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# YKFLEX BUSES BEGIN SERVICE

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that the new YKFlex vehicle fleet officially begins service on Friday, December 6, 2024.

The YKFlex vehicles will replace the previous Yellowknife Accessible Transit System (YATS), and maintain the same specialized transit service YATS offered but with increased comfort and safety. YKFlex will continue to provide door-to-accessible door service for registered users who are unable to board, ride, or disembark the fixed route transit system with safety and dignity due to a temporary or permanent physical or functional disability.

In addition to the YKFlex vehicles, this year YKTransit introduced a new fleet of conventional buses, which are also wheelchair accessible. As of April 2024, for the first time in Yellowknife, all transit buses can accommodate passengers with reduced mobility.

More information on the features of the YKFlex buses as well as how to access this service can be found on our *website*.

# **SHOP LOCAL**

### **COMMITTEE VACANCIES**

### **Heritage Committee**

The City of Yellowknife is seeking volunteers to fill a vacancy on its Heritage Committee – a body created to help conserve, protect and celebrate the heritage of Yellowknife for the benefit of present and future residents. The City welcomes applications from all interested persons, however, those with a strong knowledge of Yellowknife history are particularly encouraged to apply.

### **Grant Review Committee**

The City of Yellowknife is currently accepting applications for members at large to serve on the Grant Review Committee. This advisory committee reviews all applications and makes recommendations to Council regarding the distribution of Grant Funding.

Individuals interested in these committees should apply online at <u>www.yellowknife.ca</u> or submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4 fax (867) 920-5649; or email <u>cityclerk@yellowknife.ca</u>. The deadline for applications is **Friday, December 20, 2024**.

# **OUTDOOR SKATING RINKS**

Several outdoor skating rinks are now open for your skating enjoyment. City crews continue to flood the rinks to enhance the skating surfaces. Come on out and enjoy our winter wonderland! For up-to-date skating information please visit www.yellowknife.ca.

# **SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE**

#### Monday, December 9, 2024

- Morrison Drive from Sikyea Tili to Otto Drive South; and
- Arden Avenue from Dagenais Drive to Finlayson Drive.

# Tuesday, December 10, 2024

- 44 Street from 52 Avenue to School Draw Avenue; and
- Moyle Drive from Haener Drive to Haener Drive.

### Wednesday, December 11, 2024

- Con Road from 54 Street to House 72B; and
- Con Road from House 108 to Rycon Place.

### Thursday, December 12, 2024

- 49A Avenue from 43 Street to 42 Street and from 49A Avenue to Franklin Avenue;
- Burwash Drive from Forrest Drive to 56 Street: and
- 54 Avenue from 52 Street to School Draw Avenue.

### Friday, December 13, 2024

- 50A Avenue from 57 Street to 54 Street; and
- Herriman Road from Borden Drive to Borden Drive.

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.

### **Sidewalks**

The City would like to remind businesses and residences in the Central Business District, Franklin Avenue from Matonabee Street to Old Airport Road, and Franklin Avenue from 44 Street to School Draw Avenue, to keep the sidewalk(s) around their properties clear of ice and snow, and otherwise safe for pedestrian traffic. Failure to do so may result in a fine or other enforcement action pursuant to Highway Traffic By-law No. 5055. Let's work together to keep our sidewalks safe!

### **Snow Shoveling**

Snow from public sidewalks abutting your property may be placed on the road, however, snow from your driveway or any other portion of your property cannot. Placing unauthorized snow on the road greatly increases snow volumes, and therefore creates unsafe driving conditions. This snow must be placed on your own property.

### **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 PERMIT NOTICES**

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 \$400 appeal fee. (The appeal fee will be reimbursed if the decision of the Development Officer is reversed).

Date of Decision: November 29, 2024

#PL-2024-0098 Lot 29, Block 569, Plan 4690

(115 Braden Boulevard)

Intended Development: Site Grading.

December 13, 2024 Last Date to Appeal:

Date of Decision: December 4, 2024

#PL-2024-0073 Lot 20, Block 38, Plan 65 (5111 51 Street)

> Intended Development: Change of Use to Commercial Retail Sales and Service -

L.J.J. Barbershop.

December 18, 2024 Last Date to Appeal:

Dated the 6th day of November 2024. For more information please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

## 2025 CITY GRANT APPLICATIONS OPEN

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2025 grants available through the City of Yellowknife. The application deadline for all grants is Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the Community Grant Program is to fund and partner with community non-profit organizations to deliver programs, projects or events that align with the funding priorities outlined in the Community Grant Funding Policy, have a clear community impact and respond to community needs. Applications for these three grants are reviewed annually by the Grant Review Committee.

Heritage Committee grants are awarded to Yellowknife-based individuals, groups, partnerships or business entities to promote, celebrate and enhance Yellowknife's rich heritage; or leave a legacy of Yellowknife heritage for future generations through various forms of presentation. Additional information can be found on the *Heritage* Committee webpage. More details on each grant category and the associated online application forms can be found at www.yellowknife. ca/citygrants.

### FROM THE LIBRARY...

# **Travel Talk**

Join Stephanie Yuill at the Yellowknife Public Library on Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. as she recounts her epic 1,000 km bicycle trip along the Western Front of WWI. Stephanie will take us on a visual journey through the trenches and battlefields from the Swiss/French border all the way to Nieuwpoort Belgium, focusing on several sites of historical significance to Canadians.

The City of Yellowknife invites you to register for a Library Program or for more information, email *library@yellowknife.ca*, call (867) 920-5642 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/library.

### **TENTATIVE AGENDAS**

# **Special Council Meeting**

Monday, December 9, 2024 at 12:05 p.m.in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- By-law No. 5099, a by-law to impose a 4% Tourist Accommodation
- By-law No. 5100, a by-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, by amending Parts 5, 14 and 15 of Schedule B to reflect changes approved in Budget 2025.

# **Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting**

Monday, December 9, 2024 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- Annual Report from the City of Yellowknife's Integrity Commissioner.
- A presentation regarding the City of Yellowknife 2025-2028 Tourism Strategy.
- A presentation regarding a New Recruitment Campaign.
- A memorandum regarding whether to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, by amending Parts 5, 14 and 15 of Schedule B to reflect changes approved in Budget 2025.

### In Camera

A memorandum regarding whether to appoint a member to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.

# **Council Meeting**

Monday, December 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- Whether to accept the recommendations for funding by the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB).
- Whether to approve increased levels of service for the Yellowknife Street Outreach Program for 2025, as detailed in the Street Outreach Program (SOP) Evaluation & Design Recommendations report.
- Whether to adopt a resolution in support of NORAD (North American Aerospace Defence Command) and Department of National Defence (DND) investments in Yellowknife.
- Whether to adopt a Sponsorship and Naming Rights Policy.
- Whether to adopt 2025 Budget, and 2026, 2027 Budget in principle.
- By-law No. 5099, a by-law to impose a 4% Tourist Accommodation
- By-law No. 5100, a by-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, by amending Parts 5, 14 and 15 of Schedule B to reflect changes approved in Budget 2025.
- By-law No. 5097, a by-law to repeal and replace Development Incentive Program By-law No. 4534, as amended.
- By-law No. 5098, a by-law to amend Financial Administration By-law No. 4206, as amended.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit *Council Calendar*.

### FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

If you use a propane furnace, stove or other appliance in your home be sure to install a propane gas detector. If you detect a leak at any time, get everyone out of your house. Shut off the gas and call your propane supplier. It's very important for a certified technician to determine that all propane-powered devices are leak free. Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.







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