

Appendix 2: Operational Updates

Recreation and Community Development

On October 1, 2021 the Government of Saskatchewan issued a Public Health Order *Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Negative Test* (the “October 1 Public Health Order”). The October 1 Public Health Order required individuals over the age of 12 to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination or a negative test result for public access to a range of businesses and event venues. At it’s [Special Council Meeting on October 8, 2021](#) City Council approved the Proof of Vaccination or Negative Test requirement for City of Saskatoon indoor Leisure Centers and indoor arenas.

The Government of Saskatchewan extended the Public Health Order for [Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Negative Test](#) until February 28, 2022. The City of Saskatoon follows all Public Health Orders and will continue the requirement for Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Negative Test as approved by City Council on October 8, 2021. The City will continue to have Commissionaires in place to confirm this requirement for all residents entering indoor leisure centres and arenas.

At the [January 10, 2022 Special Council Meeting](#) Administration was asked to provide an update on the status of indoor events at the Leisure Centres and Outdoor Special Events. A summary of these events for the period of December 2021 to February 2022 is below.

Indoor Events (Sporting Events):

The total number of sporting events booked at Indoor Leisure Centres for the period of December 2021 through February 2022 is 9. This represents a 45% decrease from the number of events for the same period prior to the COVID pandemic. All participants in these events are required to follow the current Government of Saskatchewan [Public Health Order for Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Negative Test](#) requirements to enter the Leisure Centres. In addition, participants must follow the Government of Saskatchewan [Public Health Order for Mandatory Isolation and Face Covering](#) and the City of Saskatoon requirement for not entering facilities if an individual has been experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. The events booked in February may yet be cancelled by event organizers. The following table summarizes the scheduled events as described:

Month	# of Events Dec 15, 2019- Feb 29, 2020	# of Events Dec 15, 2021- Feb 29, 2022
December	2	1
January	7	4
February	7	4
Total	16	9

Indoor Events (Non-Sporting Events)

The total number of non-sporting event rentals, combined for all Indoor Leisure Centres for all spaces, for the period of December 2021 through February 2022 is 107. This represents a 76% decrease from the number of events for the same period prior to the COVID pandemic. All participants in these events will be required to follow the current Government of Saskatchewan [Public Health Order for Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or Negative Test](#) requirements to enter the Leisure Centres. In addition, participants must follow the Government of Saskatchewan [Public Health Order for Mandatory Isolation and Face Covering](#) and the City of Saskatoon requirement for not entering facilities if an individual has been experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. The events booked in February may yet be cancelled by event organizers. The following table summarizes the rentals as described:

Month	# of Events Dec 15, 2019- Feb 29, 2020	# of Events Dec 15, 2021- Feb 29, 2022
December	98	23
January	163	48
February	178	36
Total	439	107

Outdoor Special Events:

The total number of outdoor special events booked the period of December 2021 through February 2022 is 18. This represents a 33% decrease from the number of events for the same period prior to the COVID pandemic. All participants in these events would be required to follow any relevant public health orders. The events booked in February may yet be cancelled by event organizers. The following table summarizes the outdoor special events as described:

Month	# of Events Dec 15, 2019- Feb 29, 2020	# of Events Dec 15, 2021- Feb 29, 2022
December	13	7
January	7	5
February	7	6
Total	27	18

Public Engagement Events and Activities

Communications & Public Engagement tabled an Information Report to Governance & Priorities Committee on May 19, 2020 titled "[Modifying Public Engagement in Saskatoon During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)". Using the five phased approach outlined

in the 2020 report and recognizing the risk for transmission of the Omicron variant is high, the Administration will continue to offer public and stakeholder engagement online as outlined in Phase 3 (Online Engagement). In some situations, where deemed necessary, engagement may be offered in-person as outlined in Phase 4 (In-Person Engagement with Measures). The Public Engagement Section will continue to work on developing comprehensive plans to more fully activate Phase 4 in March or April 2022 as outlined in the December 20, 2021 COVID report to City Council.