



# CAPITAL UPDATE

## YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

### 2022 PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

Property Assessment Notices have been mailed out 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. Assessed values provide a means of distributing taxes among ratepayers in Yellowknife.

Compare your assessment with other similar properties in your neighbourhood using our 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.

Please consult the "[2022 A Guide to Property Taxes](#)" posted at the City's website at [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca) 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. You may call 920-5664 or 920-5625 to make appointment with the Assessor or speak with someone about your assessment.

The deadline to file a School Support Declaration or Assessment Appeal is **February 21, 2022**. For more information please visit [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca).

### SENIOR & DISABLED PERSONS TAX RELIEF

The City would like to advise ratepayers who are currently receiving senior and/or disabled grants that the process for distributing this grant has changed. The annual grant amount remains at a maximum of \$2,000, however starting in 2022 the eligible amount will be split equally between the Interim Tax Notice in January and the Final Tax Notice in June. Previously the full amount was applied to the Interim Tax Notice.

How will this change affect you? The Interim Tax Notice will have half the grant credited, therefore, there may be a balance owing due for payment by the **March 31, 2022** deadline. The Final Tax Notice will also have half the grant credited and payment of the remaining balance will be due on **August 31, 2022**.

Any Senior or Disabled person who has setup their property tax account with the monthly Tax Interest-Free Pre-Authorized Payment Plan (TIPP) will have NO changes to the monthly payment amount. Therefore, no action is required by you.

For more information, please contact the City at 920-5664.

### WINTER TRAFFIC SAFETY TIPS

The City of Yellowknife wants to remind drivers of a few winter driving safety requirements:

- Always clear excess snow from your vehicle and windshield. Excess snow can obstruct the view of the driver or fly off and land on other cars creating hazards for drivers;
- Ensure your windows are fully defrosted before driving. Driving without adequate view can result in a \$100 penalty;
- During reduced visibility, turn on your headlights! This also turns on your taillights which allows drivers to see you from behind during ice fog and snow; and
- Drive to the conditions. Snow and ice reduce traction, which means you require more stopping distance. Follow at a safe distance and reduce your speed.

Plan your ride and arrive alive, don't drink and drive!

### CITY FACILITIES TO REOPEN AND SERVICES TO RESUME

Following the latest recommendations from the Government of the Northwest Territories, Office of the Chief Public Health Officer (OCPHO), the City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce the reopening of City facilities and select programming. Effective **Saturday, January 22, 2022**, facilities will begin opening to the public. Opening hours may differ and additional restrictions will remain in place in line with OCPHO orders.

See the latest City facilities schedule below:

#### City Hall

**8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday from Monday, January 24, 2022.**

#### Yellowknife Public Library

Open during regular business hours from **Saturday, January 22, 2022**. Full schedule: [www.yellowknife.ca/library](http://www.yellowknife.ca/library).

#### Field House

Indoor track will be open for use during regular operating hours from **Saturday, January 22, 2022**. Indoor fields are available for family/household rentals only (no mixing of households permitted pursuant to OCPHO). Full schedule and rental information: [www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive](http://www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive) or call 669-3457.

#### Multiplex

Ice times are available for family/household rentals only from **Saturday, January 22, 2022**, during regular operating hours. Rental information: [www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive](http://www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive) or call 669-3457.

#### Solid Waste Facility

**11:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Tuesday to Saturday**, for Public Drop Off and Salvaging.

#### Yellowknife Public Transit and YATS

Regular service, including all Express Bus routes, will resume on **Monday, January 24, 2022**. Full schedule: [www.yellowknife.ca/transit](http://www.yellowknife.ca/transit).

#### Programs

Select City programming will resume but high-risk activities continue to be suspended. Full details: [www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive](http://www.yellowknife.ca/gettingactive).

The Ruth Inch Memorial Pool and Yellowknife Community Arena remain closed at this time.

Masks or facial coverings are mandatory on Yellowknife Public Transit, and in all indoor City facilities as directed by the OCPHO. Screening, proof of vaccination, physical distancing and capacity restrictions remain in place. For the latest City information on COVID-19, visit [www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19](http://www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19).

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

#### Preschool

February 19 Trip to the Zoo (3 - 5 years)

#### Youth

February 12 Advanced Bouldering (6 - 12 years)

#### Teen & Adult

March 1 Teen / Adult Climbing

For information on City programs and to register visit [www.yellowknife.ca/programs](http://www.yellowknife.ca/programs) or call 669-3457.

## 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 January 21, 2022.**

**Dated the 21st day of January, 2022.**

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

## SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

### Monday, January 24, 2022

- Wiley Road from McMeekan Causeway to Franklin Avenue; and
- Finlayson Drive North from Range Lake Road to Dagenais Drive; and
- Range Lake Road from Finlayson Drive South to Bourque Drive.

### Tuesday, January 25, 2022

- School Draw Avenue from Copper Sky to House 4301; and
- School Draw Avenue from Lundquist Road to Franklin Avenue.

### Wednesday, January 26, 2022

- Byrne Road from Woolgar Avenue to McMahan Trail; and
- Taylor Road from Forrest Drive to Sissons Court; and
- Norseman Drive from Franklin Avenue to Old Airport Road.

### Thursday, January 27, 2022

- Morrison Drive from Sikyea Tili to Otto Drive South; and
- Finlayson Drive from Banke Crescent to Dagenais Drive.

### Friday, January 28, 2022

- Borden Drive from Rivett Crescent to House 301 and;
- All of Sissons Court.

Snow removal begins at **12:00 a.m.** and takes place during the early morning to avoid conflicts with motorists, pedestrians and children at play.

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.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently offering exciting opportunities for the right people to join and work alongside the dedicated and community focused team of professionals in the following positions:

Program Manager

**Closing Date of January 24, 2022**

Grant Writer and Funding Analyst

**Closing Date of February 11, 2022**

Please visit the City of Yellowknife website at [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca) for more information and to submit your application.

## TENTATIVE AGENDAS

On the advice of the Chief Public Health Officer concerning gatherings, the City of Yellowknife's meetings will be accessible to the public via webcast at [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca). Any person wishing to speak to an item on the agenda is asked to email [cityclerk@yellowknife.ca](mailto:cityclerk@yellowknife.ca).

### Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

**Monday, January 24, 2022 at 12:05 p.m. via webcast**

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

### Council Meeting

**Monday, January 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via webcast**

- Whether to appoint Stacie Smith as Deputy Mayor and maintain the existing memberships on Committees of Council.

## FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

### Carbon Monoxide (CO) Safety

There is a reason that Carbon Monoxide is called the silent killer. It can build up in your home without your knowledge. Some causes are chimney liner collapse (due to ice buildup), blocked air intakes (due to ice and snow buildup), malfunctions of heating system or propane-fired equipment, or vehicle running in your garage or close to air intake.

Keep your home safe by installing CO alarms close to your bedrooms. Test them monthly and replace after 7 years.

CO Poisoning Prevention:

- Maintain your chimney, furnace, fireplace, woodstove, and propane appliances. REMOVE ICE BUILDUP.
- Run your vehicle outside, and away from air intakes.

Response:

- If your CO alarm activates, or symptoms appear (nausea, headache, burning eyes, confusion & drowsiness), get everyone outside and call 873-2222.

We care about your safety.

Learn more at [www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention](http://www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention).

## FROM THE LIBRARY...

### Monthly Book Club

The City of Yellowknife invites you to join us at the Yellowknife Public Library for a monthly book club. Our January discussion features "Her Name was Margaret: Life and Death on the Streets" written by Denise Davy. The discussion meeting will take place on **Monday, January 31, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.** in an online meeting format. Join us and share your thoughts, questions, and opinions.

Special guest Denise Davy will be joining us to talk about her book and answer questions!

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

## 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. The City is waiving business licence fees for eligible small and medium-sized businesses when renewing their licence, until **September 1, 2022**.

For more information, all eligibility criteria, and to apply, visit [www.yellowknife.ca/apply](http://www.yellowknife.ca/apply), email [ecd@yellowknife.ca](mailto:ecd@yellowknife.ca), or call 669-3424.



[www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca)

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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