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FIRE BAN IN YELLOWKNIFE

Due to extremely dry conditions, the City of Yellowknife implemented a fire ban on July 19, 2024. The fire ban prohibits open air burning and discharging of fireworks within city limits, including the use of approved fire pits, and will remain in effect until further notice. The use of camp-stoves, enclosed BBQs, and Canadian Standards Association (CSA) approved propane-fueled appliances are permitted. Outdoor propane-fueled burners are also permitted for heating and/ or cooking, but must be used within the confines of a fire pit.

Information about fire bans and the fire danger rating can be found on the City of Yellowknife's website under <u>Wildfire Updates</u>.

SIGN UP FOR CITY'S EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

Have you signed up for the City's Emergency Email Notifications? In the event of an emergency, important updates will be sent directly to your inbox so you can easily stay informed. Sign up within the "Alerts" section: www.subscribe.yellowknife.ca/subscribe.

FREE HOME AND PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

The City of Yellowknife Fire Division (YKFD) is conducting free home and property assessments for Yellowknife residents. This assessment will highlight areas of risk and provide specific recommendations of actions and upgrades residents can take to increase their property's resilience to wildfire.

The program's primary purpose is to engage homeowners in voluntary wildfire mitigation activities by offering a home assessment with property-specific recommendations. This program is being offered in collaboration with FireSmart Canada, FireSmart NWT and homeowners in Yellowknife.

Homeowners, business owners and property management companies are invited to call (867) 766-5502 or email to *firehalladministration@ yellowknife.ca* to book a free assessment with YKFD's staff. YKFD will run this program until fall 2024.

PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR 2025 BUDGET

The City of Yellowknife invites residents to help shape the 2025 budget. Residents can submit project proposal(s) from **Wednesday, July 17, 2024 to Friday, August 16, 2024** via an *online form* on the City's website.

This new form allows residents to submit a complete project proposal with a cost estimate, giving consideration to *Council's Strategic Directions* and to tax and service implications. Residents are asked to complete all sections to the best of their ability. The information collected will allow Council to more easily assess the feasibility of the projects proposed and their alignment with Council's objectives. Residents are reminded that the City is not permitted to run a deficit budget, and as such, any increased costs associated with the proposals submitted must be funded through a tax increase or a service/program reduction.

More information on the City budget can be found on our <u>website</u>. For questions related to the 2025 budget development process, email <u>budget@yellowknife.ca</u>. To make a presentation at the Council meeting on **October 15, 2024**, email <u>cityclerk@yellowknife.ca</u> or call (867) 920-5602 by **October 10, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.**

FROM THE POOL...

RIMP Summer Schedule

The Ruth Inch Memorial Pool has an updated summer schedule until August 24, 2024! Make sure you take a look before making your way to your favourite swims.

New Teen Swim

A teen swim has been added to the schedule for those aged 12 to 17 on Friday evenings from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., featuring dimmed lighting and louder music.

New Adult Lane Swim

An adult lane swim has been added to the schedule on Saturdays for the rest of summer, **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

RIMP Summer Swimming Lessons

There's still a few spots left in the City's summer swimming lessons for July and August! Visit www.yellowknife.ca/programs to view the classes.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

City Day Camp Program

A summer packed with new activities and challenging projects awaits your child at the Summer Day Camp. This program is based out of the Multiplex and will run **until August 16, 2024.** For more information on City programs, call (867) 669-3457 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/programs.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

2024 Summer Reading Club

The Yellowknife Public Library invites children ages 3 to 12 years old to join the 2024 Summer Reading Club running until **August 9, 2024.** This year's theme is "A World of Curiosities!" There will also be an end of program party the week of **August 12, 2024!** The deadline to submit completed reading logs for the grand prize draw will be **September 3, 2024.** To register for a Library Program or for more information, email <u>library@yellowknife.ca</u>, call (867) 920-5642 or visit <u>www.yellowknife.ca/library</u>.

TRANSIT

Old Town Ramble and Ride

In celebration of the Old Town Ramble & Ride festival, the City of Yellowknife is offering free transit service for all routes and YATS on Saturday, August 3, 2024. McDonald Drive will be closed to traffic to facilitate the festival on Saturday, August 3 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Sunday, August 4 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Saturday, Bus Route C will follow a detour route, as two bus stops along McDonald Drive will be closed. Please visit www.yellowknife.ca/transit for more details and schedules.

SCHOOL DRAW PARK

The City of Yellowknife would like to advise residents that the resurfacing project for the multipurpose court within School Draw Park commenced on Wednesday, July 24, 2024 and will continue until completed. During this time, barricades will be set up in the construction area and residents are asked to stay clear of moving equipment.

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).

Date of Decision: July 23, 2024

#PL-2024-0046 Lot 25, Block 521, Plan 1238

(108 Dagenais Drive)

Intended Development: Accessory

Building (Garage)

Variance: The maximum driveway width has been increased from two car widths to four car widths for a total driveway

width not to exceed 10.28m

#PL-2024-0046 Lot 8, Block 560, Plan 2180 (480B Range

Lake Road)

Intended Development: Two Permanent

Signs (BMO Bank of Montreal)

Last Date to Appeal: August 6, 2024

Dated the 26th day of July, 2024.

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

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Heritage Committee Vacancy

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. For more information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5602.

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

The City of Yellowknife is now accepting applications for one (1) representative from an organization serving women/families fleeing violence on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness. 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. For more information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5685.

Individuals intrested in either committee should apply online at www. yellowknife.ca or submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4 fax 920-5649; or email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca. The deadline for applications has been extended to Friday, August 9, 2024.

AFTER ACTION ASSESSMENT – 2023 NORTH SLAVE **COMPLEX WILDFIRES**

KPMG, a third-party consulting firm, has finished its After Action Assessment of the City's response to the 2023 North Slave Wildfire complex. The full report is posted on the City's website for the public to read, which the City committed to from the beginning of this

Since last year's events, the City has been improving a number of its emergency preparedness measures. With this completed After Action Assessment, staff will continue their hard work to implement the recommendations made.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

There are no regular meetings of Council or its Standing Committees scheduled for the week of July 26, 2024. Regular meetings will resume August 26, 2024.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit Council Calendar.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Kitchen Fire Procedures

Fire in your Microwave:

Unplug or turn off power; keep door closed to smother the fire.

Fire in your Oven:

Turn off the power; keep door closed to smother the fire.

Pot Fire on your Stovetop:

- Turn off the power; and
- Slide a tight-fitting lid on the pot, OR extinguish with baking soda.
- If the fire is too big, exit the building.
- In all cases, call the emergency # at 9-1-1 or (867) 873-2222.

Stay in the kitchen when cooking!

Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

> Manager, Asset Management and GIS Closing Date August 16, 2024

Manager, Economic Development and Communications Closing Date August 12, 2024

> Regulatory and Environmental Specialist II Closing Date August 6, 2024

> > Financial Analyst Closing Date August 2, 2024

Works Maintainer (Term - 6 months) Closing Date July 30, 2024

Part-Time Casual Cashier - Solid Waste Facility Closing Date July 30, 2024

Casual Part-Time - Lifeguard or Instructor **Until Filled**

> Fire Fighter/PCP Until Filled

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

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.





