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# **UPDATED INFORMATION ON COVID-19**

All essential City services are continuing. For detailed information on the City's response to COVID-19, visit <a href="www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19">www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19</a>.

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to be planning the re-opening of City programs, services and facilities, in line with the GNWT's recent 'Emerging Wisely' announcement. Residents can contact the City by emailing CustomerService@yellowknife.ca or calling 920-5600.

# City Playgrounds and Outdoor Recreation Areas Open

All City playgrounds and outdoor recreation areas are now open and asks residents to follow all Public Health Orders and guidance of the Chief Public Health Officer.

Children 12 years of age and under may engage in outdoor play or sports with one another and are not required to maintain a minimum distance from one another while so engaged in outdoor play or sports. If you are sick, please do not enter the area. Please gather in groups of 25 or less, and ensure proper hand sanitizer is used (self-supplied), before and after the use of any equipment.

## **Strirling Park Closure**

Stirling Park will be closed for maintenance, beginning **Monday, June 1, 2020**, and continuing until work is completed. For a list of alternative City playgrounds and parks, visit <a href="www.yellowknife.ca">www.yellowknife.ca</a>.

# **SOLID WASTE FACILITY**

## **Compost Collection**

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce the return of the regular bi-weekly cart collection schedule. Green Cart collection will begin **June 1 - 5**, and Black Cart collection from **June 8 - 12**, alternating weeks moving forward. Please ensure to have the proper bin set out on your collection day.

After **May 29**, excess waste may be brought to the Solid Waste Facility during public access hours for disposal in the Public Drop-off Area. Salvaging is not permitted at this time. Residents can view their personalized Curbside Cart Collection schedule by entering their address in the "My Schedule" section of the City's website <a href="www.yellowknife.ca/garbage">www.yellowknife.ca/garbage</a>.

#### **Tarp Your Load**

It is an offence under the Solid Waste Management By-law to convey garbage, trash, refuse or construction waste in the city unless the load is enclosed in the vehicle or covered with a tarpaulin, or similar cover and/or properly secured, to prevent any part of the load from falling off or out of the vehicle. There is a fee of \$64.75 for unsecured loads as per the consolidated Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436. Please note that this fee is being charged at the gate house in addition to the regular fees.

# **Be Mindful of Waste Practices**

The City asks residents to be mindful of their waste practices and not to flush baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, shop towels, or other similar products.

These types of materials, even when labelled 'flushable,' increase sewage system blockages and potential damage to personal property! Let's work together to keep our pipes clean!

# CELEBRATING WOMEN OF INFLUENCE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The City's very own long time Yellowknifer and City Administrator, Sheila Bassi-Kellett, was recognized this week with a 'Women of Influence in Local Government' award! This award, presented by Municipal World, celebrates remarkable women who have made significant contributions to the field of local government. To learn more about Sheila's contributions to local government in the North, visit <a href="https://www.municipalworld.com">www.municipalworld.com</a>.

# **CONSTRUCTION SEASON**

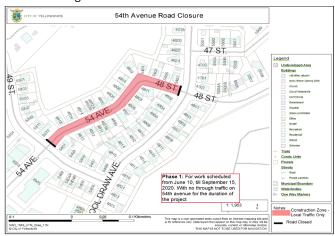
Construction season is expected to begin by the first week of June. To receive current information on road closures and delays, visit our website at <a href="https://www.yellowknife.ca/construction">www.yellowknife.ca/construction</a>.

## **Old Airport Road Lane Closure**

The City of Yellowknife wishes to inform residents that southbound traffic on Old Airport Road from Range Lake Road to Byrne Road will be closed for paving construction beginning **Monday**, **June 1**. Traffic will be detoured into the north bound lanes between Byrne Road and Range Lake Road which will feature two-way traffic. The detour will remain in place until work is completed. Please obey all traffic signage and remember to reduce your speed when traveling through construction zones.

## 54th Avenue Road Closure

Summer Water and Sewer work will be starting on 54th Avenue approximately **June 1, 2020**. Please see the following Road Closure plan for work being carried out over the summer.



# **PATIO SEASON**

The City of Yellowknife is excited to continue to offer the sidewalk patio incentive to eligible property owners. Restaurant owners, located in designated areas within the downtown, can apply for up to \$10,000 towards the installation of a sidewalk patio.

In recognition of the economic impact of the current pandemic on all local businesses, the City urges business owners to get creative and to contact us directly to discuss alternative ways to facilitate business un-der the physical distancing requirements. For more information and to apply for a City of Yellowknife patio incentive, visit <a href="https://www.yellowknife.ca">www.yellowknife.ca</a> or contact us at 920 - 5600.

#### 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: May 26, 2020

#PL-2020-0112 Lot 72, Block 501, Plan 4746 (224 Hall

Intended Development: Variance for the

Side Yard Setback

The Side Yard distance for Lot 72 has been reduced from 2.40m to 2.11m (Variance

of 12.08%)

Lot 11, Block 569, Plan 4690 (108 Braden #PL-2020-0139

Boulevard)

Intended Development: Grading and

Blasting

Date of Appeal: June 9, 2020

Dated the 29th Day of May, 2020 For more information please contact the City of at (867) 920-5600.

#### **COMMITTEE VACANCIES**

The City of Yellowknife is now accepting applications for the following committees:

- Audit Committee:
- Heritage Committee;
- Community Advisory Board on Homelessness: and
- University/Post-Secondary Advisory Committee.

Individuals should apply online at www.yellowknife.ca/committees. The deadline for receipt of application(s) has been extended to Friday, June 5, 2020. For more information, please call 920-5600.

# **BIKE RODEO**

The City of Yellowknife sponsors an annual Bike Rodeo. The program is for elementary-aged children and is designed to encourage safe bike riding techniques. Children receive a free helmet if they need one. They also ride their bikes through an obstacle course and learn how to obey traffic signals.

This year, due to Covid-19, the City will be providing a virtual Bike Rodeo with bike safety videos posted online. Municipal Enforcement will also be working with the City's Community Services division to organize smaller gatherings of children in outdoor settings to take part in the obstacle course and safety training. More details coming soon.

# **EXPLORE YELLOWKNIFE!**

Every Friday in June and July, the City will release a clue that describes a park, trail, or playground location in Yellowknife. In each location there will be a challenge for residents to complete. To participate, residents will need to solve the weekly clue, head to the location, complete the challenge and then submit it to the City to be entered into the weekly and grand prize draws!

For more information, visit www.yellowknife.ca/explore.

#### **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. Any person wishing to speak to an item on the agenda is asked to email cityclerk@ yellowknife.ca.

## **Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting**

#### Monday, June 1 2020 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding whether to amend Fees and Charges By-law No. 4436, as amended, by amending Parts 1, 4, 8, and 12 of Schedule B to reflect Community Services User Fee changes approved in Budget 2020 and to introduce minor fee adjustments to reflect current best practices.
- A memorandum regarding whether to adopt the 2020 Municipal Tax Levy and 2020 School Tax Levy by-laws.
- A memorandum regarding whether to approve the repair and repainting of the Bristol Freighter in 2020.
- A memorandum regarding whether to authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 from the Heritage Committee budget for the Musicians of the Midnight Sun podcast series.
- A discussion regarding a request from United Way NWT and the Yellowknife Community Foundation regarding their Together We Are Strong Community Response to COVID-19 campaign.
- A memorandum regarding the Heritage Committee Minutes for April 8 and April 30, 2020.

To view the agenda, visit calendar.yellowknife.ca.

#### FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

## **Hand Sanitizer**

Fact: Hand sanitizer contains alcohol which evaporates quicky. Until your hands are completely dry, be cautious around open flame (BBQ, gas stove, fire pit, smoking, etc.).

**Fiction:** A bottle of hand sanitizer will start a fire in a hot environment (i.e. in your vehicle that is left in the sun). Alcohol requires an open flame to ignite - it will not auto-ignite.

For more information on how to practice fire safety while working and schooling from home, visit www.yellowknife.ca/ykfd/prevention.

## RV FILL STATION AND COMMUNITY GARDEN

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that the Recreational Vehicle Water line is now in service at Pumphouse #4, located on the corner of Old Airport Road and Kam Lake Road.

Community Garden Water Lines will be completed and turned on no later than the morning of June 10.

# RECREATION PROGRAM VIDEOS

The City of Yellowknife's program instructors have been busy creating some videos of activities for you try while social distancing.

Activities include; Learn Basic Sign Language, Card Making and Fun Science Experiments.

Check out the videos on the City of Yellowknife's programs page at wwww.yellowknife.ca.

