

# Staff Report

**Date:** May 26, 2022  
**To:** **Devens Enterprise Commission**  
**From:** Neil Angus, Environmental Planner  
**RE:** **Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival – Field P-5 (Antietam Street) Event Permit and two (2) One-Day License to sell beer and wine.**

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**Applicant:** MassDevelopment/Devens Recreation  
**Owner:** MassDevelopment  
**Location:** Devens Recreational Field P-5 (27 Antietam St.)  
**Zoning:** Open Space and Recreation and Zone II Water Res. Protection Overlay.

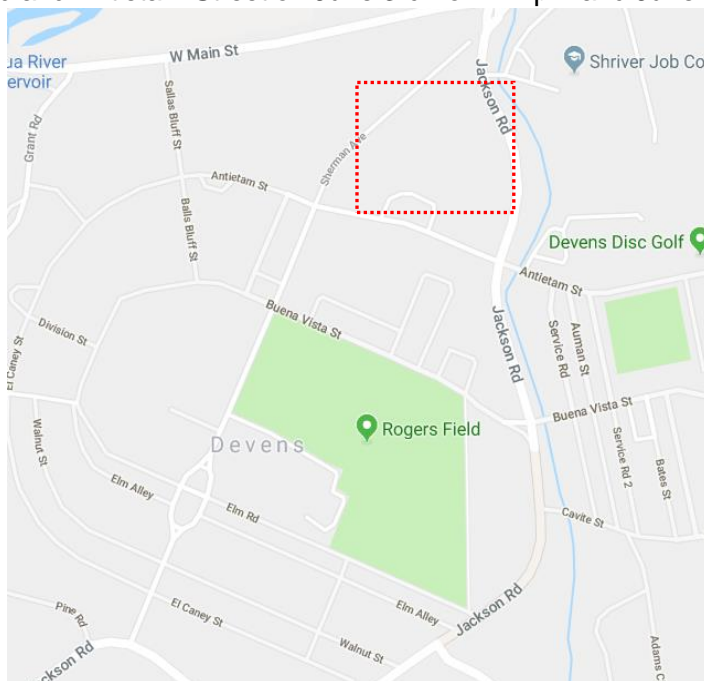
## Event Overview:

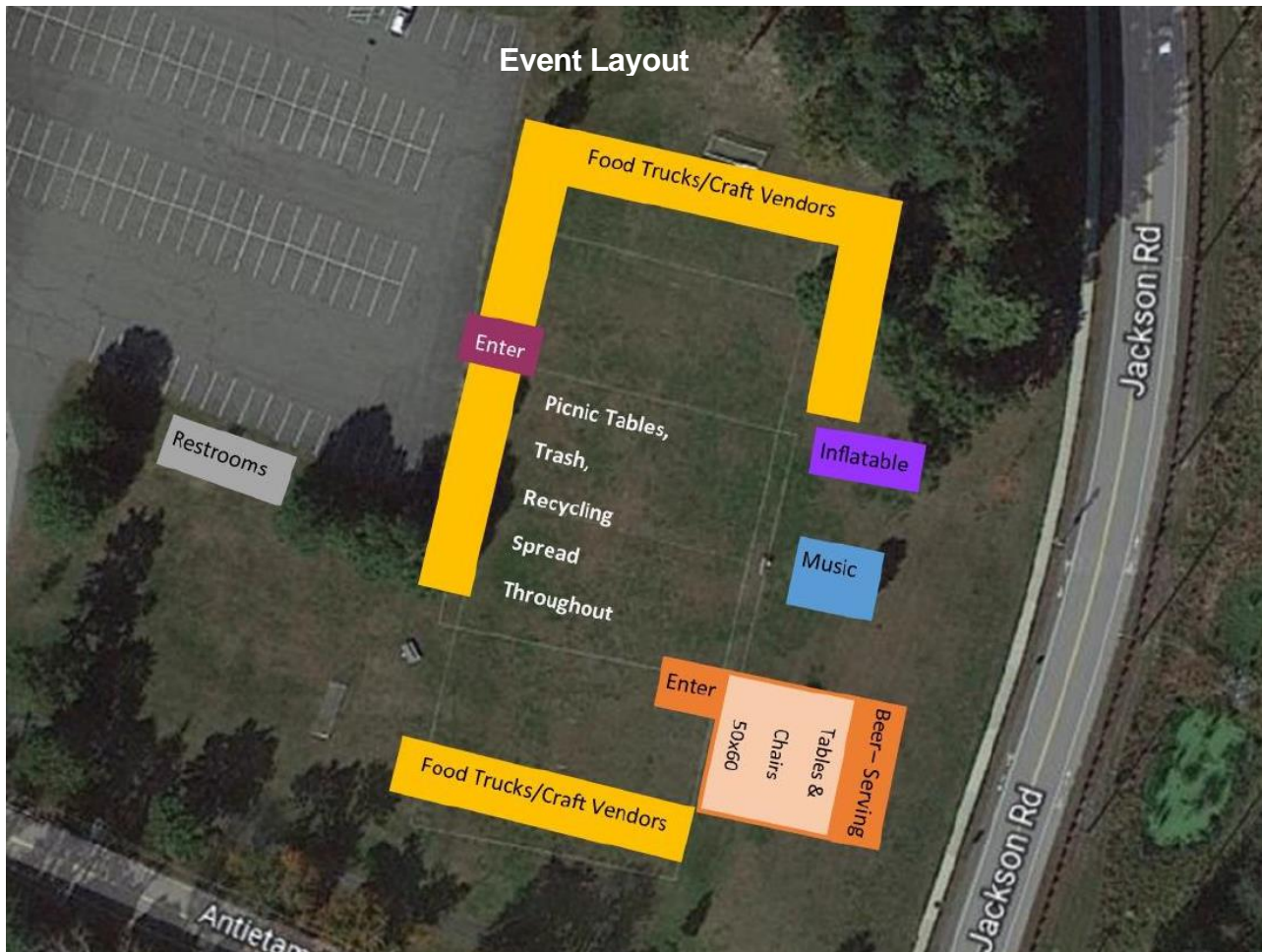
MassDevelopment is planning to host its first ever Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival on Museum Complex, the field at the corner of Jackson Road and Antietam Street on June 3rd from 4-7pm and June 4th from 11am-3pm. The event will feature food trucks, craft vendors, beer vendors, music, and games, including an inflatable slide.

There will be one musical performance at each date's event. Point the Finger Band will be performing 6/3 (electric music) and Jacqueline Burns will be performing 6/4 (acoustic set). With the exception of breaks for the performers, music will be playing throughout the duration of the events. Generators will follow safety guidelines set by the DEC.

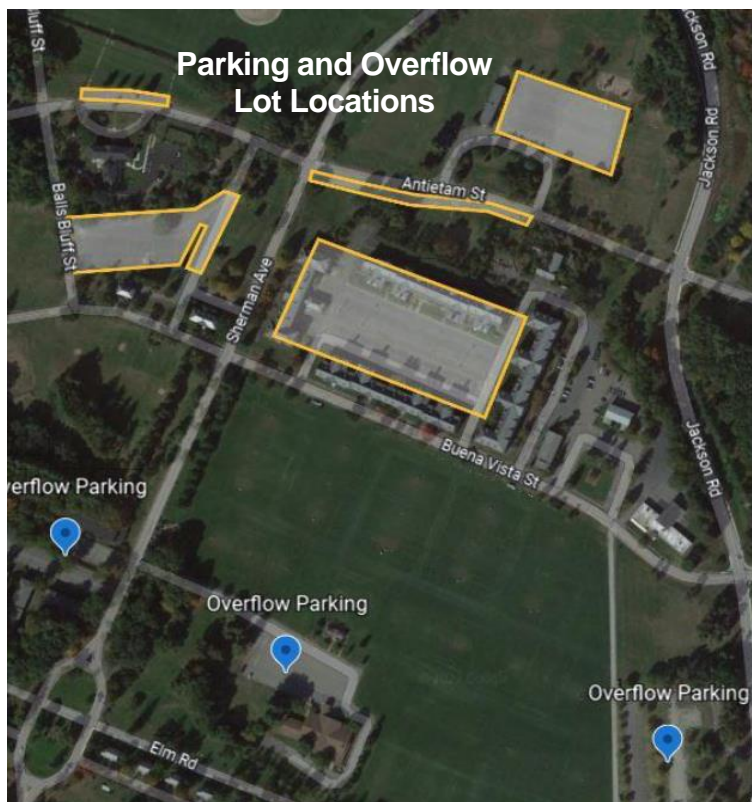
## One Day License Details:

This request is for two one-day licenses to serve beer and wine only on June 3rd from 4-7pm and June 4th from 11am-3pm. Beer vendors include Bull Spit Brewing, out of Lancaster and Winchendon, and Sterling Street Brewery, out of Clinton. Both are approved authorized sources according to the ABCC's most recent list of authorized sources dated 5/20/22. The area where alcohol is to be served will be within a 50'x 60' fenced-in area. Entrance into the fenced in area will be restricted to persons 21 years of age or older. ID's will be checked by a State Police detail to enter the fenced-in area. Bartenders will be TIPS certified and will ID individuals being served. Patrons will not be allowed to take alcohol outside the fenced in area. The applicant has spoken with the State Police and will secure a detail officer to be inside the tent at all times when alcohol is being served as required by the license. This will be in addition to the detail that will be ID'ing. Devens DPW staff and recreation will be overseeing the event to ensure safe operations. MassDevelopment carries their own general liability insurance for events.





**Parking/Traffic Control/Safety:**  
 The organizers are planning for up to 2000 people, but since this is a two-day event over several hours, it is unlikely that there will be 2000 people all at once. Attendees are expected to come and go throughout the day. Devens Recreation will have temporary signage and parking spaces available at the field location, several locations along Antietam, and in the overflow area behind Clear Path for Veterans and at Vicksburg Square if necessary. Combined, these parking areas contain sufficient parking spaces to accommodate the vendors, volunteers and participants for this event, including over 50 ADA accessible spaces. ADA parking for the event will be closest to the event fields. Devens DPW staff will help ensure safe traffic and pedestrian flows,



minimizing impacts to normal traffic patterns in and through Devens.

**Food and Waste Management/Control:**

The event is expecting 11 or more food trucks and at least 5 craft vendors, in addition to the two beer and wine vendors. Any proposed food vendors will need to be licensed through the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health. Devens Public Works will have trash and recycling barrels spread throughout the event area. A DPW staff member will be responsible for removing bags as they get full and putting them in Recreation trash or recycling dumpsters. Porta-potties will also be provided for public use during the event.

**Other Details:**

No pets, no outside alcohol, no BBQs or open flames, park in approved parking areas only. Rules will be on the marketing flyer and will be posted at the entrance to the event.

**Recommended Action:**

Devens Recreation and DPW have a great deal of experience running large events and all issues appear to be adequately addressed. Legal notices were published and all abutters were notified by certified mail. No comments were received. If the Commission is satisfied that all concerns have been addressed, Staff would recommend approval of the event permit and two (2) One Day License to sell beer and wine, subject to the following conditions:

1. The two (2) 1-Day Licenses to sell beer and wine are valid on June 3, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 7:00PM and June 4, 2022 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM only.
2. The serving and consumption of alcohol is limited to the fenced in area at 27 Antietam Street as shown on the event layout plan. A police officer shall be inside the fenced area at all times while alcohol is being served/consumed.
3. The Applicant is an individual, as the responsible manager for the organization and shall control the dispensing of alcohol to persons not under the age of twenty-one (21), and shall not serve alcohol to individuals who are or "appear to be" under the influence of alcohol.
4. The Licensee must purchase alcoholic beverages from an authorized source. Licensees CANNOT purchase from a package store and CANNOT accept donations from anyone.
5. All waste must be contained on-site and properly disposed of. Recycling is mandatory.

In order to ensure the event permit complies with 974 CMR 8.00 (Public Health and Safety) Regulations, Staff would recommend the following conditions be added to the event permit:

1. All food vendors shall be licensed through the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.
2. The Applicant shall obtain tent permits for any tents larger than 10'x 12' being used for the event. Electrical Permits for any emergency generators are also required.
3. The Applicant shall coordinate all traffic and safety with the State Police and the Devens Public Safety Officer.
4. Any excavation or ground disturbance must be approved by Devens Recreation. Personnel conducting this work must complete the required UXO training through the Devens Fire Department prior to any activity. Prior to any excavation, the Applicant shall also contact Dig Safe. All disturbed areas shall be re-stabilized to their original condition to prevent erosion and soil exposure.