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NEW PROGRAM REGISTRATION SYSTEM

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce the launch of a new registration system for City programs and facility bookings. This new system will be up and running for winter program registration on **December 3, 2024**. Residents can enroll for all City programs, including recreation, aquatic, art, and culture programs, as well as make City facility bookings using this new system. Acting as a one-stop registration shop, this system allows residents to more easily and efficiently sign up to get involved with the City.

In addition to a user-friendly interface, this new registration system is built with increased processing capacity, which will help to reduce system-related delays on busy registration dates. For more information and instructions on how to make an account, visit www.yellowknife.ca/NewRegistrationSystem.

Important dates to remember:

- October 17, 2024 Residents can <u>create an account</u> for the new registration system. Those who create their account between October 17, 2024, and November 15, 2024, will be entered in a draw to win a Flexi Pass for access to City facilities.
- November 20, 2024 2025 winter programs will be available for viewing on the new system.
- December 3, 2024 2025 winter program registration opens.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Yellowknife is currently offering exciting opportunities for the right people to work alongside our dedicated and community focused team of City employees in the following positions:

Systems Analyst - Asset Management & GIC
Closing date: November 4, 2024

Manager, Asset Management & GIC Closing date: Until Filled

Network Administrator
Closing date: Until Filled

Economic Development Officer
Closing date: Until Filled

Finance Officer
Closing date: November 6, 2024

Financial Analyst
Closing date: Until Filled

Municipal Enforcement Officer II
Closing date: November 15

Water Treatment and Wastewater Disposal Operator/Maintainer

Closing date: November 8

Visit <u>www.yellowknife.ca</u> for more information and to submit your application.

PUMPKIN LANE RETURNS

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce the return of Pumpkin Lane! Come take a stroll along the McMahon Frame Lake Trail (near the JumpStart Accessible Playground) to see the pumpkin path lit up and marvel at the creative carvings done by community members.

This event will run from Friday, November 1, 2024, through to Sunday, November 3, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Residents are invited to showcase their pumpkins by adding them to the path throughout the event. Lighting supplies are provided, and residents are welcome to bring additional candles and lighting tools to enhance their pumpkin's display. Information on Pumpkin Lane can also be found on our *website*.

SANTA CLAUS PARADE

The City of Yellowknife is excited to invite residents to take part in the 2024 Santa Claus Parade on **Saturday, November 23, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Watch the downtown core come alive as community groups and festive floats take to the streets to spread holiday cheer!

We would like to thank all residents who participated in the online Santa Claus Parade survey. The results are in, and this year's theme is "The Grinch". We look forward to celebrating the holiday season with a dash of whimsy and a touch of mischief!

Community organizations, businesses and schools are invited to enter a float, vehicle(s), or a walking group in the parade. Registration opens on **Friday, November 1, 2024** at <u>www.</u> yellowknife.ca/santaclaus.

The official route and street closures will be announced closer to the parade date.

For more information, please email events@yellowknife.ca.

COMMITTEE VACANCY

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

The City of Yellowknife is now accepting applications for one (1) representative from the public at large on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness. The purpose of the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) is to assist the City in an advisory capacity regarding homelessness issues within the municipal boundaries of the City of Yellowknife. For more information, please contact the Director of Community Services at (867) 920-5685. The deadline for applications is **Friday, November 15, 2024**.

Individuals interested in this committee should apply online at <u>www.yellowknife.ca</u> or submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4 fax (867) 920-5649; or email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

ICE SAFETY

With the cooler temperatures, the ice is forming earlier than usual this year. For your safety, please stay off the ice until it measures 6 inches (15cm). Please call 9-1-1 or (867) 873-2222 if you see that someone has fallen through the ice or is in distress.

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. (867) 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 November 1, 2024.

Dated the 1st day of November 2024. For more information please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

WINTER CONDITIONS HAVE ARRIVED

Sidewalks

The City would like to remind businesses and residences in the Central Business District, Franklin Avenue from Matonabee Street to Old Airport Road, and Franklin Avenue from 44th Street to School Draw Avenue, to keep the sidewalk(s) around their properties clear of ice and snow, and otherwise safe for pedestrian traffic. Failure to do so may result in a fine or other enforcement action pursuant to Highway Traffic By-law No. 5055. Let's work together to keep our sidewalks safe!

Snow Shoveling

Snow from public sidewalks abutting your property may be placed on the road, however, snow from your driveway or any other portion of your property cannot. Placing unauthorized snow on the road greatly increases snow volumes, and therefore creates unsafe driving conditions. This snow must be placed on your own property.

Trucked Service Access

The City would like to remind properties on trucked water and sewer to keep access to their service connection points clear of snow and ice. If the connection points are not accessible water delivery and/or sewage pumpout may not occur until access problems have been fixed.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Preschool

November 30 Trip to Zoo (3 - 5 years)

Creation Station Christmas (3 - 5 years) December 14

Youth

December 7 Youth Dog Sledding (8 - 14 years) November 29 PD Judo Multisport Day Camp

Teen & Adult

November 28 Gift Tags (15 years+)

December 3 Teen/Adult Climbing (15 years+) December 7 Teen/Adult Dog Sledding (15 years+)

For information on City programs and to register visit www.yellowknife. ca/programs or call 669-3457.

TOBOGGAN HILL ROAD CLOSURE

The City of Yellowknife wishes to inform residents that 51 Avenue between 55 and 56 Streets is closed to all traffic except local for the winter season. As practiced in past years, the area is closed for the creation of a recreational toboggan hill. To this end, the City will be providing more snow to make the area as safe and enjoyable for children and families.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

November 4, 2024 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

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

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit **Council Calendar**.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Change Your Clock - Change Your Batteries!

This weekend we fall back by one hour (November 3 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 batteryoperated). 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.

SEEKING INPUT ON LIVERY LICENCE BY-LAW

The City of Yellowknife (the City) is seeking public feedback as it prepares to modernize Livery Licence By-law No. 4526 - a By-law which regulates taxi licensing and related matters.

From November 1-30, 2024, taxi companies, drivers and members of the public who rely on taxis are invited to share their general feedback on the current Livery Licence By-law as well as on the proposed changes via a survey on *PlaceSpeak*. This survey will be advertised on the City's social media channels throughout the month of November. Note that in order to complete the survey, residents must reside within the city limits and sign up for an account.

The proposed changes to the by-law address the increased cost of operating taxis, safety considerations and other matters that have been raised by taxi operators and taxi users. The proposed changes include:

- Increasing taxi meter rates by roughly 25%;
- Requiring each company to have one accessible vehicle available 24 hours a day;
- Requiring the installation of security cameras in all taxis;
- Allowing taxi drivers to request a maximum \$30 deposit before a trip:
- Adding a \$50 fee to write the driver's exam and a delay period for a re-write;
- Requiring taxi drivers to make reasonable efforts to return items left in vehicles:
- Prohibiting taxis that have logged over 450,000 km to remain in service:
- Updating sections of the by-law regarding the condition of taxis (exterior and interior);
- Updating sections of the by-law regarding driver conduct; and
- Updating the information that must be displayed in taxis.

More details on the proposed changes to Livery Licence By-law No. 4526, as well as a helpful fact sheet, can be found on *PlaceSpeak*.





