

What's Happening Saint John

November 2, 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.



The 2021 Poppy Campaign began with a flag raising in front of City Hall

Friday, October 29 marked the first day of the 2021 #PoppyCampaign, a significant year as we celebrate the 100th year of the poppy. In collaboration with community partners, the City of Saint John has launched a social media effort to share information and acts of remembrance leading up to November 11. Let's always remember and support our Veterans. It's time to #Getyourpoppy, Saint John!



The holidays are around the corner and Saint John will be lit up in celebration

Uptown Sparkles will return to the uptown (including the City Market) on Friday December 3. This will be followed by special Christmas Markets in the City Market on Saturday, December 4, 11, and 18. More information to follow!

City of Saint John and Dominion Park Community Association unveil "revitalized" plan for Dominion Park Common Council approves report recommendations as project reaches Phase 1 milestone.

Those who enjoy the "best sunsets in the city" and Saint John's only public beach on the St. John River will see the natural assets of Dominion Park enhanced with new and accessible public amenities. At its meeting on Monday, November 1, Common Council approved the plan for Phase 1 of the Dominion Park Master Plan revitalization project contingent on the approval of \$865,000 from the City's 2022 capital budget program. For details, click HERE.



Have you ever wondered what it's like to develop in Saint John? City launches new Customer Experience Series

Development opportunities are abundant in Saint John and developers are sharing their experiences and the unique support they receive through the City's One-Stop Development Shop. Through quarterly customer experience stories developers can find out just how easy it is to work with the City on their next project.

First up! Percy Wilbur talks about his experience working with the

City and why he keeps choosing Saint John to develop. "You can
trust each other and look after each other and get the projects done." Read the full story HERE.

The tides are turning!

Several major projects are now underway along the Saint John waterfront, with a total combined investment of \$220,435,000. The deconstruction of patios has begun on the Boardwalk to make way for the new development! View and share the City's online album HERE.

Sharpen your skates and get ready for some family fun in Saint John!

The City is pleased to offer free public skating beginning Friday, October 8, 2021 at our municipal arenas: Charles Gorman Arena, Peter Murray Arena and Stewart Hurley Arena. Free skating times are also available for seniors and preschoolers. The skating schedule is available by <u>visiting here</u>.

In addition to the wearing of masks in common areas, proof of full vaccination and Government-issued identification must be presented to access municipally owned recreation facilities. Masks are not required on the ice. The Stewart Hurley Arena has a delayed opening date, which will be communicated once it is determined.

New rain garden installed using funds from the Land for public purposes program

ACAP Saint John and volunteers from the Montgomery Crescent area were able to complete a rain garden project using funds secured through the City's Land for Public Purposes Program. The new plants will help absorb rainwater and reduce localized flooding. The City congratulates the project team for contributing to Green efforts of our community, a priority of Council!





Growth At A Glance

The One Stop Development Shop has received **605** permit applications this year, with a value of **\$69.9M**. During the month of October, **53** building-related permit applications were received with a value of **\$18.9M**.

There were two high-value building permit applications in October:

- 815 Millidge Avenue \$14 million Phase 2 construction of apartment buildings
- 110 Charlotte Street \$3.2 million Renovations on multiple floors





Events & Activities

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 <u>Discover Saint John</u> and check back often!



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.

Horizon Health Network has organized a Free Rapid Test Kit Pick-up location in Saint John Open to any member of the public who does not have COVID-19 symptoms. Check the Horizon Health Network website for updated locations and times, here.



For inquiries related to municipal services, contact the City of Saint John Customer Service Centre at (506) 658-4455, email 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.







