

City of New Brunswick  
Executive Order 2020-09

WHEREAS, restaurants are a vital and invaluable component of the City of New Brunswick's vibrant economy; and

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy has, effective June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, authorized restaurants and other eateries to re-open to patrons for outdoor seating only; and

WHEREAS, the measures that were implemented to combat Covid-19 via social distancing and reduced public activity have greatly affected the business model of all dining establishments; and

WHEREAS, the City's restaurants are small businesses that employ hundreds of the City's residents; and

WHEREAS, the City already has several regulations with respect to allowing for outdoor dining on sidewalks and other portions of the City's right of way; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Brunswick wishes to facilitate the efficient economic recovery for its restaurants; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Brunswick seeks to temporarily enact certain guidelines to better enable its eateries to succeed in the current environment.

Now, therefore, I, James M. Cahill, Mayor of City of New Brunswick in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this State, do hereby establish the following guidelines:

1. From Thursday September 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. until Sunday September 27, 2020 at 11:00 p.m., George Street, between Albany Street and Bayard Street will remain closed. The intersections of George Street and Church Street, George Street and Paterson Street, and George Street and Bayard will remain open to vehicular traffic.

2. Operation of business from 2:00 p.m. Thursday September 24 until 11:00 p.m. Sunday September 27, 2020 shall be as follows:

- a. Thursday from 4:00pm to 12:00am
- b. Friday from 12:00pm to 12:00am
- c. Saturday from 12:00pm to 12:00 am
- d. Sunday from 12:00pm to 10:00pm

3. Restaurants and taverns within the boundaries of the street closure shall be allowed to leave their tables, chairs and associated equipment from 3:00 p.m. Thursday September 24 until 11:00 p.m. Sunday September 27, 2020. In the event of a weather event or other problematic occurrence, businesses may be instructed to place their tables, chairs and associated equipment inside a secure location until the condition subsides. Said determinations will be made by the City Police Department as needed.

4. Debris and refuse shall continue to be removed at the end of business every night during the above closure.

5. Effective October 1, 2020 the George Street closure hours shall be as follows:

- a. Thursdays 2:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- b. Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- c. Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- d. Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

6. Effective October 1, 2020 restaurants and taverns on George Street shall be able to operate as follows:

- a. Thursdays 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- b. Fridays 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- c. Saturdays 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- d. Sundays 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

7. Restaurants and taverns in a non-residential zone may have outdoor live music, disc jockeys or other entertainers, until 10:00 p.m. or close of business whichever is earlier, provided it does not create a noise disturbance which shall be determined by the New Brunswick Police Department pursuant to City Ordinance.

8. Restaurants and taverns in a non-residential zone may have outdoor non-live music until the closing of business provided it does not create a noise disturbance which shall be determined by the New Brunswick Police Department pursuant to City Ordinance.

9. Any restaurant or tavern which receives approval of the above provisions must adhere to all of the Governor's Executive Orders that are in effect at any period of time including but not limited to Executive Order 150; Executive Directive No. 20-014 from the Department of Health; and Special Ruling 2020-10 Establishing Temporary COVID-19 Permits to Expand Licensed Premises issued by the Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (attached).

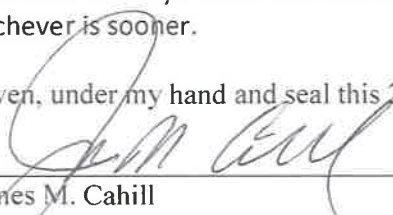
10. Failure to adhere to any of the terms or provisions of this Executive Order, Governor's Executive Orders, or any statutes, regulations and ordinances may result in the temporary or permanent loss of the privilege extended by this Executive Order, or the approvals granted by the City.

11. Any and all of the above terms and provisions shall be subject to modification, alteration or rescission without notice and at the sole discretion of the City of New Brunswick and its agents.

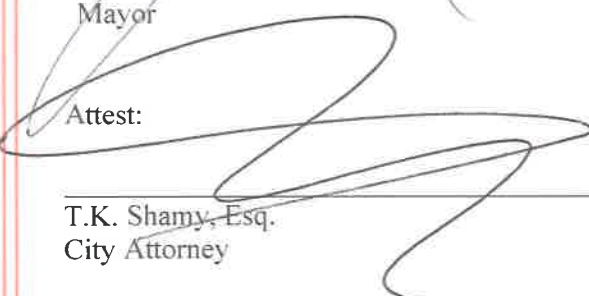
12. Any term and/or provision contained in any prior Executive Order, which is inconsistent or in conflict with the terms and provisions contained in this Executive Order is hereby repealed.

13. This Executive Order shall, unless otherwise specified herein, take effect on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. and shall remain in effect until November 30, 2020 or a time not to exceed 30 days after restaurants and taverns are permitted to operate at full occupancy, whichever is sooner.

Given, under my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, Two Thousand and Twenty.

  
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James M. Cahill  
Mayor

Attest:

  
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T.K. Shamy, Esq.  
City Attorney