



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

CITY FACILITIES TO REQUIRE PROOF OF COVID-19 VACCINATION

Effective **Monday, November 29, 2021** pursuant to the City of Yellowknife Proof of Vaccine Policy all City of Yellowknife Facilities will require proof of COVID-19 vaccination upon entry.

All visitors are required to complete a Contact Tracing Form prior to entering any City Facility. Anyone 12 years of age and older must be able to provide their proof of vaccination status (or an official vaccine exemption letter). Individuals 19 years of age and older must also be able to provide proof of identification. This policy will be in place at the following facilities as of **November 29, 2021**:

- City Hall;
- Field House;
- Ruth Inch Memorial Pool; and
- Yellowknife Public Library.

The Multiplex will continue to operate under the limits established in the OCPHO Gatherings Order and proof of vaccination will not be required until screeners are in place. The City will advise the public when proof of vaccination will be required at the Multiplex.

Participants of User Groups that have an approved 'Application to Vary' from Public Health Order Requirements entering a City facility and whose vaccination status has been verified by the User Group will not be required to provide proof of vaccination upon entry.

For the latest facility schedules, visit www.yellowknife.ca. For availability and booking information please visit www.yellowknife.ca/en/getting-active/availability-and-bookings.asp.

Proof of vaccination requirements extend to all programs held in City Facilities. Program participants who are unable to comply will receive full refunds on program fees.

Masks or facial coverings are mandatory in all City Facilities as well as on Yellowknife Public Transit. Physical distancing remains in effect.

For the latest City information on COVID-19, visit www.yellowknife.ca/covid-19. For questions or concerns regarding COVID-19 and the City of Yellowknife, contact CovidTaskTeam@yellowknife.ca.

YELLOWKNIFERS SUPPORT BORROWING TO BUILD AQUATIC CENTRE

A referendum to determine if the City of Yellowknife (the City) can borrow up to \$10,001,000 to finance the development of the Aquatic Centre took place on **Tuesday, November 23, 2021**, by mail-in ballot and voters supported the borrowing of funds.

The results are as follows:

YES: 1857 NO: 735

By-law No. 5044 will now go forward for Second Reading on **December 13, 2021**, following which Ministerial Approval will be sought in accordance with the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*, from Minister Shane Thompson, Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Municipal and Community Affairs.

The City expects to award the contract for the design-build proposal of Clark Builders by the end of **January 2022**, and for construction to be completed in 2024.

Updates on this project will continue to be shared at www.yellowknife.ca/AquaticCentre.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

Winter Stem Packs

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to present Winter Stem Packs. These packs are suitable for children ages 7 to 10 years old. Instructions and some of the supplies are included in packages.

Toddler, Story and Baby Time

The Yellowknife Public Library is hosting Free programs located in the library meeting room.

Toddler Time, (18 months - 3 years old) **Tuesdays 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. November 9 - December 14, 2021.**

Story time, (3 - 5 years old) **Wednesdays 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. November 10 - December 15, 2021.**

Baby time, (18 Months and younger) **Thursdays 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. November 18 - December 16, 2021.**

Newcomers to Yellowknife are strongly encouraged to attend. Siblings are always welcome. Masks required for those over 2 years old. Registration is required. Space limited.

2021 Tweens Genre Reading Contest

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to present the 2021 Tweens genre reading contest. Children ages 9 to 12 years are invited to read 12 books, one from each genre on the contest sheet and write a short review. Collect a badge for each genre completed. Complete all 12 before **January 10, 2022**, and earn a prize! Pick up your entry sheet from the front desk of the Yellowknife Public Library or by visiting the programs section of www.yellowknife.ca/library.

Fall Book Club

The City of Yellowknife invites you to join us at the Yellowknife Public Library for a monthly book club. Our November discussion features "At Night All Blood is Black," written by French/Senegalese author David Diop, winner of the 2021 International Booker Prize. The discussion meeting will take place on **Tuesday, November 30, 2021 from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.** at the Yellowknife Public Library. Join us and share your thoughts, questions, and opinions.

Raging Raven Meditation

The City of Yellowknife invites you to join us at the Yellowknife Public Library **Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m.** for guided calm abiding meditation. All are welcome and instruction is provided. Drop ins are welcome, but capacity is limited. Physical distancing and masks are required, and attendees must fill out a short COVID-19 screening form when they arrive.

Library Used Book Sale

Make an appointment to come to the Yellowknife Public Library to browse our used book sale tables! We have hundreds of books in good condition available for all ages. Books are sold by donation, so you won't find a better way to load up on literature!

Visitors are by appointment only and must complete a contact tracing form before entering the library. Social distancing and masks are mandatory. To register for a Library Program or for more information, email library@yellowknife.ca, call 920-5642 or visit www.yellowknife.ca/library.

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: **November 17, 2021**
#PL-2021-0222 Lot 24, Block 507, Plan 1080
(46 Bromley Drive)
Intended Development: Home Based Business

Last Date to Appeal: **December 1, 2021**

Date of Decision: **November 18, 2021**
#PL-2021-0225 Lot 25, Block 31, Plan 1850
(5001 50 Avenue)
Intended Development: Signage

Last Date to Appeal: **December 2, 2021**

Dated the 26th day of November, 2021.

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

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Fireworks Regulations & Safety

With New Year's Eve just a month away, the City of Yellowknife would like to remind residents that if you would like to set off fireworks, a permit is required. It is free of charge, available at the firehall.

Sites to set off fireworks are restricted to Frame Lake, Back Bay, Yellowknife Bay, and Rat Lake.

Sky lanterns (small hot air balloons) are prohibited in Yellowknife and in the NWT.

SAFETY:

- Fireworks are explosives – Do not Transport – purchase online or locally.
- Purchase from a reliable source stating that they meet safety standards.

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:

Customer Service & Finance Officer
Closing Date of December 3, 2021

Term Full time Facilities Cashier/Vaccine Screener
(4-6 Month Terms)
Closing Date of December 3, 2021

Casual Part time Facilities Cashier/Vaccine Screener
Closing Date of December 3, 2021

Please visit the City of Yellowknife website at: 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. Any person wishing to speak to an item on the agenda is asked to email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

Special Council

Saturday, November 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Multiplex/DND Gym and via webcast

- Statutory Public Hearing regarding By-law No. 5045, a by-law to repeal and replace Zoning By-law No. 4404, as amended.
- Presentations regarding By-law No. 5045, a by-law to repeal and replace Zoning By-law No. 4404, as amended.
- Written submissions regarding By-law No. 5045, a by-law to repeal and replace Zoning By-law No. 4404, as amended.

POLAR EXPRESS PARTY

Join us for our annual reading of The Polar Express as well as other great holiday tales! After the stories, we will have a paper doily snowman and pipe cleaner beading crafts!

Register by phone 920-5642, email library@yellowknife.ca, or in person at the circulation desk by **December 5, 2021**.

Minimum of 10 participants to proceed. Please note an adult / caregiver must attend with children. Polar Express Party will take place **Saturday December 11, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** in the Library Meeting Room, for ages 4-7.

For more information visit www.yellowknife.ca/library, or call 920-5642.

COMMUNITY RISK ASSESSMENT SURVEY

The City of Yellowknife Fire Division is issuing a survey as part of its Community Risk Assessment and strategic planning.

Does your business use, or store hazardous materials for manufacturing or retail purposes? Does your business own properties with confined spaces? Do you or your staff work on elevated platforms? If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, we need to hear from you!

For more information, and to fill out the survey, visit www.yellowknife.ca/cra or call 766-5502.

SANTA CLAUS PARADE WINNERS

The City of Yellowknife is excited to announce the winners of the Annual Santa Claus Parade Float Competition.

This year's parade was held on **November 20, 2021** and included seventeen floats themed "Rock'n Roll Christmas".

Floats were judged for creativity, use of lights and decorations, incorporation of the theme, enthusiasm and efforts.

Non-Profit: NWT Broomball Association

Commercial: Canadian Tire

School: Ecole St. Patrick High School

We would like to thank and congratulate all participants.

Special thank you to the Municipal Enforcement for playing such an important role in the success of the Santa Claus Parade. And a big thank you to the Cadets and all the volunteers that help out with the logistics of the street closure.



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

Connect with
the City of
Yellowknife...

