



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

UPDATE ON CURRENT CITY SERVICES

On Saturday, March 11, 2023, the negotiations teams representing the City and the Union reached a tentative agreement to end the current strike/lockout. Once the agreement is approved by both parties, the strike will be over and the lockout will be immediately lifted. Staff will be welcomed back to work as soon as possible after ratification.

What does this mean for City facilities and programs/services?

The City will reopen in a **phased approach** when ratification is confirmed and staff are back at work. It's important to recognize that City facilities won't reopen immediately and programs and services won't return to normal the day staff return to work. Regulatory and staffing requirements must be met to ensure facilities are safe to reopen and an adequate number of staff are scheduled to work. This preparatory work cannot happen overnight and will not take the same amount of time for each facility.

The City is committed to opening facilities as soon as possible and will release information regularly on the status of reopening in the upcoming days. Please stay tuned to the City's website and social media pages for the most up to date information.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

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

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

The City of Yellowknife is now accepting applications for one (1) representative from non-government Health Organizations, including hospitals and other public institutions, and organizations focused on mental health and addiction.

The purpose of the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) is to assist the City in an advisory capacity regarding homelessness issues within the municipal boundaries of the City of Yellowknife.

The role of the CAB is to:

1. Develop a Community Plan with a comprehensive understanding of homelessness priorities in Yellowknife and recommend for adoption by City Council for submission to the Federal Government for approval.
2. Advise the Reaching Home funding process by ensuring:
 - compliance with the Reaching Home program eligibility and Community Plan;
 - supporting the planning and implementation of Coordinated Access;
 - engagement with Indigenous organizations, key community organizations and individuals to gather pertinent information related to Yellowknife's homelessness priorities;
 - projects are aligned with the federally approved Community Plan priorities;
 - project feasibility, value for money and sustainability are endorsed; and
 - an annual review of the Community Plan.

The deadline for applications is **Friday, March 24, 2023**.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES (CONTINUED)

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Are you looking to make a difference in your community? Why not consider serving as a volunteer member of the newly formed [Accessibility Advisory Committee](#)?

The Accessibility Advisory Committee provides advice to the municipal council on identifying, preventing and eliminating barriers to people with disabilities in municipal programs, services, initiatives and facilities. The committee plays a pivotal role in helping the City of Yellowknife to become an accessible community.

Seven members of the advisory committee must be members of the public that reflect a diversity of the types of accessibility issues faced by residents of our community.

Disability includes a physical, mental, intellectual, learning, or sensory impairment—including an episodic disability—that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders an individual's full and effective participation in society.

Membership may also include individuals representing a broad range of under-served and equity seeking groups such as, but not limited to:

1. Indigenous Peoples;
2. Faith based groups;
3. LGBTQ2S+;
4. Newcomers, new Canadians;
5. Persons living in poverty;
6. Racialized people, people of diverse ethnic or cultural origin;
7. Seniors;
8. Women; and
9. Youth.

Applications are available at www.yellowknife.ca or can be picked up at City Hall. Your completed application may be submitted online, by mail, in person, or by email to cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

For more information about the Accessibility Advisory Committee, refer to the [Terms of Reference](#).

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

TRANSIT

Please be advised that Express Transit routes are cancelled for the next two weeks due to March Break. Full service will resume on **Monday, March 27, 2023**.

WINTER CONDITIONS

Trucked Service Access

The City would like to remind properties on trucked water and sewer to keep access to their service connection points clear of snow and ice. If the connection points are not accessible water delivery and/or sewage pumpout may not occur until access problems have been fixed.

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).

There are no Development Approvals for March 17, 2023.

Dated the 17th day of March, 2023.

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

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT

The City of Yellowknife reminds property owners and ratepayers that the 2023 Interim Tax Levy payment must be received by the City no later than **5.00 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2023.**

The City encourages citizens and businesses to keep their accounts current by using the [City's online services](#), making payments through their banks, mailing or dropping off cheques at the City Hall drop box.

For more information, please call the City at 920-5600.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

Fire Fighter/PCP
Until Filled

Economic Development Officer
Until Filled

Network Administrator
Until Filled

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

SPRING WEATHER SAFETY

With the temperatures rising as we enter spring, the City of Yellowknife would like to remind residents of the following:

- Please clear snow from roofs and awnings to avoid injury to pedestrians walking by your house or business,
- As per Section 113 of the Highway Traffic By-law No. 5055, take care not to splash pedestrians as you drive by,
- Warmer temperatures by day and colder temperatures at night can cause slippery conditions on roads and sidewalks. Please exercise extreme caution in particular in mornings and evenings, and
- Avoid driving in areas where there has been no snow removal such as alleys or cul-de-sacs.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, March 20, 2023 at 12:05 p.m.

- As there were no items for the agenda the meeting has been cancelled.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Preschooler Fire Safety

Children five and under are more than twice as likely to die in fires as are older children. Help keep your children safe by:

- Locking up lighters and matches.
- Teaching children that they can't hide from fire, but they can escape!
- Practicing your fire escape plan:
 - Two ways out (doors, windows)
 - Crawl under smoke
 - Get outside and go to meeting place (tree, driveway...)

No one expects a fire to happen to them. Be prepared!

Babysitter Fire Safety

Parents, provide the following information to your babysitter:

- Your family's fire escape plan including your meeting place outside;
- Your cell # and the emergency # (9-1-1 or 873-2222); and
- Stove and microwave safety (may they use? If yes, stay in kitchen).

Ensure:

- Your smoke alarms are working;
- Matches and lighters are locked away; and
- Candles will not be used.

Keep fire safety front and center.

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.

SCOOP THE POOP!

Pet poop that is left in yards, fields, parks and on sidewalks eventually ends up in Yellowknife rivers and lakes. Scoop the Poop! Keep our community healthy and clean.



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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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