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BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS' MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

By Remote Participation Via Zoom

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This meeting is being held remotely in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, adopted by the Massachusetts General Court and approved by the Governor.

Public Testimony Matters

The following are matters that the Chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed, and for which public testimony may be taken. The public may also submit comments on any of the below via email at license@cambridgema.gov (please reference the application number in your email).

- 1. Application #264609** Shojo Cambridge LLC d/b/a Shojo, 425 Massachusetts Avenue, Unit 4B, Common Victualler All-Alcohol License #193948, to add entertainment categories to its current license: music above conversation level for indoors, trivia and poetry readings for indoors, and background music at or below conversation level for outdoor area.
- 2. Application #1177465** MSKO, LLC d/b/a Tilde, 2376 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler Malt and Wine License #279043, to add non-amplified live music and trivia to their entertainment license.
- 3. Disciplinary** [continued from July 29, 2025, meeting] Mt. Auburn Memorial Post #8818/VFW Of USA, d/b/a VFW Post #8818, 688 Huron Avenue, All Alcohol License #11701, for allegedly failing to update its officers/directors, in violation of M.G.L. c. 138, §§ 1, 15A, 64, and Board Rules 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 5.1, 5.5, 5.6, 5B.2, 13.1.
- 4. Disciplinary** Casella Waste Services, Solid Waste Hauler Permit #14070, for three alleged violations of C.M.C. 8.16.080(e), loading and unloading outside allowable hours at 2235 Massachusetts Avenue on May 24, 2025 (8:00 a.m.), July 24, 2025 (6:40 a.m.), and August 4, 2025 (6:50 a.m.).
- 5. Disciplinary** Property ownership of 2235 Massachusetts Avenue, for allowing three alleged violations of C.M.C. 8.16.080(e), loading and unloading by Casella Waste Systems at 2235 Massachusetts Avenue on May 24, 2025 (8:00 a.m.), July 24, 2025 (6:40 a.m.), and August 4, 2025 (6:50 a.m.).
- 6. Disciplinary** Win Waste Innovations of Northern New England, Solid Waste Hauler Permit #273096, for alleged violation of CMC 8.16.080(e), loading and unloading outside allowable hours at 9-11 Chester Street on July 28, 2025 (6:14 a.m.).
- 7. Disciplinary** [continued from July 29, 2025, meeting] New Mulan Restaurant, Inc., d/b/a Mulan Restaurant, 228 Broadway, Wine & Malt Common Victualler License #185250, for allegedly failing to install and maintain a grease-digesting bacterial system with a dispensing pump and failing to clean

and maintain grease traps so that the wastewater does not exceed the 300 mg/L FOG limits, in violation of M.G.L. c. 138, §§ 12, 23, and 64; M.G.L. c. 140; and Board's Rules 2.3, 2.5, 5.1, 5.3, 13.1, 13.2, and 14.

Administrative Matters

The following are matters which the Chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed without accepting, soliciting, or taking public testimony at the hearing. Anyone wishing to be heard on the below should contact the Board at least 24 hours prior to the hearing and/or submit your statement in writing to License@cambridgema.gov.

8. Application #1178692 Roy & Kumar Inc. d/b/a Curry Chapter, 18 Eliot Street, for a Common Victualler License and Entertainment License. Proposed manager Rajinder Kumar of a premises described as: On the ground floor of the building, occupying a total area of approximately 2,000 square feet. The kitchen is located at the rear left corner of the restaurant and includes an attached storage area and a walk-in cooler for food and beverage inventory. There is one front entrance for patrons and both front and rear emergency exits for safety and staff access. Proposed hours 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. all days with recorded music at or below conversation level. This location was previously licensed.

9. Application #1161189 La Famiglia Yummy, LLC d/b/a La Famiglia Yummy, for a Hawker/Peddler License with proposed manager Nabil Bouabid to sell pizza, water, and soda, stationary on private property.

10. Application #1173907 CC's Lil Shop d/b/a CC's Lil Shop, 1815 Massachusetts Avenue, for a Common Victualler License with proposed manager Meng Qi Hurst, of a premises described as: total of 590 square feet, located on the first floor of the building, and the room number is 110R. It features a dining area with seating for up to 7 guests. The layout consists of two parts accessible to the public: the main dining area and the kitchen. The kitchen is located at the rear of the premises, adjacent to the dining area. Storage space is incorporated within the kitchen area. The main entrance and exit are at the front of the building, opening directly onto the street, with an additional rear exit available through the kitchen. Proposed hours 12:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. all days. The location was previously licensed.

11. Application #1169731 Boston Ice Cream Truck, d/b/a Boston Ice Cream Truck, for a Hawker/Peddler License. Proposed manager Mahmoud Alkhatatbeh to sell packaged ice cream, water, and soda.

12. Application #1174897 Patrick Martin, Crown Castle Fiber LLC, for a Special Noise Variance from 9/5/25 – 9/6/25, (alt. 10/3/25 – 10/4/25), at 100 Pacific Street, from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m., for fiber optic cable splicing and testing using one truck. The variance is sought due to limit service interruption to local business and residents.

13. Application #1177666, Bill Conway, Zayo, for a Special Noise Variance from 8/21/25 – 8/22/25, (alt. 8/28/25 – 8/29/25), at 300 Binney St, from 6:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m., for fiber optic cable splicing using one truck. The variance is sought to extend the workday to accommodate the full scope of work and ensure public safety.

- 14. Board Vote** [continued for July 29, 2025, meeting] **Application #1171220** Cambridge Restaurant Partners, LLC d/b/a Ole, 11 Springfield Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11603, to add live entertainment indoors and outdoors.
- 15. Board Vote** [continued from March 25, 2025, meeting] **Disciplinary** JKFoodGroup, LLC d/b/a Little Donkey, 505 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11546, for unapproved changes to the beneficial interest holder of the license and/or failure to complete the process to get changes to beneficial process approved in violation of M. G. L. c. 138, §§ 15A, 23 and 64, and the Board's Rules 2.3, 2.5, 5.5, 5.6 and 14.
- 16. Board Vote** [continued from May 29, 2025, meeting] **Disciplinary** Hot Pot Boston 1, LLC d/b/a Happy Lamb Hot Pot, 485 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11584 for alleged failure to comply with License Commission and Department of Public Works' orders, specifically to install and maintain a grease-digesting bacterial system with a dispensing pump and to clean and maintain its grease traps so that the waste water does not exceed the 300 mg/L FOG limits, in violation of G. L. c. 138, §§ 12, 23 and 64, G. L. c. 140, and Board's Rules 2.3, 2.5, 5.1, 5.3, 13.1, 13.2 and 14.
- 17. Board Vote** [continued from May 29, 2025, meeting] **Disciplinary** Gustazo-Cuban LLC d/b/a Gustazo Cuban Café, 2067 Massachusetts Avenue, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #13535, for alleged change of corporate name and change of d/b/a without approval, in violation of M.G.L. c. 138, §§ 15A, 64; M.G.L. c. 140, § 9; 204 C.M.R. 2.05(2); and Board Rules 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 5.1, 13.1, 13.5.
- 18. Board Discussion** Review of Common Victualler License fee structure. Current structure is \$100 base license fee and \$1 per seat. Right now the \$1 seat is only calculated in terms of indoor capacity. Based on the manner in which outdoor areas are being operated (8 months of the year), it is proposed that the \$1 per seat be inclusive of all of the premises' occupancy.
- 19. Consideration of Meeting Minutes** July 3, 2025, and July 29, 2025.

One Day License Applications

The following are matters which the Chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed without accepting, soliciting, or taking public testimony at the hearing. Anyone wishing to be heard on the below should contact the Board at least 24 hours prior to the hearing and/or submit your statement in writing to License@cambridgema.gov.

- 20. Application #1174312** Laura Lewis, Essex Kitchen Catering, for a wine and malt and entertainment license at 2 Gerry's Landing on 9/20/25 from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for a birthday celebration with patrons dancing and recorded music. Expected attendance – 80.

- 21. Application #1172668** Joel Mackall for a hawker/peddler license at 31 Brattle Street on 8/23/25 (rain date 8/30/25) from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. for 1 hawker/peddler to sell educational history posters, maps and stickers.
- 22. Applications #1163423 & 1173217** Emmanuel Mervil, Everybody Gotta Eat Projects Inc., for an all alcohol, entertainment and temporary amusement license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 with rain date of 8/31/25 from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. for a cookout with DJ, live music, amplification system and bounce house. Expected attendance – 500.
- 23. Application #1164303** Paddy's Lunch, Inc. d/b/a Paddy's Lunch, 260 Walden Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11694, for an outdoor malt and entertainment license on 9/28/25 from 10:00 am. – 7:00 p.m. (set up to commence at 7:00 a.m.) for a road race and block party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ, and amplification system. Expected attendance – 600.
- 24. Application #1168785** Maurice Haynes, Abundant Life Church Cambridge, for an entertainment license at 12 Gilmore Street, on 9/21/25 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. for a block party with patrons dancing, recorded music, DJ, and amplification system. Expected attendance – 150.
- 25. Application #1173271** Michele Sprengnether for an entertainment license at 31 Chilton Street, on 9/13/25 with rain date of 9/14/25 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a block party with patrons dancing, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 60.
- 26. Application #1173573** Traci Swartz, MIT, for a hawker/peddler license at 292 Main Street, on 9/9/25 with rain date of 9/25/25 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to sell books.
- 27. Application #1173604** French Express, LLC d/b/a PRB Boulangerie, 295 Third Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #216979, for an entertainment license on 8/30/25 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for a party with patrons dancing, DJ, and amplification system. Expected attendance – 80.
- 28. Application #1174513** Harvard Square Business Association, Dx, for an entertainment license at 41 Church Street, on 9/6/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a no hype event with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, DJ, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 800.
- 29. Application #1175030** Frederick J. Balboni, Jr., Balboni Communications Group, LLC, S.S. Cosmas and Damian Society, for a malt, wine and entertainment license at 17 Porter Street, on 9/4/25, 9/5/25 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.; 9/6/25 & 9/7/25 1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. rain date 9/14/25 for a festival with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, recorded music, DJ, live music, amplification system and light show. Expected attendance – 5000.
- 30. Application #1175263** Sean Hope, 1 Hour Party Inc., for an all-alcohol license at 41 Church Street, on 9/6/25 with rain date of 9/13/25 from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (sound check) 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a no hype event. Expected attendance – 800.

- 31. Application #1175254 & 1177050** Satrick Uy, Harvard Square Philippine American Alliance, Inc., for an all alcohol, entertainment and temporary amusement license at 40 Brattle Street, on 8/30/25 with rain date of 8/31/25 from 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a Asian night market/festival with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, DJ, live music, amplification system, light show, dynamic audio/visual show live/recorded and basketball game. Expected attendance – 1500.\
- 32. Application #1175215** Janet Daniels, Harvard Kenneth C. Griffin Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, for a malt, wine and entertainment license at 1 Harvard Yard, on 8/28/25 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for an open house party with patrons dancing, DJ, and amplification system. Expected attendance – 500.
- 33. Application #1176706** Charlotte Wickert, MIT Musical Theater Guild, for an entertainment license at 48 Massachusetts Avenue, on 8/29-8/31 & 9/4-9/6/25 from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a musical performance with live music, amplification system and theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show. Expected attendance – 200.
- 34. Application #1177387** Paddy's Lunch, Inc. d/b/a Paddy's Lunch, 260 Walden Street, Common Victualler All Alcohol License #11694, for an entertainment license, on 9/19/25 from 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. for a party with patrons dancing, performers/entertainers dancing, live music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 60.
- 35. Application #1177730** Cindy Rocher, Cinsational Dining, for a hawker/peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell rice bowls.
- 36. Application #1178053** Adam Corbeil, City of Cambridge DHSP, for an entertainment license at 99 Sherman Street, on 8/20/25 with rain date of 8/21/25 from 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a charity event with recorded music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 750.
- 37. Application #1178182** Inverno Clothing d/b/a Inverno, for a hawker/peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 with rain date of 8/31/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell apparel.
- 38. Application #1178394** Ibrahima Bah, Sinkid LLC, for a hawker/peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 with rain date of 8/31/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell clothes.
- 39. Application #1178466** John Milovcic, Cigar Nowhere, for a hawker/peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell cigars.
- 40. Application #1178496** Amanda Henley, Harvard Square Business Association, for a hawker/peddler license (for 20 vendors) at Brattle Street, on 8/30/25 with rain date of 8/31/25 from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. to sell crafts, handmade items, jewelry etc.
- 41. Application #1178500** William Manley, Harvard Square Business Association, for an entertainment license at Deguglielmo Plaza, on 9/7/25 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. for a party with live music. Expected attendance – 30.

- 42. Application #1178714** Sophia Sokoloski, Harvard University, for an entertainment license at 52 Linnaean Street, on 8/31/25 from 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for a movie night with amplification system and theatrical exhibition/play/moving picture show. Expected attendance – 400.
- 43. Application #1177379** National Tay-Sachs & Allied Diseases Association d/b/a NTSAD for a special charity wine license at 575 Memorial Drive, on 11/6/25 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for a fundraising event.
- 44. Application #1178740** Esvaina Tr d/b/a Replenish Scrubs, for a hawker/peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell sugar scrubs.
- 45. Application 1172176** Figo Sun, Alatheia Church, for an entertainment license at 305 Broadway on 9/6/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a fall celebration to kick off the new school year with recorded music and amplification system. Expected attendance – 350.
- 46. Application #1176568** Figo Sun, Alatheia Church, for a one-day temporary amusement application at 305 Broadway on 9/6/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for a fall celebration to kick off the new school year with a bounce house and games. Expected attendance – 350.


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