



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

Monday, March 7, 2022

- 52 Street from 52 Avenue to 54 Avenue;
- All of Lamoureux Road; and
- All of Bourque Drive.

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

- Old Airport Road from Byrne Road to Kam Lake Road; and
- All of Bromley Drive and Bromley Court.

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

- Old Airport Road from Franklin Avenue to Byrne Road;
- 51 Street from 52 Avenue to Fraser Tower;
- 53 Street from 52 Avenue to 53 Avenue; and
- All of Larocque Crescent.

Thursday, March 10, 2022

- Lane between Fraser Tower and 49 Street; and
- All of Kasteel Drive.

Friday, March 11, 2022

- All of Beck Court; and
- All of Hordal Road.

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.

ARTS & CULTURE MASTER PLAN – HAVE YOUR SAY

The City of Yellowknife is developing an Arts & Culture Master Plan to support arts and culture in our community and allow it to thrive. The Arts & Culture Master Plan will help identify priorities, provide direction, and anticipate challenges ahead. To develop the Plan, the City is working with Nordicity, a consulting firm with expertise in strategic planning for the arts and culture sector.

How to Participate

As an integral part of the development process, the City and Nordicity want to hear from the Yellowknife community. One way that we will do this is through a survey. The goal of the survey is to understand priorities, needs and opportunities around arts and culture in Yellowknife. The survey should take 5-10 minutes to complete and can be accessed [here](#). Be sure to finish your response before **Monday, March 14, 2022**.

What Will Happen Next

Nordicity will analyze the results of this survey as a neutral, independent third party. Responses to this survey will remain individually confidential, and only the combined responses may be made public. Individual responses will never be shared with external parties. The City encourages Yellowknifers to complete the survey, supporting and contributing to the City of Yellowknife Arts and Culture Master Plan.

CITY LIFTS PROOF OF VACCINE POLICY AND CAPACITY RESTRICTIONS

The City of Yellowknife has implemented changes to the proof of vaccine requirements and capacity restrictions, in accordance with the Government of the Northwest Territories Office of the Chief Public Health Officer's (OCPHO) recent announcement that as of **March 1, 2022**, gathering restrictions and the Proof of Vaccine Program for businesses will no longer be in effect.

The Proof of Vaccine Policy (POV) at City facilities has been rescinded and POV is no longer required at any City facility, program or event. The City has also removed the need to complete COVID-19 screening and contract tracing before entering City facilities, programs and events. Capacity restrictions have also been lifted at City facilities, for City programming and events, and on Yellowknife Public Transit.

Masks or facial coverings remain mandatory in City facilities and on Yellowknife Public Transit as per the OCPHO Order and By-law No. 5028.

What can we continue to do?

- Wash your hands frequently, with soap and warm water, for at least 20 seconds; and
- If you become ill, stay home, look after yourself and encourage those you know who are sick to do the same.

For the latest City information on COVID-19, visit www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

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.

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.

The deadline for applications has been extended to **Friday, March 11, 2022**. For more information about the Accessibility Advisory Committee, refer to the terms of reference at www.yellowknife.ca, or contact Kerry Thistle at 867-920-5633 or kthistle@yellowknife.ca.

Applicants 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; email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca; or fax 920-5649.

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, email ecd@yellowknife.ca, or call 669-3424.

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.)

Date of Decision: February 25, 2022
#PL-2022-0013 Lot 20, Block 309, Plan 4204
(3 Sterling Court)
Intended Development: Moving a Home Based Business (Art Studio)

#PL-2022-0014 Lot 20, Block 309, Plan 4204
(3 Sterling Court)
Intended Development: Home Based Business (Reiki Studio)

Last Date to Appeal: March 11, 2022

Dated the 4th day of March, 2022.

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

FROM THE LIBRARY...

Calm Abiding Meditation with Raging Raven

Join us Wednesdays from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. in the Yellowknife Public Library Meeting Room for Samatha Vipassana meditation. This calm abiding meditation involves sitting and walking. All are welcome, and instruction is provided. Drop ins are welcome. Calm abiding meditation, Runs on **March 2, 9, and 30, 2022.**

Poetry in Art

The City of Yellowknife Public Library is home to dozens of paintings, drawings, photographs, sculptures, and tapestries. Come, tour the collection, and write a poem inspired by a work of art that speaks to you. Selected poems will be displayed in the library alongside the associated artwork, and poets will be invited to participate in a live poetry reading tour of the library in April to celebrate Poetry Month. The deadline for entry is **March 28, 2022.** Poets of all ages are encouraged to participate.

Monthly Online Book Club

The City of Yellowknife invites you to join us at the Yellowknife Public Library for a monthly book club. Our March discussion features "Why Fish Don't Exist" written by Lulu Miller. The discussion meeting will take place in an online format on **Monday, March 28 at 6:00 p.m.** Join us and share your thoughts, questions, and opinions.

Digital Storytelling Workshop with DigitalNWT

The City of Yellowknife invites you to register for a Digital Storytelling Workshop provided by DigitalNWT at the Yellowknife Public Library.

This two-day, program will cover how to plan, record, edit, and share a digital recording project. Eligible participants who complete the workshop will receive a free refurbished laptop donated by, Yellowknife-based, Computers for Schools along with a digital literacy kit.

The workshop will take place in the Yellowknife Public Library Meeting Room on **Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** and continue on **Sunday, March 27, 2022 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

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

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee and Council meetings will be held in person **March 7** virtual **March 14 and 21** and in person from **March 28 on.** The City of Yellowknife's meetings will be accessible to the public via webcast at www.yellowknife.ca. Any person wishing to speak to an item on the agenda is asked to email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, March 7, 2022 at 12:05 p.m.

- A memorandum regarding whether to amend Schedule A of By-law No. 5045, a by-law to repeal and replace Zoning By-law No. 4404, for the purpose of incorporating public comments received at the Statutory Public Hearing.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Apartment Complex Fire Safety Part 2 – Fire Safety Systems

Apartment fire safety maintenance is the tenant's responsibility. Make sure that:

- The smoke alarm(s) in your unit are tested monthly and are in good working condition;
- Nothing is hanging from the sprinkler heads or sprinkler piping in your unit; and
- All fire doors in common hallways & stairwells stay closed. In case of fire, this is to ensure smoke doesn't block your way out.

Fire Safety is up to you – protect yourself. Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

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:

Term Communications Officer
Closing Date of **March 11, 2022**

Equipment Operator II
Closing Date of **March 11, 2022**

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

DRAFT BUILDING BY-LAW

On **February 28, 2022**, the City of Yellowknife brought forward a proposed new Building By-law to Council during the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting. The NWT Cities, Towns and Villages Act gives the City authority to regulate construction practices and standards in Yellowknife, and the City does this through the Building By-law. The current Building By-law, adopted by the City in 2008, is being updated. The new Building By-law adopts the National Building Codes rather than rewriting them within the By-law. The By-law is clear, easy-to-follow and will remain up to date. As National Building Codes are updated, the changes will flow through to the City's Building By-law. Explore the key elements of and changes to the Building By-law by using our subject-specific 'Fast Facts':

- [Background;](#)
- [Building Standards and Enforcement;](#)
- [Construction: Building for a Northern Climate;](#)
- [Mechanical Systems; and](#)
- [CityView: Features and Benefits.](#)

To review the Building By-law, and learn about the changes and what they could mean for you, visit www.yellowknife.ca/BuildingBylaw, email BuildingBylaw@yellowknife.ca, or call 920-5600.



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Mayor/City Administrator 920-5693
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