



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

FIRE BAN

A City of Yellowknife fire ban is in effect until further notice on open air burning fire pits.

Due to current conditions the area is experiencing, the Yellowknife Fire Division implemented a fire ban to reduce the risk of wildland fires within city limits. The fire ban does not affect Canadian Standards Association (CSA) approved propane fueled pits and barbecues.

YELLOWKNIFE FIRESMARTING COMMENCES

The City of Yellowknife would like to advise residents that firesmaring work has commenced in the community.

Heavy equipment will be operating in the sand pits to expand firebreaks. Residents are asked to avoid the work area and follow all signage. City staff have removed sprinklers from community parks and will begin installation in the Kam Lake area.

The City wants to stress that our community is not currently at threat. These measures are precautionary, and more information on the situation will become available as it develops. The City urges residents to remain vigilant and keep fire safety a priority. The City's [Evacuation Framework Overview](#) can be found on [its website](#), and additional information about emergency preparedness can be found on the [GNWT](#) and [Federal Government](#) websites.

Residents looking for more information on firesmaring their own properties can find information on the [City's website](#).

The City will also once again open the Fieldhouse for those looking for relief from the smoke when the air quality hits "high" – 7 or higher - on [Environment Canada's Air Quality Health Index](#). Free access to the indoor playground and walking track will be available. Community members will be notified when free access to these facilities is in effect via the City's social media channels. This is being provided to encourage safe exercise for those at the greatest risk including children, elderly and at-risk populations, and is available to all residents.

The Yellowknife Public Library and Visitor Information Centre also remain open for free public access during regular operating hours.

For the most up-to-date information please visit [www.yellowknife.ca](#), [www.nwtfire.com](#) and follow the City's social media pages, as well as NWT Fire's Facebook page.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The City of Yellowknife is currently seeking volunteers to fill vacancies on the following committees:

- [Heritage Committee](#);
- [Accessibility Advisory Committee](#); and
- [Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development](#).

Applicants should apply online at [www.yellowknife.ca](#) or submit a Letter of Interest to the City Clerk, Yellowknife City Hall, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4; fax (867) 920-5649; or email [cityclerk@yellowknife.ca](#).

2024 BUDGET INPUT

The City of Yellowknife is seeking public input for the development of the 2024 Draft Budget. If there are considerations you would like to see included in this important financial plan, you are invited to make a presentation to Council at its meeting on **September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** Residents can also email their input to budget@yellowknife.ca before **September 11, 2023**.

To make a presentation, please email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca or call (867) 920-5646 before noon on **September 11, 2023** to be included on the list of speakers.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

2023 Summer Reading Club

The City of Yellowknife invites children ages 3 to 12 years old to join the 2023 Summer Reading Club at the Yellowknife Public Library. This year's theme is "A Journey Through Time!" Participants will enjoy weekly time travel-themed stories, crafts, and activities and receive a reading log, stickers and prizes! Registration is required, and spaces are limited, so register today!

Colour Me Happy

Colouring is a great way to de-stress and have fun! Check out our selection of colouring sheets and supplies for adults & teens in the magazine area. Plus, you can submit your masterpiece for a chance to win a great prize!

Book a Librarian

We invite you to meet one-on-one with a librarian to learn how to download e-books, and Audiobooks from the library's collection onto your e-reader, mobile device, or laptop. You can also learn how to use the library's other great digital resources including Rocket Languages and Freegal Music.

To register for a Library Program or for more information, email library@yellowknife.ca, call (867) 920-5642 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/library.

FALL PROGRAM REGISTRATION

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that registration for 2023 Fall Recreational Programs will open on **Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.**

Residents can register for programs online or by calling (867) 920-5683 or (867) 669-3457. To register online, residents must log in or create an account using the instructions provided online. To explore the recreational programming available and to register, visit www.yellowknife.ca/Programs.

SCOOP THE POOP

Did you know there are 23 million coliform bacteria per gram of dog poop?

Pet poop that is left in yards, fields, parks and on sidewalks eventually ends up in Yellowknife rivers and lakes. Dog waste is high in nitrogen and phosphorus which promotes algae growth in ponds and streams. It also can contain Giardia, Parvo, Tapeworms, Roundworms, Salmonella and Coccidia which can linger in soil for years.

Be a responsible dog owner. Scoop the Poop! Keep our community healthy and clean.

DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS NOTICE

The following development permit applications have been approved by the Development Officer. Any persons claiming to be adversely affected by the development may, in accordance with the [Community Planning and Development Act](#), appeal to the Development Appeal Board, c/o City Clerk's Office, tel. (867) 920-5646, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N4. Please note that your notice of appeal must be in writing, comply with the [Community Planning and Development Act](#), include your contact information and include the payment of the \$25 appeal fee. (The appeal fee will be reimbursed if the decision of the Development Officer is reversed).

Date of Decision: **August 9, 2023**
#PL-2023-0042 Lot 28, Block 908, Plan 4727
(203 Kestrel Road)
Intended Development: Site Grading for
New Shop Construction

#PL-2023-0006 Lot 7, Block 69A, Plan 4392 (4901 45 Street)
Intended Development: Dwelling
Variance for Front, Rear, and Side Yard
Setback Requirements

Last Date to Appeal: **August 23, 2023**

Dated the 11th day of August, 2023.

For more information please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Yellowknife is currently offering exciting opportunities for the right people to work alongside our dedicated and community-focused team of City employees in the following positions:

Municipal Enforcement Officer II
August 18, 2023

Lifeguard/Instructor
Until Filled

Water & Sewer Maintainer I
Until Filled

Municipal Engineer
Until Filled

Visit the City of Yellowknife website at www.yellowknife.ca for more information and to submit your application.

PROGRAMS

Multisport Summer Camp (7 - 12 years)

The City of Yellowknife and the NWT Tennis Association are offering a multisport camp for youth who are 7-12 years old. Come out and learn how to play tennis and a variety of other sports. Enjoy a full day of sporting activities. The program will run weekly **Tuesday to Friday starting on August 21 to 25 from 8:00a.m. To 5:00p.m.**

Cricket

Interested in playing cricket this summer? The City of Yellowknife is offering drop in Cricket for teens and adults, aged 15 years and older. Drop in games will take place on Friday evenings from **7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** at the Yellowknife Fieldhouse beginning **until September 8, 2023**. Regular admission applies.

For more information please contact (867) 669-3457 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/programs.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Special Council Meeting

Monday, August 14, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- By-law No. 5063, a by-law to authorizing the City of Yellowknife to dispose of the portion of Lot 3, Block 500, Plan 4224 through a lease agreement for a term of five (5) years, with an option to renew for a further five (5) years.
- By-law No. 5074, a by-law authorizing the City of Yellowknife to dispose of Lot 31, Block 47, Plan 3082 and Lot 26, Block 48, Plan 1804.

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, August 14, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding whether to include and prioritise proposed budget initiatives submitted by Council members.
- A memorandum regarding whether to endorse the six (6) Priority Actions within the Implementation Plan for 2023 and 2024.
- A discussion regarding Access for All.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

College & University Fire Safety

Are you heading off to university or college? Whether it's your first year or last; whether you choose to live on campus or off - fire safety is in your hands. Ensure your new home has:

- A window in each bedroom (second way out), and
- Working interconnected smoke alarms on each level.

Practice fire safety:

- Know your building; Practice your fire escape plan,
- Do not cook if intoxicated – order out.

You have a bright future, don't let fire change it. Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

BICYCLE SAFETY REMINDERS

Cycling Etiquette

- Be courteous - signal to pedestrians and other cyclists by voice, bell or hand signals.
- Obey all signs and rules of the road.
- Be visible - wear bright clothing and reflective gear to help vehicles see you.
- Stay on the right-hand side of the road and ride in the same direction as traffic.

For more information on cycling routes, safety and rules visit www.yellowknife.ca/cycling.

SLOW DOWN

There are multiple construction projects taking place within the City of Yellowknife this summer. Please obey posted signs, respect speed zones and drive attentively. When driving through a construction zone, speeding fines are doubled. Plan ahead when commuting as traffic delays can be expected.

To receive current information on road closures and transit routes and delays, follow Our Yellowknife on Facebook or Twitter or visit www.yellowknife.ca/construction.



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Mayor/City Administrator (867) 920-5693
Booking Clerk (867) 669-3457

Municipal Enforcement (MED) (867) 920-5630
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After Hours (Public Works) (867) 920-5699

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