

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL26-00052

File #: 26-012917

Event Name: Juneteenth Flag Raising

Business Name: Department of Racial and Social Justice, City of Somerville

Application Type: Public Event License

Location: 93 HIGHLAND AVE

APPLICANT

Company Name: Department of Racial and Social Justice for the City of Some

Contact Name: Catherine Nakato

Business Address:

167 Holland Street, Somerville, MA, 02145
Somerville, MA 02145

Home Address:

Work Phone:

Email: cnakato@somervillema.gov

Home Phone:

of days: 1

Does this event occupy a public space or significantly affect nearby residents?: No

Describe the location in detail: In the parking lot of City Hall(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: 06/16/2026

Event Setup Begins: 11:00 AM

Start Time: 12:00 PM

End Time: 01:00 PM

Event Cleanup Ends: 01:30 PM

Do You Have a Proposed Rain Date for Your Public Event?: Yes

Date: 06/17/2026

Start Time: 01:00 PM

End Time: 02:00 PM

Organization name; if none, your name: Department of Racial and Social Justice for the City of Somerville

Describe any social or cultural benefits of this event for Somerville residents : Juneteenth, celebrated annually on June 19, marks the day in 1865 when federal troops enforced the Emancipation Proclamation in Texas, effectively ending slavery in the United States.

Describe any financial benefits of this event for Somerville businesses or organizations: No

What is the budget for this event?: \$1000

Complete Mailing Address : 167 Holland Street Somerville, MA

Contact name for follow-up questions (Will be available to the public): Catherine Nakato

Email: cnakato@somervillema.gov

Phone (Will be available to the public): 8572894263

Event Name : Juneteenth Flag Raising

Describe the Event: The event will be a short program comprised of singing the Negro National Anthem, speech, and of raising the flag.

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

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

Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants: Accessible parking spots to be reserved for those in need.

Estimated maximum attendance at one time : 60

Estimated total number of people attending: 60

Estimated total number of Somerville residents attending : 50

Maximum number of attendees you will accommodate: 60

Attendee fees or suggested donations : No

Will food be served?: Yes

If yes, describe:: Light refreshments, individuals can quickly pick up and go

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

Will any streets be blocked? : No

Will any sidewalks be blocked? : Yes

If yes, describe:: City Hall Concourse to be blocked off.

Will any public parks be used? : No

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

If yes, prior dates : June 16th, 2025

Police Detail : No

Parking for Attendees : Yes

If yes, describe:: City lot

Restrooms : Yes

If yes, please describe the restrooms being provided, and if you are providing portable toilets, state how they will be delivered and removed:: City Hall

Liability Insurance : No

Approval Conditions:

Reviewer: Maureen Lee, ISD Health, Approved with Conditions

1. ISD Health has approved with the condition a Temporary Food License is submitted on Citizenserve. If assistance is needed with the application, please contact Arturo Vazques at avazquez@somervillema.gov.

Reviewer: CS Mayor, Mayor's Office, Approved

Reviewer: Kevin Roche, Engineering, Approved

Reviewer: Eric Weisman, Public Works, Approved

Reviewer: Charles Breen, Fire Prevention, Approved

Reviewer: Suzanne Rinfret, Traffic and Parking, Approved

Reviewer: Mackenzie Richardson, Police, Approved

Reviewer: Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk, Approved

Reviewer: Jesse Moos, Engineering, Complete