

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL24-000006

File #: 24-002066

Application for: Public Event

Organization name: Somerville Arts Council

Description: PorchFest is a traditional approach with bands performing on local porches, while guests move through the city. This event is decentralized efforts among bands neighborhoods and community--- this is not a festival per se. The intent is to showcase Somerville's musical talent.

Date(s): Saturday, May 11, 2024

Setup starts at (time): 11am

Cleanup after the event ends at (time): 7pm

Entertainment: Live Music

Attendees:

Max attendance at one time: 1,000

Maximum attendees accommodated: 5000

Attendee fees or suggested donations: free

Social or cultural benefits:

PorchFest is an opportunity to showcase local talent. This citywide event provides space and time for all level musicians to perform from the comfort of their porch. Many musicians do not have proper spaces in Somerville to play or rehearse. This event give everyone the opportunity to play outdoors.

Event Contact: Iaritza Menjivar

Event name: PorchFest

Location: Citywide

Rain date(s): Sunday, May 12, 2024

Event starts at (time): 12pm

Event ends at (time): 6pm

Temporary Structures: We will work with city and DPW in placing portajohns and extra trash bins around the city.

Total people attending: 5000

Total Somerville residents attending: 4000

What is your budget for this event: 1,000

Financial benefits:

PorchFest brings the community together and out into the neighborhoods. We have collected feedback from businesses that PorchFest is one of their busiest business days.

Event Contact Phone: 617-625-6600 x2985

Event Information	Yes/No	If yes, Describe
Open to the public?	Yes	Social media, Newsletter, Press Release
Food served?	No	
Caterer used?		
Alcohol served?	No	
Grill/open-flame device used?	No	
Streets blocked?	No	
Sidewalks blocked?	No	
Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants		We will provide information on how each porch / band host can keep the sidewalks clear for participants. In our form we ask bands to describe if there locations are accessible or not.
Arrangements:		
Police Detail:	Yes	We will work with police to make sure there is crowd control and sidewalks and streets remain clear and safe.
Parking (for Attendees)?	No	
Restrooms?	Yes	We will work with City DPW to place portajohns around the city.
Liability Insurance?	No	

Will any public parks be used?	No	
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	Yes	May 14, 2022, May 13, 2023

Approval Conditions:

Approved By:

CS Mayor, Approved

Albert Bargoot, Approved

Kevin Roche, Approved

Charles Breen, Approved

CS Traffic and Parking, Approved

Eric Weisman, Approved

Timothy Misakis, Approved

Kimberly M. Wells, Approved