

JBNA Directors' Report: April 15th, 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic, and need for physical distancing, have changed communications. The JBNA Board will attempt to keep you informed as to our actions and land use changes.

COVID-19 Physical Distancing:

National Health Authorities, and Provincially Dr. Bonnie Henry continue to advise physical distancing. Locally health and elected officials have stated *"Now is the time for people to remain in their home municipalities and to use the parks and trail systems nearby."*

For many of us, residents of James Bay, that means Dallas Road pathways and Beacon Hill Park. We have enjoyed using the new Dallas pathway as Dallas is the main "walking street". Think of writing to Mayor and Council, telling them how the new pathway permits physical distancing. E-mail councillors@victoria.ca.

James Bay Market: Opening Saturday, May 2nd, 9 am to 1 pm.

The James Bay Market will open on May 2 with only Farmers and food vendors kiosks; no local musicians or seating and Social Distancing will be mandatory

An online store is being created for those who want to come to the market and pickup.

News for gardeners: The JBNA garden volunteers have added a small selection of herb and vegetable seeds to the community pantry in front of James Bay United Church for anyone who needs them. If you have half-packets or extra seeds, feel free to donate them, either directly to the pantry or to Kathryn Pankowski, JBNA Garden Advocate, who can be reached at jamesbaygardens@gmail.com.

Dallas Road Projects:

- Paving of Dallas from Douglas to Lewis should be completed today or tomorrow.
- All the landscaping work is complete up to Holland Point Park.
- Construction at Clover Point Pump Station is scheduled to be complete in the summer, including the new public space amenities.
- Dallas, near the sea-wall, is being prepared for the CRD and City work including the balustrade replacement.
- On-street parking along Dallas will be impacted during this work.

Other Street work in James Bay: Speed-bumps adjacent to parks and schools

As a traffic calming measure, the City is planning to place speed bumps in several areas throughout the City. Currently speed-bump installation is planned for Montreal Street, between Simcoe and Niagara, between April 14 and 22.

Land-Use & Developments: Early stage development review continues during the pandemic.

430 Powell Street: See correspondence at jbna.org.

Village Green - 110/114/122 Menzies and 450/456/458 Niagara: A ZOOM Development Review meeting with the owners is being arranged for later today.

Neighbourhood Local Area Plan Project: The JBNA Board is continuing an internal scoping project related to the upcoming review of the Local Area Plan. Thank-you to those who have volunteered to assist. We will get back to you.

Background documents are available on the [JBNA website](http://jbna.org)

Correspondence: Key correspondence is posted on the jbna.org web-site. Go to jbna.org. Look at top menu, hit "For Information" button, and find correspondence.

Development Proposals: (Details: City Planning @250-361-0523 or [Development Tracker](http://jbna.org) 38 Oswego; 596 Marifield; 121 Menzies; 330-336 Michigan; 415-435 Michigan; 108-114 Niagara; 580-582 Niagara; 567 Simcoe-160 South Turner, 430 Powell Street; Village Green (Menzies/Niagara)