



CAPITAL UPDATE

YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

AQUATIC CENTRE REFERENDUM 2021

Ballot kits have been mailed to all eligible voters on the City's municipal Voters List. The ballot kit includes instructions on how to complete the ballot, declaration form, secrecy envelope and a postage-paid envelope. Voters may return their ballot kit by return mail, Drop Box at Yellowknife City Hall, or by bringing it to a Voter Assistance location on **November 23, 2021**. All ballots must be received by the City by **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2021**. Ballots received after that time will not be counted.

Eligible voters who do not receive a ballot or require voting assistance, may attend a Voter Assistance location and be sworn in to vote or receive assistance with their ballot.

Voters eligibility:

- You are eligible to vote if you:
- Are a Canadian citizen;
- Have attained 18 years of age; and
- Have resided within the municipal boundary of Yellowknife for 12 consecutive months immediately before the day you cast your vote.

The Ballot Question:

Voters will be asked if they approve of the City of Yellowknife enacting By-law No. 5044, a by-law authorizing the City to acquire debt on the security of new debentures of which may be borrowed sums not exceeding 10,001,000 in total, for the purpose of financing the cost of building a new Aquatic Centre.

Marking and returning your ballot:

Follow the step-by-step instruction provided in your ballot kit to ensure that you've completed all necessary steps for marking and returning your ballot.

Voter Assistance Locations:

On **November 23, 2021** Voter Assistance Locations will be open from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- Multiplex
- Tree of Peace

A voter requiring assistance with their ballot kit, or who has not received a ballot kit, may attend one of the Voter Assistance Locations to vote.

Proxy Voting:

Anyone unable to vote by Mail-in Ballot or at a Voter Assistance Location on **November 23, 2021**, may request a proxy voter application from the Returning Officer at City Hall. The deadline to apply is 3:00 p.m. on **Thursday, November 18, 2021**. A Proxy Voter must be eligible to vote at the referendum (see Voter Eligibility) and must vote for you in person at a Voter Assistance Location.

For further information please contact the Returning Officer at (867)920-5646 or cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

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.

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.

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.

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.

FACILITIES HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 11, 2021

City Hall	Remains Closed to the Public
Solid Waste Facility	CLOSED
Yellowknife Public Library	CLOSED
Fieldhouse	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Multiplex	CLOSED
Ruth Inch Memorial Pool	
Noon Swim and Splash	12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Public Swim	1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

There are no other swims offered on this date.

For inquiries please contact the City at 920-5600.

Remembrance Day Transit

There will be no transit service and Yellowknife Accessible Transit System (YATS) on **Wednesday, November 11, 2021** for Remembrance Day. For more information visit www.yellowknife.ca/transit.

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: **October 28, 2021**
#PL-2021-0150
Lot 58, Block 503, Plan 3768
(123 Curry Drive)
Intended Development: Detached
Secondary Suite

Last Date to Appeal: **November 12, 2021**

Dated the 5th day of November, 2021.

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

INDOOR SPACE IMPROVEMENT GRANT

The City of Yellowknife is committed to supporting small and medium-sized businesses by offering the Indoor Space Improvement Grant. The purpose of the grant is to help offset the cost burdens for businesses to adapt during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This grant will go towards ongoing space improvements and costs to comply with the guidelines set forth by the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer (OCPHO). These improvements are imperative to keeping customers safe, as well as assisting in re-opening to accommodate visitors to Yellowknife.

Eligible businesses are invited to apply to the Indoor Space Improvement Grant. If approved, businesses must submit their improvement receipts and will receive up to \$5,000.

To apply and for more information visit www.yellowknife.ca/apply, email ecd@yellowknife.ca or call 867-669-3424.

BUDGET 2022

The City of Yellowknife's Draft Budget 2022 will be presented at the Governance and Priorities Committee meeting on **November 8, 2021**. Watch the live webcast, starting at 12:05 p.m., or view the recording later on the City website. Draft Budget 2022, and supporting documents, will be posted to the City's website that afternoon.

To provide feedback on the Draft Budget document, email budget@yellowknife.ca. To make a presentation at the **November 22** Council meeting, email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca or call 920-5646 before noon on **November 18, 2021**. Engage. Understand. Discuss. For more information, call 920-5600 or visit www.yellowknife.ca.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Change your Clocks – Change your Batteries

This weekend we fall back by one hour on **November 7, 2021 at 2:00 a.m.** This is your reminder to change the batteries in your smoke alarms at the same time.

While you are at it, test your smoke alarms and replace those that are more than 10 years old (both hard-wired and battery-operated). Remember: You have less than 3 minutes before smoke blocks your first way out.

Don't wait for a fire to find out your smoke alarms don't work!

Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

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, November 8, 2021 at 12:05 p.m. via webcast

- A presentation regarding the 2022 Budget.
- A presentation from Administration regarding implications of not proceeding with a Proof of Vaccine Policy.
- A memorandum regarding whether to authorize the expenditure of \$8,000 from the Heritage Committee budget for Pat Braden's Storytelling Podcast Series.
- A memorandum regarding the Minutes of the Heritage Committee meeting of October 21, 2021.

Council Meeting

Monday, November 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via webcast

- Presentations regarding whether the City should adopt a Proof of Vaccine Policy.
- A presentation regarding an application to purchase a portion of Lot 1001, Quad 85J/8 to amalgamate with Lot 24, Block 13 (4702 Anderson-Thomson Boulevard); and whether to rezone that portion of Lot 1001, Quad 85J/8 under consideration for disposal to R2 – Residential – Low Density.
- Whether to support the proposed subdivision of Lot 65, Block 503, Plan 4476, (84 Curry Drive).
- Whether to appoint a member to serve on the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development.
- Whether to dispose of a portion of Lot 1001, Quad 85J/8 to the owner of Lot 24, Block 13 (4702 Anderson-Thomson Boulevard); and whether to rezone that portion of Lot 1001, Quad 85J/8 under consideration for disposal to R2 – Residential – Low Density.
- Whether to adopt a Proof of Vaccine Policy.
- By-law No. 5045, a by-law to repeal and replace Zoning By-law No. 4404, as amended.

COMMUNITY RISK ASSESSMENT SURVEY

The City of Yellowknife Fire Division (YKFD) is conducting a Community Risk Assessment (CRA). A CRA is vital to help fire departments operate as safely and efficiently as possible within the community they serve.

YKFD is issuing a survey as part of our CRA; to gather information on confined spaces, hazardous materials, and tasks that requires working at heights within the Yellowknife businesses community. This information will assist in YKFD's 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.



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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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