

DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: SERC – New Year’s Eve Events 2024

Date Prepared: December 4, 2024

Report To: Regular Meeting of Council

Councillor and Role: Councillor Jill Bruce, Cruise and Special Events

Ward: N/A

Decision/Direction Required: Seeking Council approval of road closures associated with the City of St. John’s New Year’s Eve Fireworks, and road closure and noise by-law extension associated with the George Street Association’s New Year’s Eve Event.

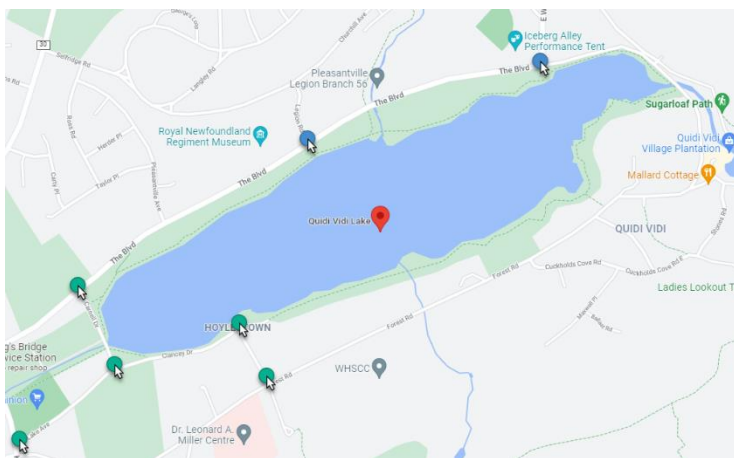
Discussion – Background and Current Status:

City of St. John’s Fireworks: Will take place at Quidi Vidi Lake on Tuesday December 31 at 8:00pm (inclement weather date of January 1). The requested road closures are recommended by Traffic and Parking Services Division for the safety of participants. Parking Enforcement Officers and hired security will be in place to implement the road closures.

The following road closures will come into effect at 6:30pm with the exception of The Boulevard between Legion Road and East White Hills which will be closed at 7:30pm.

Road closures associated with the fireworks are as follows:

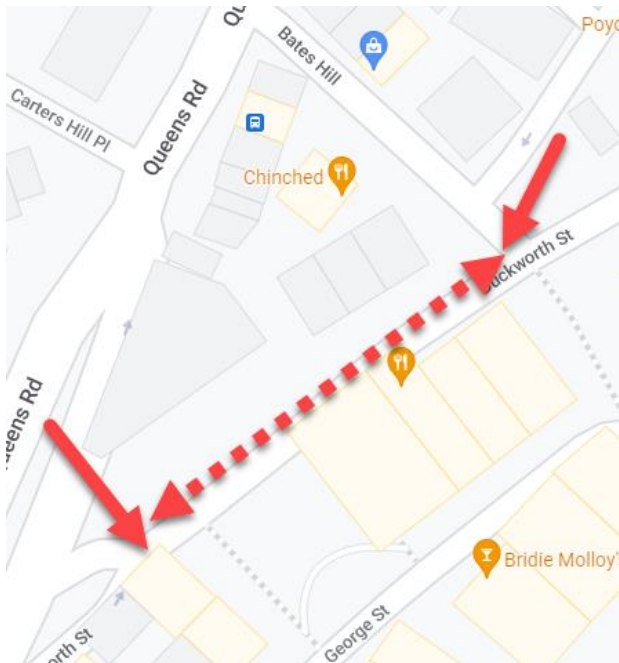
- The Boulevard, closed 7:30pm - 8:30pm from Legion Road to East White Hills Road
- Lake Avenue, closed at 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Carnell Drive, closed at 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Clancey Drive, closed at 6:30pm – 8:30pm
- Lakeview Avenue, closed at 6:30pm – 8:30pm



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George Street Association: This is an all-ages New Year's Eve event on George Street on Tuesday December 31.

- This is a free event, there will be no extensive set up, no fencing, no ticket booths.
- There will be a DJ on the George Street stage from 10:30pm – 12:00am.
- There will be a pyrotechnics show at midnight at the top of Prince Edward Plaza.
- St. John's Regional Fire Department have approved the preliminary plan and will work with the organizers as needed.
- A noise by-law extension is requested until 12:30am.
- A road closure is requested on Duckworth Street, between New Gower Street and Bates Hill. The road closure will be from 11:00pm – 12:30am. The approval of this road closure by Traffic Division is pending the submission of an acceptable traffic plan.
- Road closure to be implemented by City of St. John's Parking Enforcement.



Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications: Special Events budget will be used to cover costs associated with Parking Enforcement Officer's implementation of the road closure on Duckworth Street.
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: George Street Association
3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No

4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

A Connected City: Develop and deliver programs, services and public spaces that build safe, healthy and vibrant communities.

A Connected City: Increase and improve opportunities for residents to connect with each other and the City.

5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A

6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A

7. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A

8. Privacy Implications: N/A

9. Engagement and Communications Considerations: Residents will be notified of road closures through a public advisory.

10. Human Resource Implications: N/A

11. Procurement Implications: N/A

12. Information Technology Implications: N/A

13. Other Implications: N/A

Recommendation:

That Council approve the road closures associated with the City of St. John's New Year's Eve Fireworks, and road closure and noise by-law extension associated with the George Street Association New Year's Eve Event.

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