville Ave. Rodrigo Lunardi, owner of Top Speed Vehicles Inc. shared that he applied for this license in November and would like to start working selling cars. He needs the license in order to get financing from banks.

207310: New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Top Speed Vehicles, 631 Somerville Ave, 6 cars outside, 8 inside.

Chair Rossetti asked how long Mr. Lunardi has owned the facility and it has been approximately 4 months. There is currently a mechanic shop as a separate part of the location, a business which Mr. Lunardi is not involved in. Mr. Aurilio shared photos where he observed that there were 10 vehicles on the lot. Mr. Lunardi responded that those belong to the mechanic shop and once the dealership is in business, the vehicles will be in the proper places. Chair Rossetti also shared photos showing that the placement of the 6 cars outside would not allow for access in and out. Mr. Lunardi stated that they would be moved into the garage by the mechanic. Mr. Aurilio confirmed that as long as the parking plan is followed, there is sufficient space for the vehicles requested. Councilor Scott confirmed that the garage space is allowed 14 vehicles inside and zero outside, and voiced concern about how all of the vehicles would be managed.

Councilor Scott also called attention to the hours of operation requested and Mr. Lunardi stated that he would confirm to the standard hours. Consistent with the hours of the adjacent business and other Somerville businesses, the hours will be 8am-6pm Monday through Friday and 8am-2pm on Saturday.

Chair Rossetti asked for confirmation that these licenses renew annually and Mr. Long confirmed that they renew annually on December 31st. Councilor Scott asked for confirmation that the previous business in this space has not applied for renewal, and Mr. Long confirmed that is correct.

Councilor Mbah shared a concern about parking and urged Mr. Lunardi to conform to the required number of vehicles and to be a good neighbor.

Chair Rossetti recommended approval and it was approved unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED
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207431: Public Event License, Lupus Research Alliance Walk with Us to Cure Lupus, Assembly Row and Mystic River Reservation, Jun 1, 6AM-1PM.

Chair Rossetti noted that this event has taken place two previous years. Mr. Long shared that the Communications department has reviewed and feels this can move forward. Chair Rossetti also noted that the Councilor from the Ward does not have any objections.

Councilor Mbah moved for approval and it was approved unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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Handout:

- Photos (with 207310)