



PLANNING, LICENSES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
Council Chambers A, Keene City Hall  
May 7, 2025  
6:00 PM

**A. AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Keene SwampBats - Request to Discharge Fireworks - July 25, 2025
2. Jim Coppo/Jimmy Tempesta - Request to Discharge Fireworks - First Responder Appreciation Community Day - August 24, 2025
3. Keene Family YMCA - Request for Road Closure - Summit Road - June 8, 2025
4. Lease of Airport Property - Avenru Development

**B. MORE TIME ITEMS**

1. Relating to Amendments to the Land Development Code, Feather Signs in Industrial Districts  
Ordinance O-2025-08
2. Relating to the Land Development Code, Single-Family Parking Requirements  
Ordinance O-2025-09
3. Councilor Jones - Request for Resolution (Declaration) Honoring the LGBTQIA+ Community
4. Relating to Amendments to the Land Development Code to Encourage Housing Development in Keene  
Ordinance O-2025-15
5. Relating to Amendments to Definitions of the Land Development Code to Encourage Housing Development in Keene and the Definitions Relating to Charitable Gaming Facilities  
Ordinance O-2025-17

**NON PUBLIC SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**





Mar 27, 2025

City of Keene  
Keene City Council  
3 Washington St.  
Keene, NH 03431

City Council Members:

Per this letter, the Keene SwampBats request your approval to host a Class B Fireworks Display on **Friday, July 25th**.

This fireworks event would take place at Keene's Alumni Field on Arch Street, immediately following the regularly scheduled SwampBats game that evening. Fireworks traditionally are shot off at approximately 9:45 pm. This is a significant date for our 2025 season, as **July 25th is our last Friday regular season game and our Host Family Appreciation Night**. We will supply a Letter of Approval from the SAU 29 and an Insurance Rider naming the City of Keene as a co-insured.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Kevin D. Watterson, President  
Keene SwampBats

April 15,2025

City of Keene  
Honorable Mayor & City Council  
3 Washington St  
Keene, NH 03431

To: Honorable Mayor Jay Kahn & City Council

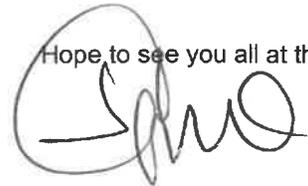
Please let this letter serve as our request and seek permission to include a fireworks display at our very unique, the First Responder Appreciation Community Day, event on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at Alumni Field. This event will be open to the public, will have Police, Firefighters, Ambulance personnel, Dispatchers along with dignitaries and guest speakers. This event will be an extension to our 'Blue Line Appreciation' event we host at the restaurant.

The day will be filled with family fun, have all area equipment on display and meet and greets with the hero's, in addition to demonstrations by City, State and County departments.

I have attached a set of fliers for out to see. The fireworks display will be a music themed special First Responder colored show for 10 minute slot at the completion of the City Fire vs Police game.

The show will be done by Atlas Pyrovision Entertainment, the same company that does Swampbat games. They will use the same location as the always do.

Hope to see you all at the event,



Jim Copp/Jimmy Tempesta





FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

**the KEENE FAMILY YMCA**

April 3, 2025

To Honorable Mayor and City Council,

The Keene Family YMCA is requesting a full road closure of Summit Road in Keene NH on Sunday June 8, 2025, from 8:00am-11:00am for a Youth Triathlon Race. The closure will start just pass the Y entrance to the end of the road. We will be using Summit Road as a loop (up and back) for the bike portion of the race and the remaining race will take place on the YMCA property.

We will work with the City Protocol team to use city barriers to close off Summit Road just after the Y entrance and Summit Ridge off Summit Road. We will work with the police department regarding a police detail for the hours they are racing (9-1030am). We will have about 20 volunteers assisting as course marshals.

The YMCA will communicate with our neighbors regarding the road closure and will have volunteers ready to assist with cars to and from their homes as needed.

Kelly Fleurette  
Senior Program Director  
Keene Family YMCA  
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Keene, NH 03431

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# CITY OF KEENE NEW HAMPSHIRE

ITEM #A.4.

**Meeting Date:** May 7, 2025  
**To:** Planning, Licenses and Development Committee  
**From:** David Hickling, Airport Director  
**Through:** Elizabeth Ferland, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Lease of Airport Property - Avenru Development**

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**Recommendation:**

Recommend that the City Manager be authorized to do all things necessary to execute a land lease at the Keene Dillant-Hopkins Airport to Avenru Development for the construction of an aircraft hangar.

**Attachments:**

None

**Background:**

On June 21, 2024, the city released an RFP seeking interested parties to lease land at the airport for new hangar development. The city received one proposal in response to that RFP. Subsequent negotiations followed and terms we recently agreed upon.

Avenru Development intends to construct a 10,000 sq. ft. hangar and a 12,000 sq. ft. apron on parcel 3 at the airport. The hangar will be used for corporate aircraft storage and support of flight operations.

Commercial aeronautical activities may be approved in the future with an associated operating rights agreement that would be brought to the City Council for approval.

This development would benefit the airport and the City of Keene by providing additional revenue of \$6,230 annually to the airport through the lease, as well as additional benefits to the airport and existing airport businesses through increased aeronautical activity at the airport.

- Hangar and Improvements, 11,000 sq / ft \$.37 - \$4,070
- Apron, 12,000 sq / ft \$.18 - \$2,160

The terms of this lease follow the "Airport Land Leasing Policy".