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BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS' EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 11:45 a.m.
(Meeting Started at 11:46 a.m.)
By Remote Participation Via Microsoft Teams

This meeting was held remotely in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, adopted by the Massachusetts General Court and approved by the Governor. It was also held on an emergency basis pursuant to M. G. L. c. 30A, § 20(b) and on advice of Counsel.

Note: On August 19, 2025, the Board of License Commissioners was scheduled to have a meeting starting at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. The meeting was properly noticed pursuant to the Open Meeting Law and all steps required to have the meeting remotely were taken by the Board. Unfortunately, due to an unknown issue with the Zoom platform, the meeting was unable to start. At around 10:20 a.m. the City of Cambridge's Information Technology Department confirmed that the Zoom platform would not be available and the problem would not be resolved in time to have the meeting. Since it was unknown when the City or Board would have the capability to use Zoom again, no new meeting date and time was set and the meeting was cancelled. Since the Board's next scheduled meeting is on September 11, 2025, and there were time sensitive matters on the agenda, or matters that required a Board vote prior to September 11, pursuant to advice of counsel, they were noticed and posted as an emergency meeting for August 19, 2025 at 11:45 a.m. The notice of the emergency meeting was also posted on the License Commission's website as a new event, agenda, and a notice. One member of the public signed in at 12:01 a.m. after the meeting concluded. They were attending to hear the Board's vote on one of the Special Noise Variance applications.

Board Members: Nicole Murati Ferrer (present); Christine A. Elow (present); and Thomas Cahill, Jr. (present).

Staff Members Present: Chris O'Neil and Kris Foster.

Documents Considered: Unless otherwise indicated, all the below listed matters were considered and voted upon by the Board without public testimony. They were decided upon by the Board members' individual review of the papers/applications/matter before them. The summary of what is considered is the identifying information of the matter as listed herein.

Decisions: All decisions, unless otherwise stated, were 3-0, and by roll call.

Administrative Matters

1. 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.

Summary: Capacity sought is 40 sitting with 10 standing for a maximum of 50 persons. The floor plan provided does not show the seating/furniture set up.

Decision: Granted pending submission of floor plan showing seating and standing configurations.

2. 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.

Decision: Granted.

3. 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.

Decision: Granted.

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

Decision: Granted.

5. 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 spicing and testing using one truck. The variance is sought due to limit service interruption to local business and residents.

Decision: Granted.

6. 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 Street, 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.

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Decision: Granted.

One Day License Applications

Note: Matters listed on the agenda as #7, 11, 12, 15, 19-22, 24-33, 38, 39, 41-50 were considered independently but voted upon together.

7. 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.

Decision: Granted.

8. 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.

Decision: Granted with amended start time of 10:00 a.m. per City permit.

9. 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.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that: there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendees; the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way; and alcohol sales or consumption cannot commence until 11:00 a.m.

10. 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.

Decision: Granted with the conditions that: there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendees; and the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way.

11. 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.

Decision: Granted.

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12. 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.

Decision: Granted.

13. 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.

Decision: Granted; applicant to request MIT police detail.

14. 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.

Decision: Granted with the amendment and condition that the DJ entertainment and music is approved for the indoor area only.

15. 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.

Decision: Granted.

16. 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.

Decision: Granted, pending submission of City permits and subject to any conditions and modifications therein and map of event, and with the conditions that: there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendees; and the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way.

17. 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.

Summary: Also adding Malieka Brown as a responsible person since the event is long, and the applicant wanted additional support.

Decision: Granted with the condition that the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way.

18. 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.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. per City permit, may commence set up at 3:00 p.m., and the conditions that: there must be a system implemented identifying of legal drinking age attendees; and the area where the alcohol is served, sold and consumed must be enclosed from the public way.

19. 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.

Decision: Granted.

20. 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.

Decision: Granted.

21. 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.

Decision: Granted.

22. 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.

Decision: Granted.

23. 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.

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Decision: Granted with amended end time of 10:00 p.m. per City permit; no license fee.

24. 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.

Decision: Granted.

25. 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.

Decision: Granted.

26. 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.

Decision: Granted.

27. 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.

Decision: Granted.

28. 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.

Decision: Granted.

29. 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.

Decision: Granted.

30. 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.

Decision: Granted.

31. 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.

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Decision: Granted.

32. 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.

Decision: Granted.

33. 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.

Decision: Granted.

34. Applications #1179037 & 1179038 S.S. Cosmas and Damien Society for a hawker/peddler license (for 28 vendors) and temporary amusement license at 17 Porter Street, on 9/4 - 9/7/25 from 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. (9/4 & 9/5) 1:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. (9/6) 1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (9/7) for a festival with food, arts & crafts, clothing, soap, lotions, novelties, rides and games.

Decision: Granted pending submission of City permit and subject to any conditions and modifications therein.

35. Application #1178950 Chubby Chickpea Mobile d/b/a The Chubby Chickpea, for a hawker/peddler license at 320 Morgan Avenue, on 8/21/25 with rain date of 8/27/25 from 4:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. to sell food.

Decision: Granted with amended start time of 5:30 p.m. per permission letter.

36. Application #1179577 Miguel Tejada, Harvard College Events Board, for an entertainment license at Harvard Old Yard/1 Harvard Yard on 9/5/25 from 2:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. for a Concert/Outdoor Welcome Back Event with patrons/performers dancing, live music, DJ, amplification system, dynamic/audio visual/light show. Expected attendance – 4998.

Decision: Granted with amended hours of 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. per event registration form.

37. Application #1179429 Veer Dedhia, Boston Intergenerational Dance Advocates, for an entertainment license at Cambridge Masonic Hall, 1950 Massachusetts Avenue, on 9/7, 21, 28/25, 10/5, 19, 26/25, 11/2, 16, 23, 30/25, and 12/21, 28/25, from 2:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. for a Social Dance with live amplified music and patrons dancing. Expected attendance – 200. Applicant is also requesting a fee waiver or reduction as the event is by donation only.

Summary: The requested hours are 2:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. The fee reduction has been granted in the past for this event.

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Decision: Granted; fee will be a one-time entertainment license fee.

38. Application #1179411 Robert Scuzzarella, Industry Lab, LLC, for an entertainment license at the parking lot of 1280 Cambridge Street, on 8/29/25 (alt. 8/30/25) from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for an outdoor concert with live amplified music. Expected attendance – 50.

Decision: Granted.

39. Application #1179697 Nicola Williams, Cambridge Carnival International, Inc., for an entertainment license at University Park on Sydney Street on 9/7/25 (alt. 9/28/25) from 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. for the 31st Annual Cambridge Carnival International Festival with live/recorded/amplified music, and patrons/performers dancing. Expected attendance – 20,000.

Decision: Granted.

40. Application #1179300 Autumn Richard, Flagship Pioneering, for a wine and malt license at 140 First Street on 8/19/25 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. for a team building event. Expected attendance – 20.

Decision: Granted with the condition that the area where the alcohol is served and consumed is enclosed from the public way.

41. **Application #1179316** Lauriane Wood, Arlieugraphics, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street on 8/24/25 (alt. 8/25/25) from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell handmade tumblers and journals.

Decision: Granted.

Application #1179249 Devin McClain, Cambridge Collective LLC, for a hawker-peddler license 42. at Green Rose Heritage Park, 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. to sell shirts, hoodies and clothing.

Decision: Granted.

Application #1179232 Reginald Meneus, STATIC RESEARCH LABS LLC d/b/a The Cement 43. Company, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell headwear and apparel.

Decision: Granted.

Application #1179220 Lutchmie Jaghoo, Craves, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell T-shirts.

Decision: Granted.

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45. Application #1179212 James Mackey, Dffrnt Kloth! LLC, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell hoodies, shirts, hats, tracksuits, & jerseys.

Decision: Granted.

46. Application #1179563 Lyn Johnson, Elcee Jay LLC d/b/a Elcee Jay Creations, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 (alt. 8/31/25) from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell natural skin care and CBD salves and creams.

Decision: Granted.

47. Application #1179538 Josiah Reynoso, PolarWrld, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell clothing.

Decision: Granted.

48. Application #1178182 Reginald Edge, Inverno Clothing, for a hawker-peddler license for two vendors at 155 Harvard Street, on 8/24/25 from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell apparel.

Decision: Granted.

49. Application #1179344 Chanda Williams, KQs BUTTAs, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street on 8/24/25 (alt. 8/31/25) from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell personal care products.

Decision: Granted.

50. Application #1179340 Treju Rice, Deuce-Made it, for a hawker-peddler license at 155 Harvard Street on 8/24/25 (alt. 8/25/25) from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to sell wood artwork and paper art.

Decision: Granted.

By the Board of License Commissioners

Minutes Approved: September 11, 2025

Minutes Posted: September 11, 2025

Thomas Cahill, Jr., Fire Chief

Christine Elow, Police Commissioner