



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

Monday, December 10, 2023

- McDonald Drive from Weaver Drive to McMeekan Causeway; and
- 54 Street from Franklin Avenue to 53 Avenue.

Tuesday, December 11, 2023

- 49 Street from 52 Avenue to School Draw Avenue; and
- Finlayson Drive from Kam Lake Road to Range Lake Road.

Wednesday, December 12, 2023

- Franklin Avenue from School Draw Avenue to Weaver Drive;
- Franklin Avenue from 43 Street to 41 Street; and
- Forrest Drive from 51A Avenue to Con Road.

Thursday, December 13, 2023

- Old Airport Road from Kam Lake Road to Byrne Road;
- Old Airport Road from Byrne Road to Kam Lake Road; and
- Con Road from Forrest Drive to House No. 73.

Friday, December 14, 2023

- Old Airport Road from Byrne Road to Range Lake Road;
- Old Airport Road from Range Lake Road to Byrne Road; and
- School Draw Avenue from House No. 4301 to Lundquist Road.

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.

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.

SHOP LOCAL

The City of Yellowknife, Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce and the Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment would like to thank everyone who participated in #ShopYK throughout November. This year, 584 people entered #ShopYK, with purchases made at 90 different Yellowknife businesses.

Congratulations to this year's major winner—Kate Mansfield!

In total 23 prizes were given out. A full list of winners is available at www.shopyk.ca.

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.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Annual Holiday Lights Competition is back for another season! 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.

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. The winners will be drawn on **December 18, 2023**. Holiday markets looking to participate in this initiative can contact ecd@yellowknife.ca to learn more.

BUSINESS LICENCE FEE WAIVER PROGRAM

The City of Yellowknife is taking action to help local businesses and our economy recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the 2023 Wildfire Evacuation. The business licence fee waiver will continue to run until **October 31, 2024**, allowing each eligible business to waive their applicable yearly fee.

For more information and to apply, visit www.yellowknife.ca/apply, email ecd@yellowknife.ca, or call (867) 669-3424.

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).

There are no Development Approvals for December 8, 2023.

Dated the 8th 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

The City invites you to visit our interactive holiday stations at the Yellowknife Public Library!

From **December 8 -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, call (867) 920-5642 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/library.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

Equipment Operator II
Open Until Filled

Lifeguard Instructor
Open Until Filled

Financial Analyst - Term (18 Months)
Open Until Filled

Solid Waste Attendant I
Open Until Filled

Fire Fighter/PCP
Open Until Filled

Heavy Duty Mechanic
Open Until Filled

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



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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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TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, December 11, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding a report regarding Councillor Ben Hendriksen's and Councillor Rob Warburton's travel to Halifax, N.S. to attend the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness Conference from November 7 – 11, 2023.
- A discussion regarding Fieldhouse Engagement.

Council Meeting

Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- Whether to approve the 2023-2026 Council Strategic Directions Implementation Actions.
- A presentation from Derek Lindman, a representative of YK Citizens for Ceasefire, regarding a ceasefire.
- A motion to call on the Federal Government to call a ceasefire in Gaza.
- Whether to appoint Geoffrey Thomas Pothier as a By-law Officer for the City of Yellowknife.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit [Council Calendar](#).

FIRE SAFETY AND EDUCATION

Live Christmas Tree Safety Tips

When choosing that perfect Christmas tree:

- Look for a tree with fresh needles;
- Cut 1" off the butt end of the tree - this aids in drawing water;
- Have a large tree stand and fill it daily – your tree will drink up to 4 liters per day; and
- Place the tree away from heat sources.

A dry tree will burn fiercely if it ignites. Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

NEW FLOORING AT THE FIELDHOUSE

The City of Yellowknife is looking for feedback on what kind of flooring the community would like to see installed on one of the fields at the Fieldhouse. Voters are encouraged to consult with other members of their user group, including program coordinators, before making a decision to ensure they understand which option is best suited to their sport or activity. Residents will have until **Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 9:00 p.m.** to provide their feedback. Residents can complete the poll on the [City's Placespeak page](#) or go to the Fieldhouse during regular working hours to see examples of the two options and vote.

WINTER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that registration for 2024 Winter Recreation Programs will open on **Tuesday, December 12, 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 first [log in or create an account](#). To explore the recreational programming available and to register, visit www.yellowknife.ca/Programs.

FROM THE POOL...

The Ruth Inch Memorial Pool is offering a National Lifeguard Recertification on **December 16, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

[Registration](#) is now open. For more information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5680 or email pool@yellowknife.ca.