# DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: 2025 Royal St. John's Regatta Holiday

Date Prepared: October 17, 2024

Report To: Special Meeting of Council

Councillor and Role: Mayor Danny Breen, Governance & Strategic Priorities

Ward: N/A

### **Decision/Direction Required:**

That Council move the civic holiday typically in August to July 30th, 2025, to coincide with the 2025 Royal St. John's Regatta.

## **Discussion – Background and Current Status:**

St. John's is hosting the 2025 Canada Games from August 8th to 25th, 2025. The 2025 Royal St. John's Regatta will take place on July 30th, 2025, to allow Canada Games athletes competing in canoeing and kayaking unfettered access to Quidi Vidi Lake and the surrounding facilities for training and competition during the first week of August.

The Royal St. John's Regatta is ordinarily scheduled for the first Wednesday of August and is considered by the City to be a civic holiday.

## **Key Considerations/Implications:**

1. Budget/Financial Implications: N/A

2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: N/A

3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No

If yes, are there recommendations or actions that require progress reporting?

If yes, how will progress be reported? (e.g.: through the strategic plan, through Cascade, annual update to Council, etc.)

4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

N/A



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- 5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A
- 6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A
- 4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
- 5. Privacy Implications: N/A
- 6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
- 7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
- 8. Procurement Implications: N/A
- 9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
- 10. Other Implications: N/A

#### **Recommendation:**

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