

MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 P.M.
Thursday, November 20, 2025
Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, November 20, 2025, via ZOOM. Present were, Commissioners Robert Simpson, Scott D. Uhlman, Katrice Gerald, Janet Landerholm, Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho, Lt. David Farrell, Deputy Chief Brendan Weeks and George Depina.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular License Commission Meeting of October 16, 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the previously mentioned meeting of October 16, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents from November 20, 2025 to December 18, 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, Shannon Murray, Mike Bunker, William Devine, Matt Farrell, Frank Lopez, Gary Mercurio, Salissa Lopes, Derek Salamone.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the license agents as listed from November 20, 2025 to December 18, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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3. Hearing on a request from HMI Promz, News, dba Downstairs Café for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a 5th Anniversary Celebration to be held at 1 Centre Street, on December 24, 2025, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Present was Mr. Claude Bellevue of 248 Austin Street, Hyde Park, MA.

Mr. Bellevue stated that he owns a social media platform, and every year he hosts a celebration. Commissioner Uhlman 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 deferred to Deputy Chief

Weeks, due to the size of the space last year. Deputy Chief Weeks stated his inspector was satisfied with 40 people. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the police department, and there were no issues last year. Commissioner Uhlman asked him what type of entertainment is being used that evening? Mr. Bellevue replied, a DJ. He will be awarding an artist from Haiti this year. Commissioner Uhlman asked him where he was getting the liquor, and if they are a wholesaler? Mr. Bellevue replied, New Hampshire.

Commissioner Uhlman informed him that he can't purchase alcohol from New Hampshire, and requested he provide a receipt of the alcohol purchased for the event. The alcohol must be delivered on December 24th, and picked up the next business day. Deputy Chief Weeks stated the music must be plugged into a power source that turns off when the Fire alarm sounds. Commissioner Uhlman asked Lt. Farrell to check on the occupancy of the building.

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

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4. Hearing on a request from Brockton Arts, Inc, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Paint Night- Political Event to be held at 86 Center Street, on October 17, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

M. Marcellus stated they are hosting a thank you event for Ms. Ellie Teixeira's supporters. They would like to offer beer and wine service to their guests. Mr. Marcellus stated that he will be the bartender for the evening, and all of the money that he makes from tips will go back to Brockton Arts, Inc. They will be using a Bluetooth speaker for entertainment. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Marcellus if he has established a relationship with a wholesaler? He replied, yes. Deputy Chief Weeks requested they have a crowd manager present.

Commissioner Uhlman 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.

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

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5. Hearing on a request from Clamor Throne Chairs, Inc. for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a New Years' Eve Party to be held at 170 Oak Street, on December 31, 2025, from 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Present was Mrs. Dilma Veiga of 206 Hathaway Street, New Bedford, MA.

Mrs. Veiga stated she is hosting a New Year's Eve party at her function hall. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mrs. Veiga what her occupancy was for the building? She replied, 49. He also asked her if there will be entertainment, and where is she getting the alcohol? She replied, yes, they will have a DJ that

evening, and asked if she can buy the alcohol from a liquor store? Commissioner Uhlman replied, no she can't purchase alcohol from a liquor store, and instructed her to check the ABCC website for a list of wholesalers. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mrs. Veiga to provide the receipts from the purchases to the License Commission, and informed her that she can only serve wine and malt beverages. Deputy Chief Weeks stated she can't pass the specified occupancy of 49, and he would like to confirm that she has an automatic shutdown of the music if the alarm sounds.

Lt. Farrell stated he did not get the complete application. Silvia replied, that she emailed the complete application to the applicant and never heard back from her. The board informed her that the application must be received in a timely manner. Commissioner Uhlman 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 Mrs. Veiga if the event is public or private? She replied, private. He informed her that the application is incomplete.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit pending receipts from a wholesaler, and she abides by the fire department rules. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald. The board then voted by roll call with Commissioner Simpson and Gerald voting in the affirmative and Commissioners Landerholm, and Uhlman voting in the negative.

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6. Hearing on a request from Pearl Street Donuts for a Common Victualer license at 541 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Erick Eskander of 120 Albie Drive, Braintree, MA.

Mr. Eskander stated he recently took over 541 Pleasant Street and converted it into a Dunkin Donuts, and he is looking to obtain a Common Victualer license. Commissioner Uhlman stated the plan shows 8/10 seats. Mr. Eskander replied, 8 is probably accurate. The hours of operation will be 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There were restrictions on the property, so they had to apply for a variance and they were approved. Commissioner Uhlman asked him what was the variance problem? He believes it was for the hours of operation. They have not been open for the maximum hours allowed, it should be 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Commissioner Uhlman stated if the hours change they can come back and fix it. Commissioner Uhlman 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. Eskander what the hours of operation were under Honey Dew? He believes they were not open outside of the restrictions, they were open till 9:00 p.m. as well.

Deputy Chief Weeks stated his inspector was there twice the slide bolt on the rear door needs to be repaired, as well as the exit sign and emergency light. He will make a recommendation once those items have been completed, and has requested the repairs twice. Mr. Eskander stated he was disappointed to hear that and was unaware of the situation, the information never made it to him. He assured Deputy

Chief Weeks that he will resolve the issues right away. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the police department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Common Victualer license pending the fire department requests. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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7. JZD Pizza, LLC, dba Domino's for a Transfer of a Common Victualer license at 1085 North Montello Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. James Dec of 25 Cinnamon Circle, Tewksbury, MA.

Mr. Dec stated they purchased two Domino's and would like to transfer the Common Victualer licenses. Their hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Sunday thru Thursday, and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Deputy Chief Weeks stated the exit signs need to be fixed. George informed him that as a new owner he must apply for licenses online. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the police department.

Commissioner Uhlman 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.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Transfer of the Common Victualer license with a closing hour of midnight until they apply for a Late-Night Business Permit, they get the required sign-off's, stipulations set by the fire department have been fixed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald and unanimous by vote of the members present.

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8. JZD Pizza, LLC, dba Domino's for a Transfer of a Common Victualer license at 1940 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. James Dec of 25 Cinnamon Circle, Tewksbury, MA.

Mr. Dec stated he is transferring the Common Victualer license. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Dec if he has seating? Mr. Dec. replied, he has seating for 12. He also asked him if he has any tv's or music, and he replied, no. Commissioner Uhlman 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 did not receive the application for this location. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the police department pending inspection by the fire department. Commissioner Simpson asked Mr. Dec what time he would be closing inside? He replied, 10:00 p.m. Commissioner Simpson yielded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Transfer of the Common Victualer license pending sign off's by ISD/Fire. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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9. Caribbean Taste & Pizza, LLC, dba Five Star Pizza & More for a Transfer of a Common Victualer license at 793 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was no one.

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

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10. Hearing on a request from Tommy Sargo, dba Fatima Tarot Card and Palm Reader for a Fortune Teller license at 860 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Attorney John Creedon of 71 Legion Parkway, Brockton, MA, and Mr. Tommy Sargo of 860 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA.

Attorney Creedon stated as the board is aware Fortune Teller licenses are governed by the state and the city. Mr. Sargo has not had any complaints over the last 10 years. Unfortunately, his late wife did all of the paperwork, so that is why he has not filed paperwork with the city. Officer Miranda did go there regarding his license. Mr. Sargo lives on the premises, the area is on the corner of Belmont Street and Paterson Avenue, so there are no traffic issues. Mr. Sargo is 62 years old, lives in Brockton, is a citizen and has a drivers' license and there would be no risk allowing him to continue.

He has been there twice and the business is clean, open and beautiful, so is the reception room. Commissioner Uhlman 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 Weeks stated he had no objections, they passed all of their inspections.

Lt. Farrell stated he received several complaints from city hall about people being scammed by large amounts of money. Mr. Sargo stated that the person making the complaints is his former partner Catherine Johnson. Attorney Creedon stated they have been to District Court and she was held in contempt for making false complaints. The hearing was 4 hours long, and a restraining order was placed against her. Commissioner Uhlman informed Attorney Creedon that in order to operate in Massachusetts you must reside in Massachusetts for 12 months prior to applying for a license, and Mr. Sargo has a Rhode Island drivers' license.

Attorney Creedon stated Mr. Sargo has resided at the location for 14 years, and failed to apply for a Massachusetts drivers' license. George stated the business is not a mixed-use building and is in a residential area. Mr. Sargo stated he was helping his mother who was sick in Florida that is why he did not change his drivers' license. Commissioner Simpson yielded. Lt. Farrell stated he objects to the license

because of the complaints he has received. The daughter of the woman who was scammed out of \$22,000, says her mother is afraid to go forward with charges. Commissioner Uhlman stated if the license is denied he would like the sign removed from the building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Fortune Teller license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald. The board then voted by roll call with all members voting in the negative except Commissioner Uhlman. The sign must be removed from the building, and the applicant is welcome to reapply for the December meeting, if he applies for a MA driver's license.

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11. Hearing on a request from Caribbean Taste & Pizza, LLC, dba Five Star Pizza & More for a Transfer of a Common Victualer license at 793 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Yunus Emre Yilmaz of 793 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA, and Mr. Alex Belande of 250 Main Street, Bridgewater, MA.

Mr. Belande stated he bought Five Star Pizza & More and would like to continue the same business offering pizza and Caribbean food. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Belande how many seats? He replied, 5 tables and 14 seats. He also asked him if he has music or tv's? he replied, a tv with a menu. The hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday. Deputy Chief had no objections from the fire department. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the police department.

Commissioner Uhlman 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 him if he is keeping everything the same, and just changing the menu? He replied, yes.

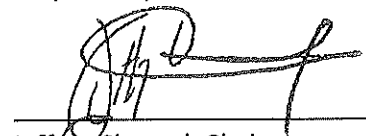
A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Transfer of the Common Victualer license for 14 seats, the hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Monday thru Sunday. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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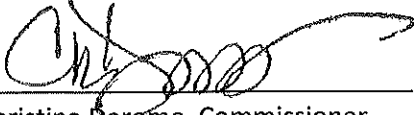


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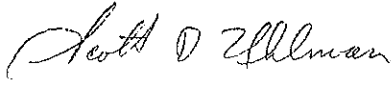
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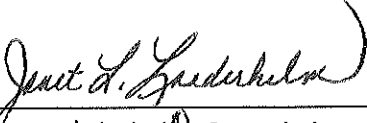
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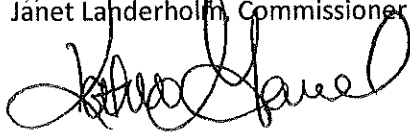
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