

**CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE
BY-LAW NO. 4156**

A BY-LAW of the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Yellowknife in the Northwest Territories, to provide for a municipal emergency program.

PURSUANT TO Section 7 of the *Civil Emergency Measures Act*, R.S.N.W.T. 1988, c. C-9, and Section 27 of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*, R.S.N.W.T. 1988, c. C-8:

WHEREAS Section 7 of the *Civil Emergency Measures Act* provides that a local authority shall appoint a committee to advise on the development of emergency plans and programs; shall establish and maintain a municipal emergency measures agency; shall appoint a co-ordinator of the municipal agency and establish the duties of the co-ordinator including the preparation and co-ordination of emergency plans and programs for the municipality; and may enter into agreements with and make payments to organizations for the provision of services in the development or implementation of emergency plans or programs. 1983 (1),c.3,s.8.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE, in regular session duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

SHORT TITLE

1. This by-law may be cited as the "**Emergency Measures By-law**".

INTERPRETATION

2. In this by-law;

"City"	means the Municipal Corporation of the City of Yellowknife;
"Council"	means the Council of the City;
"Employee"	means a person employed by the City on a full-time, part-time or term basis;
"Emergency"	means a present or imminent event that is affecting or could affect the health, safety or welfare of people or is damaging or could damage property;
"Emergency Measures Plan"	means the Emergency Measures Plan of the City;

- "Emergency Meeting of Council" means an emergency meeting of Council as described in Section 27 of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*, R.S.N.W.T., 1988, c. C-8;
- "Emergency Co-ordinator" means the person appointed as the Emergency Co-ordinator under Section 6.(1) of this by-law;
- "Mayor" means the Mayor of the City;
- "Municipality" means the geographic area under the jurisdiction of the City of Yellowknife; and
- "S.A.O." means the Senior Administrative Officer of the City or designate appointed pursuant to the *Cities Towns & Villages Act*.
- "State of Local Emergency" means an emergency exists or may exist within the Community, and Council may, by resolution, declare a State of Local Emergency to exist in all or part of the City.

EMERGENCY MEASURES AGENCY

3. (1) An Emergency Measures Agency for the City of Yellowknife is hereby established and shall be comprised of the Emergency Control Committee, the Emergency Response Committee, and such other municipal departments and organizations within the municipality as may be required.
- (2) The members of the Emergency Measures Agency of the City of Yellowknife shall assume such powers, and take such action as outlined in the Emergency Measures Plan.

EMERGENCY CONTROL COMMITTEE

4. (1) An Emergency Control Committee is hereby established.
- (2) The Mayor, Chairpersons of all standing committees and the S.A.O. shall form the Emergency Control Committee.
- (3) The Mayor or his or her designate shall be the Chairperson of the Emergency Control Committee.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE

5. An Emergency Response Committee is hereby established, the membership of which shall be specified in the Emergency Measures Plan, and the Emergency Co-ordinator shall be the Chairperson.

EMERGENCY CO-ORDINATOR

6. (1) The S.A.O. of the City or his/her designate is hereby appointed Emergency Co-ordinator of the City.
- (2) The Emergency Co-ordinator shall have the following duties and responsibilities:
- a) develop, co-ordinate and implement an emergency plan for the municipality as well as test and review the Emergency Plan in cooperation with City Departments and other agencies;
 - b) coordinate all activities of those persons and organizations that may be called upon to assist the City in an emergency response on a regular basis; and
 - c) submit to Council an accounting of the costs of an emergency measures response.
7. The Council may by resolution, declare a state of local emergency to exist in all or part of the municipality, providing:
- a) a Council member has called an emergency meeting;
 - b) notice of the time and place of an emergency meeting has been given to as many Council members as possible in the circumstances;
 - c) those Council members attending an emergency meeting of Council constitute a quorum; and
 - d) the requirements in Section 27 of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* have been met.

- 8. Immediately after the declaration of a state of local emergency the Emergency Control Committee shall:
 - a) give public notice of the declaration as directed or, in the absence of such direction, by whatever means is considered appropriate in the circumstances; and
 - b) forward a copy of the declaration to the Minister responsible for Emergency Measures within the Government of the Northwest Territories.

REPEAL

- 9. By-law No. 3878 is hereby repealed.

EFFECT

- 10. This By-law shall come into effect upon receiving Third Reading and otherwise meets the requirements of Section 57 of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*.

READ a First Time this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2001.

MAYOR

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

READ a Second Time this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2001.

MAYOR

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

READ a Third Time and Finally Passed this _____ day of
_____, A.D., 2001.

MAYOR

CITY ADMINISTRATOR