



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

Monday, February 12, 2024

- 52 Street from 49 Avenue to 54 Avenue; and
- 51 Street from 52 Avenue to Fraser Tower.

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

- 52 Avenue from Ravens Court to 49 Street; and
- All of Horton Crescent.

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

- 52 Avenue from 49 Street to Franklin Avenue;
- All of Beck Court; and
- All of Lamoureux Road.

Thursday, February 15, 2024

- 49 Street from Frame Lake Trail to 52 Avenue;
- 53 Street from 52 Avenue to 53 Avenue; and
- All of Larocque Crescent.

Friday, February 16, 2024

- All of Forrest Park;
- 48 Street from 49 Avenue to 52 Avenue; and
- All of Bourque 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.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Board of Revision

The City of Yellowknife is looking for citizens to sit on its Board of Revision, a body established by statute to hear Yellowknife property assessment appeals, and scheduled to sit on **Thursday, April 11, and Friday, April 12, 2024**. The application deadline is **Friday, February 16, 2024**.

Development Appeal Board

The City of Yellowknife is seeking an individual to fill a vacancy on its Development Appeal Board: an administrative tribunal which hears appeals by persons claiming to be affected by specific decisions made by the Development Officer. The deadline for receipt of applications has been extended to **Friday, February 16, 2024**.

Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development

The City of Yellowknife is currently seeking volunteers to fill vacancies on the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development (MTFED) for one (1) representative from each of the following sectors:

- Retail
- Hospitality

Individuals should apply online at www.yellowknife.ca or submit a letter of application explaining their interest in serving on the Committee to the City Clerk, City of Yellowknife, City Hall, Yellowknife, NT, fax (867) 920-5649; or email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca. For further information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

ASSESSMENT NOTICES

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 19, 2024**.

Property owners can compare their 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.

CITY'S AFTER ACTION ASSESSMENT COMMENCES

The City of Yellowknife committed to reviewing the actions taken by the City in response to last summer's extraordinary wildfire season and the emergency response undertaken.

Through a competitive process, KPMG has been contracted to complete an After Action Assessment to identify best practices demonstrated by the City's response to the 2023 wildfire season, as well as areas for improvement. The After Action Assessment consists of five phases: project initiation, document review, engagement, analysis, and reporting. The KPMG team is currently on Phase 2, reviewing documentation. Phase 3, engagement, is expected to take place mid-February until the end of March. This process will include consultations with partners, stakeholders and the public, and will proceed under KPMG's direction through a combination of a virtual public forum and in-person focus group discussions. More information on opportunities to engage will be shared publicly as it gets closer to this phase.

City of Yellowknife is proactively planning for 2024

The City of Yellowknife has been proactively preparing for the potential 2024 wildfire season since fall 2023. The City has been in the process of updating its Emergency Plan, Community Wildfire Prevention Plan with support from the Government of the Northwest Territories Department of Environment and Climate Change, and completing a Community Wildfire Pre-Plan.

The City is committed to sharing information with residents on preparing for potential wildfire risk and emergencies in general. As these are ready to share, they will roll out to the public this spring.

It is important for residents to take the time to familiarize themselves with emergency preparedness materials and make their own emergency kit. Please understand that each government body plays a unique role in an emergency response, and as such, residents have the responsibility to follow updates regularly. Residents can find more information on emergency preparedness on the Federal Government's [website](#), the GNWT's [website](#), and City's [website](#).

Much of the planning and preparedness actions the City undertakes are collaborative with the GNWT, given respective mandates and resource capacity. The City appreciates the ongoing partnership with GNWT and other partners.

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 February 9, 2024.

Dated the 9th day of February, 2024.

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

WINTER PROGRAMS

Registration for Winter 2024 Recreational Programs is open.

Introduction to American Sign Language Level 2

The City of Yellowknife is offering an Introduction to American Sign Language Level 2 class for ages 15 years and above. In this continuation of Introduction to ASL, learners will build their skills in this beautiful language. Topics include ASL grammar, asking questions, and communicating time and date. All participants must have completed Introduction to ASL Level 1. This program will run on **Monday to Thursday from February 12 to February 15, 2024 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Superheroes Program

The City of Yellowknife is offering a Superheroes program for children 3 to 5 years olds. Join a group of superhero enthusiasts for a morning of exciting adventures and crafts. All supplies are included in the cost of the class. This program will be running on **Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Card Making Program – All Occasion Cards

The City of Yellowknife is offering a card making program in All Occasion Cards. This class is for ages 15 years plus. Join the Card Making Class and always have the right card on hand. Many of the techniques learned can also be used in scrapbooking. All supplies are included in the cost of the program. Card making program will be offered on **Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

To register online, residents must [log in or create an account](#) using the instructions provided. To explore the recreational programming available, visit www.yellowknife.ca/Programs.

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

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

February 12, 2024 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding whether to select properties to auction for tax arrears, when to hold the auction, and what minimum price to establish for each property.
- A memorandum regarding whether to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, to reflect changes approved in Budget 2024.

IN CAMERA

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

Special Council Meeting

February 12, 2024 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- By-law No. 5075, a by-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, to reflect changes approved in Budget 2024.

Council Meeting

February 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- Whether to adopt draft 2024 Budget.
- By-law No. 5075, a by-law to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, to reflect changes approved in Budget 2024.

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

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!

Be Fire Smart! Don't get burned! Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

Tłıchq Language Games Night

The Yellowknife Public Library invites you to come practice speaking Tłıchq Yatì during our weekly games night! Language instructors Georgina Franki and Rosie Benning will host this event on Friday evenings from **5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the library. Language learners of all ages and speaking levels are welcome to join. The program runs until **March 15, 2024**.

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

MARCH BREAK PROGRAMS

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to be offering several fun and engaging programs for kids over March Break. Whether you want to learn new skills in the pool or get creative with arts and crafts during our Day Camp, participants are sure to have a good time. Registration for programs will open on **Monday, February 12 at 9:00 a.m.** and can be done online or by phone at (867) 669-3457. To register online, visit www.yellowknife.ca/programs.



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

Municipal Enforcement (MED) (867) 920-5630
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