



SAINT JOHN

# What's Happening Saint John

October 6, 2021

The City of Saint John is pleased to provide the following summary of some of the great news, updates and important information about what's happening in the City.



## News & Updates

### **Saint John Fire Department reminds residents about fire safety for fire prevention week**

The Saint John Fire Department is reminding residents of the importance of fire safety and prevention as national fire prevention week runs from October 3-9, 2021. This year's theme "learn the sounds of fire safety" is an important reminder to know what to listen for when it comes to the sounds your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms make.

"Understanding what the sounds mean, whether it's a full alarm, an indication to change your alarm's batteries, or to replace the alarm is critical to ensuring everyone's safety," said Roy Nolan, Captain of Fire Prevention and Investigations for the Saint John Fire Department. "Everyone in your home needs to know what sounds to listen for. If you or a family member are hard of hearing, then consider getting a strobe light or bed shaking alarm to make sure everyone is alerted to an emergency. And remember that fire prevention always starts with having a plan."



For more information on fire safety and the Saint John Fire Department, click [here](#).

Learn more on Fire Prevention Week by visiting [nfpa.org](http://nfpa.org)

### **Let's shape our waterfront: Design concept panels on display at Saint John City Market**

The City is collecting public feedback on design concepts and priorities for the development of our waterfront. Design concept panels will be on display at the bottom of the Saint John City Market for public viewing from Tuesday, October 5 until Tuesday, October 12.

If you couldn't make it to last week's public open house and discussion you can head over to the City Market to view the concepts or watch the full presentation by [clicking here](#).

All feedback is welcome and can be sent to the City through the email [feedback@saintjohn.ca](mailto:feedback@saintjohn.ca)

A member of the project team will be at the Market to answer questions on the following days/times:

Thursday, October 7 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, October 8 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



**The City launched a process to create a 10-year Strategic Plan for the Saint John City Market**

The process will include both robust public and stakeholder engagement, as well as a series of analyses to maximize public benefit of the treasured space. The public is encouraged to stay informed of the process by following City news online. Details will be shared on a regular basis as the process unfolds. For a copy of the launch presentation, click [here](#).

**City Market staff, vendors and customers have adjusted well to new COVID safety protocols**

Daily operations at the Saint John City Market have been modified to meet most recently announced provincial COVID-19 orders. The hours of operation for the solarium (considered indoor dining) have recently changed to 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. weekdays and 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, and temporary security has been hired during these times to check vaccine paperwork of customers.

**The Saint John-EMO will be testing the emergency notification system this Thursday, October 7, 2021**

The Saint John Emergency Management Organization (SJ-EMO) will be conducting a test of the emergency alert and notification system this Thursday, October 7. The test will be conducted late in the morning. Anyone who has signed up to receive emergency notifications and news from the City will receive an email, voice, or text alert with the message “EXERCISE, EXERCISE, EXERCISE. This is a test of the City of Saint John emergency notification system. No action is required. THIS IS ONLY A TEST.”

The email, voice and text notification system is used by the SJ-EMO and the City of Saint John to broadly communicate urgent public notices. Residents who have not signed up to receive alerts and notifications are encouraged to do so by visiting [www.saintjohn.ca](http://www.saintjohn.ca).



**Saint John Culturescape has been postponed with a new date to be announced**

The SJCulturescape was originally scheduled for September 24– 26 but has been postponed until a later date due to the recent reinstatement of the COVID-19 emergency order.



SJCulturescape is a volunteer event organized by the Celebrations Committee of the Saint John Arts Board. The City will assist in communicating new dates once they have been set.

**Events Calendar!**

Looking for things to do? The Saint John Region has you covered with events in arts, culture, heritage, community, comedy, culinary, sports, music & performing arts. Visit [Discover Saint John](#) and check back often!





## Growth At A Glance

The One Stop Development Shop has received **552** permit applications this year, with a value of **\$51.2M**. In September, **50** building-related permit applications were processed with a value of **\$1.5M**.



## Don't Forget!

**Saint John Transit continues to offer free bus fare for residents traveling to and from vaccination clinics**

You can view the latest updates on clinics and bus schedules, [here](#).

**Route 15A Harbour Bridge ramp closure**

Effective August 24 drivers will not be able to use the Harbour Bridge on ramp from Chesley Drive (westbound) due to a planned closure. For details, visit [www.saintjohn.ca](http://www.saintjohn.ca).



## Stories To Share

The Saint John Sea Dogs have been selected as the hosts of the 2022 Memorial Cup. <https://chl.ca/article/saint-john-sea-dogs-selected-to-host-2022-memorial-cup-presented-by-kia>

Eastern Circle and Hearts of Saint John recognized the inaugural National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with an online event on Thursday September 30th. <https://www.country94.ca/2021/09/30/events-to-commemorate-truth-and-reconciliation-day/>

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TO HELP!**

For inquiries related to municipal services, contact the City of Saint John Customer Service Centre at (506) 658-4455, email [service@saintjohn.ca](mailto:service@saintjohn.ca) or visit us in person on the Ground Floor of City Hall, 15 Market Square, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays), 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

