

City of New Brunswick
Executive Order 2020-04

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

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy has, effective June 15th, 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

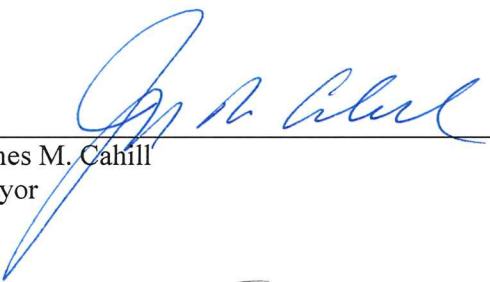
WHEREAS, the City of New Brunswick wishes to facilitate the efficient economic recovery for its restaurants; and

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

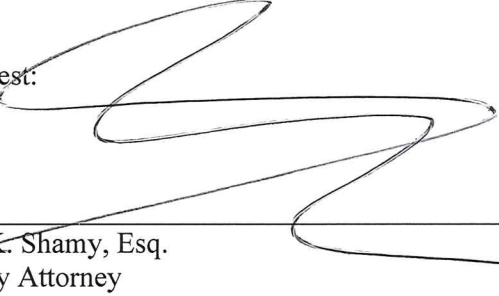
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES M. CAHILL, Mayor of City of New Brunswick in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this State, do hereby establish the following guidelines:

1. Sunday closures of George Street from Albany Street to Bayard Street (excluding cross streets) shall be from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
2. During Sunday closures of George Street restaurants and taverns:
 - a. may begin setting up at 1:00 p.m.
 - b. may open to customers at 2:00 p.m.
 - c. must end service by 10:00 p.m.
 - d. the roadway must be free of tables, chairs, and debris by 11:00 p.m.
3. As the R-6 and R-7 residential zones are much more intense in use than the others residential zones, existing non-conforming or otherwise legally permitted restaurants and taverns may operate:
 - a. On Sundays through Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
 - b. On Thursdays through Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
 - i. No outdoor music after 9:00 p.m.
4. During periods of inclement weather patrons may seek shelter under open-sided tents, canopies, or umbrellas but they:
 - a. may not be brought indoors by establishments.
 - b. Must remain socially distant
5. 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).
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. This Executive Order shall take effect on Friday, July 31, 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 31st day of July, Two Thousand and Twenty.



James M. Cahill
Mayor

Attest: 

T.K. Shamy, Esq.
City Attorney