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LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING

6:00 P.M.

Thursday, May 15, 2025 Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2025, via ZOOM. Present were, Commissioners Jeffrey Charnel, Robert Simpson, Scott D. Uhlman, Janet Landerholm, Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho, Lt. David Farrell, and Deputy Chief Brendan Weeks.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular License Commission Meeting of April 17, 2025 and the Special Meeting of April 7, 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simspon to approve the previously mentioned meeting of April 17, 2025, and Special Meeting of April 7, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents for the month of May 2025; Lieuts. David Farrell, and William Schlieman; Sgts. Matthew Graham, Rich Colon and Mark Duhamel; Captain John Hallisey and William Hallisey; Dets. Thomas Hyland, Ryan Quirk, Michael Micciche, George Almeida, Ernie Bell, Santiago Cirino, Tim Donahue, Joe Miranda, Matt Murphy, Shannon O' Donnell, Mike Bunker, William Devine, Matt Farrell, Frank Lopez, Gary Mercurio, Chris Perez, Derek Salamone.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the license agents as listed for the month of May 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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- 3. Hearing on a request from Tania & David Bakery, Inc., dba Tania & David Bakery for a Common Victualer license at 100 Main Street, Brockton, MA.
- 4. Hearing on a request from Brockton Council on Aging for a Special Event Permit for an Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day March to be held on June 12, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Present was Mrs. Janice Fitzgerald of 26 Homesite Road, Brockton, MA.

Mrs. Fitzgerald stated that she is seeking a permit for their Annual World Elder Abuse March. They have been doing the event well over 15 years, and it gives them a chance to get out into the community to show that they will not tolerate elder abuse. The march starts at the Council on Aging and proceeds to Old Colony Elder Services and back to the Council on Aging for an awards ceremony with speakers. They would like to keep the event going. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Simpson yielded. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department and asked that they coordinate with Captain Porcaro for an escort cruiser. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objections from the Fire Department. Chairman Charnel informed the board that this event has been going on for quite some time and they have never had issues.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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5. Hearing on a request from Brockton Public Schools for a Special Event Permit for the 126th Annual Huntington Day Parade to be held on May 30, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Present was Ms. Karen Spaulding of 21 Calypso Drive, Brockton, MA.

Ms. Spaulding stated that she is the Assistant Superintendent for the Brockton Public Schools and they will be hosting the 126th Annual marching of the Huntington Parade. Step off is at 10:30 a.m. with students from the Gilmore, Downey, Promise and all of the middle school bands, as well as the high school. Ms. Spaulding thanked Police and Fire for their supporting efforts. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

The Commissioners yielded. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department and asked her to coordinate with Captain Porcaro. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objection from the Fire Department. Chairman Charnel stated the event has gone on every year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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6. Hearing on a request from Miller Auto Leasing Co. for a Transfer of a Class I Dealers license at 1906 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Attorney Scott Rubin of 71 Legion Parkway, Brockton, MA, Mr. Marcos Pagan of 75 Old Rochester Road, NH, and Mr. Mark J. Miller of 1596 Rt. 38, Lumberton, NJ.

Attorney Rubin stated that his clients will be selling used trucks, and Isuzu trucks. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department and stated everything is in order and the drawings were well done. Deputy Chief Weeks stated that Deputy Gurney went out for an inspection and did find missing tiles in the ceilings. He will need to have a fire protection engineer do a walk-through per section 1162.

Chairman Charnel stated that he has questions with the plot plan layout and asked them if they needed to increase the space? They replied, no because the lot size will accommodate the FI50 trucks, and most of the trucks are between 13, 14, 26 in size. Commissioner Uhlman stated the lot meets the requirements of 9x20 and 11x30 for larger vehicles. The plot plan does say 41 spots for display is that enough? There are 109 spaces on the plan, 26 around the building and 83 for display, how many are for sale? The fire marshal was ok with what they are doing. Commissioner Simpson yielded.

A motion was made by Chairman Charnel to downgrade the Class I Dealers license to a Class II Dealers license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Transfer of the Class II Dealers license pending inspections. The motion was seconded by Chairman Charnel and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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7. Hearing on a request from African American Association for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages and Special Event Permit for a Juneteenth Celebration to be held at the Brockton Fairgrounds, on June 14, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present was Mrs. Cynthia Hodges of 17 Stebbins Avenue, Brockton, MA, and Ms. Jamie Hodges of 17 Stebbins Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Mrs. Hodges sated that she and her daughter do a Juneteenth event at the fairgrounds across from the Harbor one. There will be vendors, food, and entertainment, it is a community event to bring everyone together to have a good time. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Mr. Eval Silveira of 115 Cypress Drive, Brockton, MA, came forward in favor of the event. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mrs. Hodges if she has a letter from the Mr. Carney allowing the use of the property?

Mrs. Hodges replied, that she usually deals with Sue Rodrigues, but the event was approved by Chris Carney and she can get something in writing. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objections from the Fire Department, and suggested 1 Fire watch detail for the event. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department, and asked Mrs. Hodges if in fact they are expecting 500 people? Chairman Charnel stated that he would like to request that they have 1 police detail. Mrs. Hodges informed the Deputy Chief that the Fire Department will have a table at the event, and asked him if she still needs a detail?

Deputy Chief Weeks replied, he was not aware that they were going to have a table at the event, and he would be ok with dropping the detail, however if Police and Fire do not attend he would like to see a detail. Mrs. Hodges stated Hawkeye will fence in the area for them. Commissioner Simpson yielded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit pending they work with Police and Fire on the detail recommendations. If they do not have tables at the event they must secure details, and the beer and wine must be contained within the fenced in area. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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8. Hearing on a request from Dr. Ellie Paris, LLC for a Special Event Permit for a Book and Ice Cream Festival to be held at 278 Main Street, on June 1, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present was no one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to move the agenda item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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9. Hearing on a request from Saint Patrick Parish, for a Special Event Permit for a Multicultural Family Festival to be held at 335 Main Street, on June 8, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present was Ms. Mirian Porter of 440 Battles Street, Extension, Brockton, MA.

Ms. Porter stated that the parishioners would like to gather together as a family in the parking lot of the parish. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Deputy Chief Weeks stated he found no working lights on the exit signs and it is necessary for people to use the restrooms, and they have not been able to reinspect. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permit pending final approval from the Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

10. Hearing on a request from Club National Franco-American for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for an Annual Barbecue to be held at 170 Court Street, on August 2, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Present was no one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to move the agenda item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ulman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

11. Hearing on a request from Hartley's Jamaican Restaurant for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for an Outside Cookout to be held at 748 North Main Street, on August 2, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Present was Mrs. Flore and Mr. Hartley Thompson of 15 Stevens Terrace, Randolph, MA.

Chairman Charnel asked Mr. and Mrs. Thompson to inform the board on their event. Mr. and Mrs. Thomson stated they would like to host a cookout outdoors and they are expecting between 100-150 people. They will have access to the restrooms, and porta potty's will be available as well. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked them where they will be purchasing their alcohol? They replied, that they are working with a sales representative who will deliver and pickup when they are done.

Commissioner Uhlman also asked them how they would be blocking off the parking lot? He knows that the building next door owns 8 feet of their parking lot. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson replied, they will use the corner and will get police details. They do not use the driveway and will use cars or jersey barriers. Deputy Chief Weeks stated as long as they get a propane permit he is satisfied. Lt Farrell had no objections from the Police Department and asked that they have 1 police detail from 7-11 p.m., and use jersey barriers or cars. Chairman Charnel replied, he agrees he loves the food and they do a great job. Commissioner Simpson stated he saw live entertainment on the application and asked them how long they would be playing music? There are three decker homes that back the lot.

They replied, they have a DJ playing music from 7-11 p.m. He asked them if there will be a stage? Commissioner Simpson stated the board can address these issues when they come before the board for the Special Event license. Chairman Charnel stated they do abut three decker homes. They replied, that they spoke to the neighbors about the event and they said they would attend.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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12. Hearing on a request from Brockton Arts, Inc. for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Movie Night to be held at Enso Gallery- 86 Centre Street, on June 6, 2025, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Jeremy Marcellus of 38 Nelson Drive, Randolph, MA.

Chairman Charnel asked Mr. Marcellus what is going on at the movie nights? Mr. Marcellus stated the event is part of their annual movie night's curated by Mr. Rollie Blanchette. They are expecting between 10-25 people and would like to offer them beer and wine as well as water and tea. They include free popcorn for everyone, and the event is free and open to the public. They have held the movie night's every month for a year. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Commissioners Simpson and Uhlman yielded. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objections and requested a crowd manager. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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13. Hearing on a request from DDO New England, LLC, for a Common Victualer license and Late-Night Business Permit at 715 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Steve Torrani of 31 Lucy Lane, Somerset, MA.

Mr. Torrani stated he is the Regional Director for DDO Foods, and they own Taco Bell. They have one in Brockton already on Belmont Street, and they are building a new one on Crescent Street. They would like to operate the same hours they have on Belmont Street, which typically opens at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast and closes at 2:00 a.m., and they are looking to close at 2:00 a.m., at the new location. The location on Belmont Street has been very successful for them and the city with no incidents that he knows of, and he is hoping the new location will be just as successful for them and the city. Chairman Charnel stated the only issue he had with them is they were closing at 4:00 a.m.

Mr. Torrani replied, he realized that after awhile and did not know they couldn't, after they found out they have been compliant. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Silvia if they applied for an Entertainment license? Silvia replied, no. He stated that they subscribe to Fluid Media for back ground music, and tv's and if that is the case they need a license for that. He replied, that Fluid Media is dining room music. Commissioner Uhlman replied, that is correct and you need an Entertainment license. He replied, they will make sure and do that. There were no objections from Police or Fire.

Chairman Charnel stated the only issue he knows of is the misunderstanding in operating hours in the city. It is a late-night business, but not a 24-hour business. Commissioner Landerholm wanted to clarify that the dining room closes at 11:00 p.m., and only the drive-thru is open until 2:00 a.m. Mr. Torrani replied, he believes their dining room currently closes at midnight, he is not sure if there are restrictions on that, but they do not keep their dining room open until 2:00 a.m. Both locations have a pick-up window, so people can walk up and pick-up their orders because the dining room is not open. Commissioner Landerholm stated they have it listed on the application as closing at 11:00 p.m. He replied, he did not realize that was on there, if that is what they need to do it is not a problem.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Common Victualer license with 16 seats and Late-Night Business Permit with a closing hour of 11:00 p.m. and drive-thru at 2:00 a.m., applicant must apply for an Entertainment license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

14. Hearing on a request from Joao F. Alves, dba London's Shake Shack for a Common Victualer license at 1047 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Joao Alves of 405 Cherry Street, Bridgewater, MA.

Chairman Charnel asked Mr. Alves to let the board know what is going on with the application. Mr. Alves stated he is looking for a license for 1047 Main Street. They are trying to open a smoothie and milkshake shop. He would like to request a change in his seating request to the maximum capacity allowed for a single bathroom building. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Chairman Charnel had Silvia read the letter from Ward 3 Councilor Philip Griffin in to the record. Chairman Charnel yielded. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objections to the business, however when his inspectors were there the other day they found that the building had no power, and no exit signs. The previous owner demolished the kitchen, so there is some unfinished construction due to that. There is a plumbing permit that has been processed, but has not been issued yet. He would want a resolution on all of the issues before going further, otherwise he has no objections. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

Commissioner Landerholm stated she drove by there the other night and noticed that there was a gated and fenced off area on the side of the building and asked if it was part of his lot too? Mr. Alves replied, yes, the lot is part of the lease agreement. She stated she saw a food truck there a Khalil's and asked him if that was also his? He replied, it is a different entity that is not attached to this business. She stated, but it is in your parking lot. He replied, temporarily. She asked him if it will not be there when he opens? He replied, they are dealing with the issue separately, and once it is resolved they will decide whether it stays or will be removed. Commissioner Landerholm stated she does not understand. Chairman Charnel interjected and stated the food truck is a separate matter that is not connected to this matter.

Mr. Alves agreed the food truck is not connected to this matter whatsoever. Commissioner Landerholm stated she wanted to be clear that it was not his food truck. He replied, it is his food truck, but it is not connected to this business. Chairman Charnel stated the application is missing a lot of detail and suggested the board continue the matter to the next meeting, once we have all the details that are needed. We currently do not have a lease agreement, seating plan, and the building is in disrepair. There were no permits pulled and there is the issue that Commissioner Landerholm was discussing about a food truck that is encroaching the property, that has not been deemed viable at this time.

He thinks the board should allow the applicant to get all the proper documentations and then the board can continue the matter without findings so they can return.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to postpone to the next meeting pending the License Commission receives all documentation prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

15. Hearing on a request from Brockton Beer Company, LLC, dba Brockton Beer Company for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Beer Garden to be held at lot B1- June to October, 2025, from

Thursdays 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Eval Silveira of 115 Cypress Drive, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Silveira stated they are looking to bring back the beer garden where the community can come together with karaoke, and some live music. The area will be fenced in same as last year. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Silveira if he has submitted the liquor liability and letter from the city giving them permission to use the lot? He replied, they have a meeting scheduled next week to get the approval to use the lot. Deputy Chief Weeks had no objections and requested they have a crowd manager present. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel stated he attended a few events last year and it was very well run and the ownership is at most events.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permit pending agreement with the city and liquor liability insurance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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Renewal of a Common Victualer license.
Tom Tom Restaurant, LLC, 21 Torrey Street, Brockton, MA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Common Victualer license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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17. Hearing on a request from Dr. Ellie Paris, LLC for a Special Event Permit for a Book and Ice Cream Festival to be held at 335 Main Street, on June 8, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present was Dr. Ellie Paris of 187 North Main Street, New Bedford, MA.

Dr. Paris stated she is trying to host the first ice cream and book festival and they are looking to foster a friendly family event. They are looking to attract 100-200 people, there will be no alcohol served at the event and there will be live entertainment. They will have reading competitions, talent shows and acoustic talent shows. This is an innovative way to engage the community and she is excited to work with all the non-profits to create a culture of inclusion. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Simpson asked her if the event is being held in the street? She replied yes, the street adjacent to the shop, she believes it is Maple Avenue and it is a one-way street. The Fire Department

stopped by the other day and told her all she needed was a cone to block off the street, and she would have to obtain a propane permit. She would also like to postpone the date to June 29, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The board informed her that she would need to get approval from the Traffic Commission to close the street to traffic, as well as police detail. Is there a stage being used for the shows? She replied, they are using risers for the readings, and talent shows.

Deputy Chief Weeks asked her who told her that cones were sufficient enough to block off the street? He did speak to her recently about the need for a physical barrier, and questioned where the stage would be located and its size. She informed the Deputy that cooking was going to be kept inside, but then she decided to have a grill outside. She is asking for guidance and would like to follow the rules. The board informed her that they do not have enough information to decide on her application today. Commissioner Uhlman asked the Chairman if we received a letter stating that Maple Avenue could not be closed? Commissioner Landerholm stated Maple Avenue is a very busy street for BAT busses.

Chairman Charnel informed Dr. Paris that it would be difficult to approve the application with all of the safety concerns, and the board would like events done safely.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm. The board then voted by roll call with all members voting in the negative.

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18. Hearing on a request from Club National Franco- American for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for an Annual Barbecue to be held at 170 Court Street, on August 9, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. David Crowe of 94 Anawan Street, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Crowe stated that he is covering for Mr. Bessette who is having technical difficulties. The club is having their annual pig roast, and they would like to serve alcohol outdoors on their patio. There will be no outside liquor sales and everything will be in plastic cups. There are two entrances to the back and the entrance will be blocked with a vehicle. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Simpson yielded. Commissioner Uhlman asked him if there will be alcohol served outside that was purchased inside?

He replied, yes. Chairman Charnel replied, that is unacceptable. You must purchase the alcohol from a wholesaler for the event. You can't take drinks that were purchased inside outdoors and you must contact the wholesaler and get a separate invoice for the event. Commissioner Uhlman stated they must put in an order just for the event. Mr. Crowe replied, that is good to know. Deputy Chief Weeks stated that not much food is being cooked, so they do not need many tanks. They only have a single tank, so no permit is necessary. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel stated this event has been going on for quite some time, and he has never had any complaints. It is a family event.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

A motion was made by Chairman Charnel to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Charnel, Chairman

APPROVED

Robert P. Simpson, Commissioner

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