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# NEWS DOWNTOWN

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## DOWNTOWN SASKATOON AGM

New this year, Business Improvement Districts throughout Saskatoon are required to hold an **Annual General Meeting**. Our AGM will be held on **Tuesday, June 20** at **The Saskatoon Club** starting at **4:45 p.m.**

You can visit [dtnyxe.ca](https://dtnyxe.ca) for all related materials + information.

If you have any questions, [please reach out](#).

REGISTRATION + AGENDA

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## DOWNTOWN HAPPENINGS

### GET ENGAGED WITH THE DOWNTOWN EVENT + ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

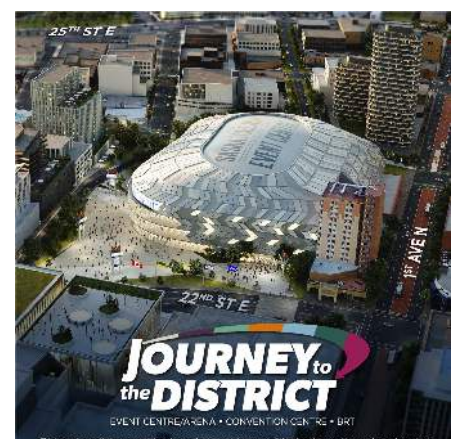
The **City of Saskatoon** has embarked on the first of **several engagement opportunities** for both the event centre/arena and convention centre conceptual designs as well as the larger District Plan. The current phase is focused on understanding what citizens would like to see in the **Downtown Event + Entertainment District**.

An [online survey is](#) open until May 18, feedback gathered from the public is expected to be presented to city councillors at a committee meeting in July.

A series of **pop-up events** are scheduled for Midtown starting at 10:00 AM for May 13, 15 + 18.

ENGAGEMENT INFORMATION

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## GET TO KNOW SPICY BITE

CBC sat down with **Afzal Rana**. Afzal is a proud Pakistani-Canadian and owner of the Downtown **Spicy Bite Restaurant**. Afzal has become a figurehead in the Downtown + Pakistani-Canadian community bringing everyone together over great food. Listen in as Maryam Masoomi gets to know a bit more about Afzal and his passion for working with food.

### CBC REPORTS

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## A PURR-FECT YEAR

Purrfect Cup Cat Café is celebrating it's one year of fur-bulous business Downtown. With plans to grow and expand their business, Sydney Sylvester says it is still and always will be focused on the cat's needs.

Sit back and get to know the story behind **Purrfect Cup Cafe** as the owners chatted with CTV news.

### CTV REPORTS

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## GET TO KNOW KOI INK

The StarPhoenix recently sat down with Rodney MacDonald, who has been operating Koi Ink Tattoos for 12 years and recently expanded his growing Downtown Tattoo studio.

Get to know Rodney and Koi Ink which is located at [210 2nd Avenue North](#)

### STARPHOENIX REPORTS

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## MOTHERS DAY GIFT CARD BONUS

Spend \$100 on **Midtown** gift cards and get a \$25 bonus card until May 14th. Use it to treat yourself, or add it to Mom's gift for an extra surprise!

Midtown Gift Cards are redeemable at over 130 stores like **lululemon, H&M, Michael Kors, and Hillberg & Berk** + more.

Visit Guest Services desk at **Midtown** to purchase.

### SEE WHAT'S IN STORE

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Outside the former Capitol Theatre on 2nd Ave in 1979 | Saskatoon Public Library Archives

## CALLS TO ACTION

### WANT TO JOIN THE DOWNTOWN SASKATOON BOARD?

**Are you passionate about your Downtown? Do you want to volunteer as a board member?** If so, **Downtown Saskatoon** is currently recruiting new board members.

It is anticipated two new board members will be added in 2023. The BID Bylaw, as set out by the City of Saskatoon requires that board members work for a business in the district, own commercial property, or own a business within the district boundaries and be able to vote in City of Saskatoon elections.

**The board is specifically looking to add board members who are business owners, have experience with large conference-style hotels, or in commercial real estate.**

**The deadline to apply is May 19, 2023.**

[TO APPLY + MORE INFO](#)

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### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Calling all Downtown Businesses, Food Trucks + Artists, the **DOWNTOWN Sidewalk Sale is OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!** Businesses outside the Downtown district are also welcome + encouraged to register. Be sure to **register before deadline: June 6, 2023.**

The **Downtown Sidewalk Sale** draws thousands into our vibrant Downtown and provides the backdrop for three days of fun in the heart of the city. **The 47th annual Downtown Sidewalk Sale will be happening from July 6 to 8** and marks the best time to show thousands of customers everything your business has to offer.

**We can't wait to see you there.**

[INFO + REGISTRATION](#)



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## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Downtown Saskatoon is a vibrant community comprised of great people, places and ideas. Each leaves a lasting, colourful legacy, making this district open and inviting. Here, with gratitude, we celebrate their contributions.

Accepting nominations for our 2023 **LEGENDS DOWNTOWN** celebration.  
Deadline MAY 31.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

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## EVENTS

### CAPITOL CLUB CELEBRATES 9 YEAR'S

Celebrate 9 years at The Capitol Music Club with an 80's Dance Party on May 27th. Original Music Videos will be played of all your favourite 80s stars as everyone celebrates in their best 80s attire.

[EVENT INFO](#)

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### CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Join everyone in Kinsmen Park for four days of fun from June 1st to June 4th as the city celebrates summer in Saskatoon with the **Nutrien Children's Festival**.

The festival enthusiastically kicks off summer in Saskatoon, introducing children across Saskatchewan to cultural events and dynamic public spaces created just for them

[EVENT INFO](#)

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### AND THERE'S MORE...

[MORE DOWNTOWN EVENTS](#)

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## CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

## SUMMER SCHEDULED PHASES

The Downtown Construction Project is now underway. Below are the anticipated timelines for construction scheduled in the 2023 construction season:

- **Phase 1 – 22 nd Street East from 3 rd Avenue North to 4 th Avenue North Underway** Anticipated to be completed by May 25, 2023.
- **Phase 2 – 21 st Street East from 2 nd Avenue South to 3 rd Avenue South**
- **Phase 2A – Sidewalk and Curb Rehabilitation Underway** - Anticipated to be completed by May 12, 2023.
- **Phase 2B – Road Rehabilitation**  
Anticipated to begin May 23, 2023, until May 26, 2023.
- **Phase 3 – 21 st Street East from 4 th Avenue South to Spadina Crescent East**  
Anticipated to begin May 29, 2023, until June 28, 2023.
- **Phase 4 – 21 st Street East from 3 rd Avenue South to 4 th Avenue South**  
Anticipated to begin July 3, 2023, until July 28, 2023.
- **Phase 5 – 3 rd Avenue North from 22 nd Street East to 23 rd Street East**  
Anticipated to begin July 31, 2023, until August 17, 2023.
- **Phase 6 – Spadina Crescent East from 21 st Street East to 22 nd Street East**  
Anticipated to begin August 14, 2023, until September 7, 2023.
- **Phase 7 – 22 nd Street East from 4 th Avenue North to 5 th Avenue North**  
Anticipated to begin September 11, 2023, until September 17, 2023.
- **Phase 8 – 23 rd Street East from 2 nd Avenue North to 3 rd Avenue North Underway** - Anticipated to be completed by May 14, 2023.
- **Phase 9 – 2 nd Avenue South from 20 th Street East to 22 nd Street East and 21 st Street East from 1 st Avenue South to 2 nd Avenue South**  
Anticipated to begin May 29, 2023, until June 15, 2023.
- **Phase 10 – 20 th Street East from Idylwyld Drive South to 1 st Avenue South**  
Details of this phase and timeline are anticipated to be finalized in the coming months



For FULL + DETAILED information download the Downtown Infrastructure Improvement Project package below.

[Sign up with the City of Saskatoon to receive Construction notices directly to your email.](#)

FULL CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

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