Generally, the priorities for the 2018 draft budget include:

- **Repairing and replacing aging infrastructure** – This problem is going to take years to solve and in 2018, large amounts of money have been budgeted to help improve and replace roads and water and sewer infrastructures.

- **Maintaining services** – The City plans to maintain the level of services it provides people who live in Yellowknife. Some of the services provided by the City include recreational facilities and programs, as well as summer and winter road maintenance. The City of Yellowknife will work to maintain the current level of services and do everything it can to achieve this in the most cost efficient way.

### 2019-2020 DRAFT BUDGET’S – WHAT’S AHEAD?

Right now, the draft budgets for 2019-2020 look similar to the City’s 2018 Budget. That’s because the main priorities, the need to replace infrastructure and maintain service levels, will remain a focus for the rest of this Council’s term.

**The City will also continue working to:**

- Make sure it can afford its planned spending
- Make housing more affordable for Yellowknifers
- Minimize tax increases
- Lower the cost of living in Yellowknife
- Work with territorial and federal government to address homelessness issue
- Revitalize downtown

### COUNCILS GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

These are set by Council at the start of a new term. Although not all of the goals and related actions appear directly in the budget, they set the tone for decisions made by the City while drafting the budget. The current Council’s 2016-2018 goals include:

1. Better engagement with stakeholders
2. Downtown revitalization
3. Strengthen and diversify the economy
4. Community sustainability
5. Stronger internal working relationships and accountability

To view all of Council’s goals, the related objectives and action items, visit yellowknife.ca and search “Goals and Objectives.”