

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL25-000117

File #: 25-016401

Event Name: Italian Flag Raising

Business Name: SOIA - Office of Immigrant Affairs

Application Type: Public Event/Special Alcohol License

Location: 42 CROSS ST

APPLICANT

Company Name: SOIA - Office of Immigrant Affairs

Contact Name: Karim L. Razzaz

Business Address:

Home Address:

42 Cross St
Somerville, MA 02145

Work Phone:

Home Phone:

Email: krzzaz@somervillema.gov

of days: 1

Public Event: Yes

Does this event occupy a public space or significantly affect nearby residents?: Yes

Are you the party applying for the Public Event License?: Yes

Does this event include alcohol service?: No

Describe the location in detail: City Hall Concourse(93 Highland Ave)

In the last 5 years, have you been found guilty, liable, or responsible, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, for any violation of the City Wage Theft Ordinance or any State or Federal laws or regulations regulating the payment of wages? [City Wage Theft Ordinance](#): No

Date: 10/09/2025

Event Setup Begins: 04:30 PM

Start Time: 05:00 PM

End Time: 06:00 PM

Event Cleanup Ends: 06:30 PM

Do You Have a Proposed Rain Date for Your Public Event?: No

Organization name; if none, your name: SOIA

Describe any social or cultural benefits of this event for Somerville residents : The Italian flag raising in Somerville celebrates the rich heritage and contributions of Italian-American residents, fostering pride, cultural appreciation, and community connection. It promotes inclusion, encourages cross-cultural understanding, and brings people together to honor the city's diverse history in a shared public space.

Describe any financial benefits of this event for Somerville businesses or organizations: N/A

What is the budget for this event?: N/A

Complete Mailing Address : 42 Cross St. Somerville, MA 02145

Contact name for follow-up questions (Will be available to the public): Karim L. Razzaz

Email: krzzaz@somervillema.gov

Phone (Will be available to the public): 857-270-4740

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Describe the Event: The Italian flag-raising event in Somerville is a community gathering where city officials and residents come together to celebrate Italian heritage. The ceremony includes speeches, raising the Italian flag, and connecting with neighbors. It's a festive way to honor tradition and strengthen community bonds.

Describe any Entertainment at the Event (if none, type None): None

Describe any tents, inflatables, or other temporary structures to be used (if none, type None): One or two tents may be needed

Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants: None

Estimated maximum attendance at one time : 50-100

Estimated total number of people attending: 50-100

Estimated total number of Somerville residents attending : 50-100

Maximum number of attendees you will accommodate: 100

Attendee fees or suggested donations : None

Will this event be open to the public?: Yes

Describe your outreach/publicity: Sharing the event flyer through SOIA outreach and communications channels

Will food be served?: No

Will a grill/open-flame device be used? : No

Will any streets be blocked? : No

Will any sidewalks be blocked? : No

Will any public parks be used? : No

Has this event occurred in the last two years? : Yes

If yes, prior dates : Oct 3rd, 2024

Police Detail : No

Parking for Attendees : Yes

If yes, describe:: It would be great if we could ease the street parking restrictions around City Hall

Restrooms : No

Liability Insurance : No

Approval Conditions:

Reviewer: CS Mayor, Mayor's Office, Approved

Reviewer: Kevin Roche, Engineering, Approved

Reviewer: CS Traffic and Parking, Traffic and Parking, Approved

Reviewer: Eric Weisman, Public Works, Approved

Reviewer: Jesse Moos, Engineering, Complete

Reviewer: Charles Breen, Fire Prevention, Approved

Reviewer: Mackenzie Richardson, Police, Approved

Reviewer: Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk, Approved