



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

IMPACTED CITY SERVICE LEVELS

The City of Yellowknife would like to advise residents that due to the ongoing labour disruption, there are some impacted programs and services.

City Hall

City Hall will be accessible by appointment only for specific services. Residents are asked to visit the [Virtual City Hall](#) for all services available there (like paying tickets and utility bills). Responses to phone and email inquiries will be delayed.

Please visit our Virtual City Hall for the following services:

- Utility payments (can also be paid via mail, drop-box or at your bank);
- Tax Payments (can also be paid via mail, drop-box or at your bank);
- Municipal Enforcement Division tickets.

Yellowknife Public Library

The Yellowknife Public Library is closed. Online Library services will be continued. In-person programs will be paused for the time being.

Residents are asked to not return books at this time, there will be no late fees or charges applied for the duration of the closure.

Solid Waste Facility

The Solid Waste Facility is closed until further notice.

Residents needing to drop off "Honey Buckets" are able to do so on Wednesday afternoons between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. beginning February 15, 2023. Only those disposing of this waste will be permitted.

Ruth Inch Memorial Pool

The facility is closed to the public. Swimming Lessons are suspended until further notice. Winter lessons may resume depending on the length of the labour disruption. Refunds will be issued when staff return. Make up classes will not be scheduled.

Multiplex

The Multiplex is closed until further notice.

Fieldhouse

The Fieldhouse is closed until further notice.

Yellowknife Community Arena

The Yellowknife Community Arena is closed until further notice.

Visitor Information Centre

The Visitor Information Centre is closed until further notice.

Somba K'e Bathrooms

The washroom facilities at Somba K'e Park are closed until further notice.

Outdoor Facilities Ice Rinks and Trails/Playgrounds/Sliding Hill

Outdoor skating rinks, walking trails and other outdoor facilities will not be maintained until further notice

IMPACTED CITY SERVICE LEVELS (CONTINUED)

Waste Disposal

Garbage disposal will change to a weekly pickup schedule, and compost bins will not be collected until further notice. Blue Bin Recycling Stations will not be available until further notice.

The Solid Waste Facility is closed.

Broken garbage carts will not be replaced at this time.

Water Delivery and Sewage Pick-up

These services will continue on its regular basis.

Snow Removal

Non-essential snow and ice clearing activity is suspended.

Transit and YATS

Yellowknife Transit and YATS buses will not be impacted. Passes can be purchased in the following locations:

- Direct Charge Co-op;
- Downtown Reddi Mart;
- Sutherland's Drugs; and
- Village Reddi-Mart.

For YATS passes, please call the City at 867-920-5600.

Programs and Swimming Lessons

All winter programs and lessons will be suspended until further notice. Winter programming and lessons may resume depending on the length of the labour disruption. The City will issue a refund for the affected programs when staff return to work. Make up classes will not be scheduled.

Already purchased Flexi-Passes will be extended to account for missed time periods.

Public Safety

The City assures residents there will be no impact to public safety services. Please continue to call 9-1-1 or 867-873-2222 for public safety emergencies, do not use these lines to contact City staff as residents in emergency situations need to ensure they have an open channel to connect with first responders.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

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

- [Accessibility Advisory Committee](#);
- [Board of Revision](#);
- [Community Advisory Board on Homelessness](#); and
- [Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development](#).

For more information, and to apply, visit our [Committees of Council](#) page, contact the City Clerk at 920-5602 or email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

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. 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: **February 1, 2023**
#PL-2023-0001 Lot 17, Block 309, Plan 4204 (130 Moyle Drive)
Intended Development: Multi-Unit Dwelling Fourplex
Variance for Front and Rear Yard Setback Requirements (The minimum front yard setback was reduced to 2.4m, and the minimum rear yard setback was reduced to 5m)

Last Date to Appeal: **February 15, 2023**

Dated the 10th day of February, 2023.

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

2022 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT DECLARATIONS

The City of Yellowknife has mailed Property Assessment Notices to all ratepayers (persons or businesses responsible for paying property taxes). An assessment is a value placed on property (land and buildings) for municipal and school tax purposes.

Please consult [A Guide to Property Taxes](#) posted on the City's website for information regarding school support declarations and how to file an appeal of your assessment with the Board of Revision. Appeals may only be filed against the assessment values of your property, not the amount of taxes collected. The deadline to file a [School Support Declaration](#) or [Assessment Appeal](#) is **February 20, 2023**.

Property owners can compare assessment with other similar properties in their neighbourhood using the City's online tool, [CityExplorer](#). For land comparisons, ensure similarity of location, lot size and zoning. For building comparisons, ensure similarity of age, quality, style and size.

You may call 920-5634 to speak with someone about your assessment. For more information please visit www.yellowknife.ca.

CONVENIENT WAYS TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES

The City of Yellowknife would like to advise residents that there are many ways to make your tax payments, including:

- Pre-authorized payment, by signing up for the interest-free tax payment plan;
- Through your bank's telephone and online banking systems;
- By mail with a cheque; and
- After hours at the convenient drop box located at City Hall.

In order to sign up for the City's interest-free tax payment plan, your tax account must be current. Your monthly payments must be made by automatic bank withdrawal. To enroll in this service, please complete the pre-authorized payment form on the City's website at www.yellowknife.ca.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

With City Hall closed due to labour disruption, the City of Yellowknife's meetings will be accessible to the public via webcast at www.yellowknife.ca. Any person wishing to speak to an item on the agenda is asked to email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, February 13, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via webcast

- A memorandum regarding whether to approve the recommendations of the City of Yellowknife Community Advisory Board on Homelessness to allocate funding for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.
- A memorandum regarding the Minutes of the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness meeting of January 26, 2023.
- A memorandum regarding the Minutes of the Audit Committee of October 20, 2022.

In Camera

- A memorandum regarding whether to appoint members to serve the Heritage Committee.

Council Meeting

Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. via webcast

- Whether to appoint members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.
- Whether to select properties to auction for tax arrears, when to hold the auction, and what minimum price to establish for each property.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Fire Escape Planning - Keep Exits Clear

Do you have an escape route in case of fire? Ensure your exit routes are not blocked:

- Outside: Maintain snow removal in front of exit doors and pathways;
- Inside: Keep hallways and paths to exits free of clutter; Maintain access to windows – this is your second way out.

Be prepared – it takes very little to ensure fire safety!

Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

With many Yellowknifers out on snowmobiles this season the City reminds everyone to keep these safety tips in mind:

- There are speed limits for snowmobiles - learn and follow them;
- Always drive at a speed that will let you stop safely;
- Be mindful of, and slow down for, other trail users such as hikers, skiers, skaters and dogsleds;
- Valid snowmobile registration and insurance is required when operating in City Limits;
- Helmets are mandatory for all snowmobile riders and operators; and,
- Remember to dress appropriately and let someone know where you're going and when you expect to return.

To help ensure everyone is snowmobiling safely the City's Municipal Enforcement Division regularly patrols lakes and trails.



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Switchboard 920-5600
Mayor/City Administrator 920-5693
Booking Clerk 669-3457

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

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