



# CAPITAL UPDATE

## YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

### SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

#### Monday, December 18, 2023

- Wiley Road from McMeekan Causeway to Franklin Avenue;
- Finlayson Drive North from Range Lake Road to Dagenais Drive; and
- Range Lake Road from Finlayson Drive South to Bourque Drive.

#### Tuesday, December 19, 2023

- School Draw Avenue from Copper Sky to House No. 4301; and
- School Draw Avenue from Lundquist Road to Franklin Avenue.

#### Wednesday, December 20, 2023

- Range Lake Road from Hospital to Finlayson Drive South.

#### Thursday, December 21, 2023

- Hearne Hill Road from McMeekan Causeway to Otto Drive;
- Morrison Drive from Otto Drive South to McMeekan Causeway; and
- Borden Drive from Old Airport Road to Rivett Crescent.

#### Friday, December 22, 2023

- Borden Drive from Rivett Crescent to House No. 301.

Residents must ensure parked vehicles are removed from these streets by midnight, or they will be towed. Residents are advised that there will be traffic delays in snow removal areas and if possible, to use an alternate route to avoid delays. The City asks residents to ensure Curbside Carts are returned to their property before the scheduled snow removal on their street. Thank you for your patience, and remember to use caution in snow removal areas and not to pass moving equipment.

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

#### Garbage

Black Cart Collection for **January 1, 2024** will be picked up the following day on **Tuesday January 2, 2024**.

#### Compost Pick Up

Green Cart Collection (organics) for **December 25, 2023** will be picked up the following day on **December 26, 2023**.

#### Sewage Pumpout

Sewage Pumpout that would normally take place on Christmas and on New Year's day will instead take place on **December 26, 2023 and January 2, 2024**.

#### Water Delivery

Water Delivery that would normally take place on Christmas and on New Year's day will instead take place on **December 24 and 31, 2023**.

#### Christmas Trees

Christmas Trees will be accepted at the Solid Waste Facility free of charge during the month of January.

#### Public Transit

There will be no Transit and YATS Service on **December 25, 2023, December 26, 2023 and January 1, 2024** due to Statutory Holidays. Afternoon Express buses will be cancelled on **December 21 and 22, 2023**. All Express buses will be cancelled from **December 27, 2023** through to **January 3, 2024**. Regular transit service will resume on **Thursday, January 4, 2024**. For more information visit [www.yellowknife.ca/transit](http://www.yellowknife.ca/transit).

### HOLIDAY HOURS

#### City Hall

December 25 - 26  
January 1

CLOSED  
CLOSED

#### Public Library

December 24 - 26  
December 31  
January 1

CLOSED  
CLOSED  
CLOSED

#### Solid Waste Facility

December 24 - 26

CLOSED

#### Ruth Inch Memorial Pool

December 23  
December 24  
December 25  
December 26  
December 27 – 30  
December 31  
January 1  
January 2

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
CLOSED  
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
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11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Multiplex

December 24  
December 25  
December 26  
December 31  
January 1

6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
CLOSED  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Fieldhouse

December 23  
December 24  
December 25  
December 26  
December 31  
January 1

9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
CLOSED  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Yellowknife Community Arena

December 23-January 1

CLOSED

#### Visitor Centre

December 24 - 25  
December 26 - 31  
January 1

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### FREE DOWNTOWN PARKING

The City of Yellowknife is offering free parking from **December 21 to 29, 2023**. The City will not be enforcing parking meters during this period. People working in the downtown and parking for extended periods of time are asked to not park adjacent to storefronts in an effort to provide easier access to these stores throughout the day. All other parking regulations will be enforced - such as fire lanes, handicap stalls, and loading zones. This includes parking restrictions on Franklin Avenue from **3:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday**.

## 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:**  
#PL-2023-0051

**December 8, 2023**  
Lot 61, Block 553, Plan 4089  
(262 Utsingi Drive)  
Intended Development: Worker's  
Accommodation (98-unit) and accessory  
storage building  
Variance for the minimum required  
number of parking spaces has been  
reduced from 96 to 21 spaces  
Lot 62, Block 553, Plan 4089  
(266 Utsingi Drive)  
Intended Development: Temporary Use  
(food and beverage services)  
**December 22, 2022**

#PL-2023-0060

**Last Date to Appeal:**

**Dated the 15th day of December, 2023.**

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

## FROM THE LIBRARY...

### Monthly Book Club

Join us at the Yellowknife Public Library for our monthly book club. Our December discussion features "Christmas at the Vinyl Café" by Stuart McLean. The discussion meeting will take place at the library on **Wednesday, December 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** Join us to share your thoughts, questions, and opinions!

### Holiday Story Stroll

Until **December 23, 2023** during regular library hours, families and friends are welcome to visit the various festive stations, which feature a holiday story for the group to read, a game, and a matching craft. This is a self-directed program, geared towards children ages 3 to 7 years old (maximum 6 children per group). Visit the Front Desk at the Yellowknife Public Library when you arrive for instructions and crafts.

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

## 2024 GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2024 Community Grant Funding Program as well as the Heritage Committee Grant Funding Program. The application deadline for both programs is **Monday, January 15, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**

Through the Community Grant, the City provides funding to non-profit, community organizations that assist in the organization of events, projects or programs that align with Council's Strategic Directions.

Through the Heritage Committee Grant, the City provides funding for groups with projects that celebrate Yellowknife's history and culture.

Full program details, including the types of grants available and the application form, can be found at [www.yellowknife.ca/communitygrants](http://www.yellowknife.ca/communitygrants).

## TENTATIVE AGENDAS

All Governance and Priorities Committee and Council Meetings have concluded for 2023. The tentative 2024 Committee/Council Calendar is now available on the City's website at [www.yellowknife.ca/Council-AndMayor](http://www.yellowknife.ca/Council-AndMayor). Please note that dates and times are tentative and subject to change up to noon on the Thursday before the meeting.

## FIRE SAFETY AND EDUCATION

### Fireworks Regulations & Safety

With New Year's Eve approaching, the City of Yellowknife would like to remind residents that if you would like to set off fireworks, a permit is required. It is free of charge, available at the firehall. Sites to set off fireworks are restricted to Frame Lake, Back Bay, Yellowknife Bay, and Rat Lake. Sky lanterns (small hot air balloons) are prohibited in Yellowknife and in the NWT.

SAFETY:

- Fireworks are explosives and should not be transported,
- Purchase online or locally from a reliable source proving that they meet safety standards.

Learn more at [www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention](http://www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention).

## HOLIDAY LIGHTS COMPETITION

The City of Yellowknife and Northland Utilities invite residents to help brighten up our community by decorating the exterior of their homes. Residents can vote for their favourite homes from **December 16, 2023 to January 7, 2024** via the City's Facebook page, or through an online form. The top 5 festive homes will win a prize! As of **December 16, 2023**, a virtual map of the decorated homes will be available for residents to use as a guide as they check out the lights around town. For more information on how to enter the competition, to view the virtual map and to vote via the online form, visit [www.yellowknife.ca/holidaylightscompetition](http://www.yellowknife.ca/holidaylightscompetition).

## REINSTATING PENALTIES FOR TAXES AND UTILITIES

The City of Yellowknife would like to notify the public that penalties will be reinstated for any taxes and utilities outstanding as of **January 31, 2024**. Penalties will be applied at a rate of 1.8% on all overdue balances on the first day of each calendar month, until overdue amounts are paid in full. Any overdue utility charges as of **December 31, 2023**, will be transferred to property owners' tax accounts. If you are a new owner or a landlord, you should check all utility accounts associated with your property. Call (867) 920-5600 if you do not have a user name and password to access your account.

Please note that if you have had your overdue utility charges transferred to your tax account, your pre-authorized tax payment plan will be cancelled without further notice. For more information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

## MADE IN YK CAMPAIGN

The City of Yellowknife is encouraging Yellowknifers to buy local this holiday season. This year, the City is partnering with various holiday markets to offer customers a chance to win their share of \$4,000 in prizes. #MadeinYK supports Yellowknife made products. Shoppers who attend a holiday market and spend \$20 or more with a vendor carrying locally made products will receive a ballot to enter into the draw. Ballots can be placed in the ballot boxes located at all participating holiday markets. There is no limit to the number of entries submitted. Gift cards ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 will be given away to several lucky winners. For more information and a list of participating markets visit, [www.yellowknife.ca/MadeinYK](http://www.yellowknife.ca/MadeinYK). The winners will be drawn on **December 18, 2023**. Holiday markets looking to participate in this initiative can contact [ecd@yellowknife.ca](mailto:ecd@yellowknife.ca) to learn more.



[www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca)

Switchboard (867) 920-5600  
Mayor/City Manager (867) 920-5693  
Booking Clerk (867) 669-3457

Municipal Enforcement (MED) (867) 920-5630  
After Hours (MED) (867) 920-2737  
After Hours (Public Works) (867) 920-5699

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