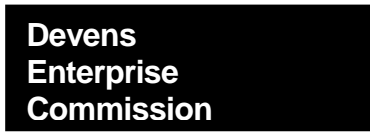


# Staff Report



**Date:** October 27, 2021  
**To:** **Devens Enterprise Commission**  
**From:** Neil Angus, Environmental Planner  
**RE:** **Clear Path for Veterans Journey Home 5K Road Race/Event (1-Day All- Alcoholic Beverages License)**

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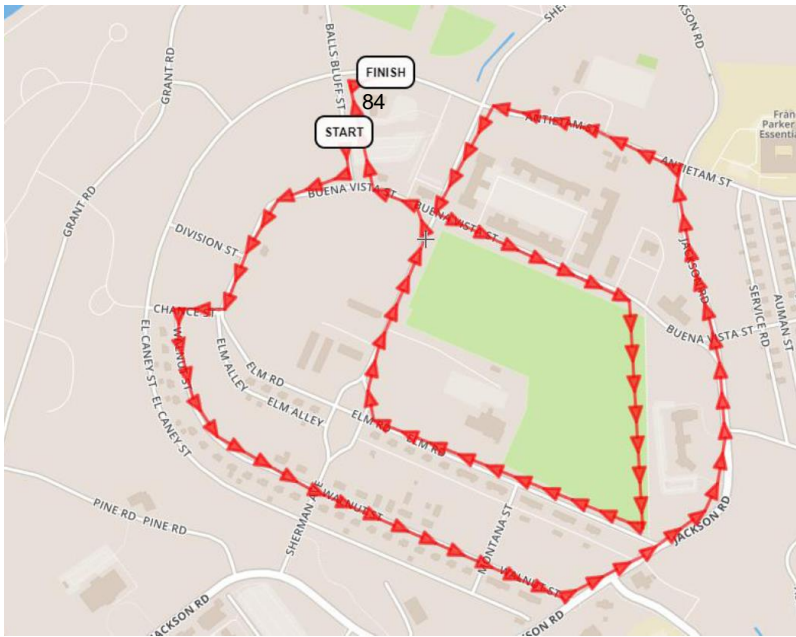
**Applicant/Owner:** Clear Path for Veterans New England  
**Location:** 84 Antietam Street, Devens, MA  
**Zoning:** Innovation and Technology Center and Zone II Water Res. Protection Overlay.

### Event Overview:

Clear Path for Veterans New England is hosting their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual 5k/10k run/walk. The event will take place on Sunday November 7, 2021 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM (set up at 8:00AM) at Clear Path for Veterans New England – 84 Antietam Street. There will be amplified music (DJ) however, as this is a short daytime event from in an area not directly adjacent to any residences, there is minimal concern for any nuisance conditions for existing residents and businesses. The Devens Event Permit Regulations allow for business/property owners on Devens to host one-day events on their own property without the need for an event permit but because this event is proposing to serve beer, they are requesting a one-day on-premises license from the DEC to serve alcohol.

### Course Layout:

Clear Path is working with True North Running to organize this run. The course starts and ends at Clear Path for Veterans New England headquarters building at 84 Antietam Street. The Applicant is working with the Devens Public Safety officer, local first-responders and military in an effort to have representatives from various branches on the course, supporting the runners. The course will be managed and marked with non-permanent signage, arrows and cones. Police detail will be required at the intersection of Antietam and Jackson as runners will be using the bike lane on the southbound side of Jackson Road. This will avoid the need for any road closures. The Applicant will coordinate



with the Devens Public Safety Officer and State Police, as well as Devens Recreation and DPW for traffic control and to provide proper notice to residents.

**Parking:**

Clear Path is expecting around 50-75 participants. Attendees will be able to park on-site at 84 Antietam and in the adjacent municipal lot to the south. Devens Recreation will be able to provide overflow parking at Vicksburg Square, the UNACC lot, as well as and along Antietam if needed. Runners/walkers will register/check-in at 84 Antietam Street.

**One Day All-Alcoholic Beverages License Details:**

This one-day All- Alcoholic Beverages license request is for Sunday, November 7, 2021 from 9:00AM to 12:00 PM only.

Clear Path, a non-profit organization, will be collaborating with Columbia Tavern who uses Atlas Beverage to obtain their alcohol (ABCC authorized source). The area where Alcohol is to be served will be within a ~40'x 40' fenced off area (existing dog training area). Entrance into the area will be restricted to persons 21 years of age or older. ID's will be checked to enter the tent (wristbands will be issued to over 21). Bartenders will be TIPS certified and will ID individuals being served regardless of wristband status.



Patrons will not be allowed to take alcohol outside the tent area. The applicant has spoken with the State Police and will secure a detail officer to be inside the fenced area at all times when alcohol is being served as required by the license. In addition, Clear Path will have private security personnel that will monitor inside and outside the fenced area. The private security personnel will coordinate with the police detail.

**Food and Waste Management/Control:**

No food vendors are proposed at this time. Any proposed food vendors will need to be licensed through the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health. The Applicant will utilize volunteers to manage all waste and recycling on-site. Clear Path will allow attendees to use their facilities in their building so no porta potties are necessary. A Volunteer crew will be assigned to monitor cleanup in public areas along the route, during and post event. This will include animal waste pick-up as this will be a dog-friendly event.

**Recommended Action:**

Legal notices were published and all abutters were notified by certified mail. We received no comments. If the Commission is satisfied that all concerns have been addressed, Staff would recommend approval of the One Day Beer and/or Malt Beverages License, subject to the following conditions:

1. The one-day All- Alcoholic Beverages license is valid on Sunday, November 7, 2021 from 9:00AM to 12:00 PM only.
2. The serving and consumption of alcohol is limited to the ~40'x 40' fenced in area at 84 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 complies with 974 CMR 8.00 (Public Health and Safety) Regulations, Staff would recommend the following conditions be added to this license:

6. Any food vendors shall be licensed through the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.
7. 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.
8. The Applicant shall coordinate all off-site road race traffic and safety within Devens with MassDevelopment, the State Police, Devens Dog Warden, and the Devens Public Safety Officer and provide a cleanup crew for public areas along the route, during and post event. This includes animal waste pick-up.