



# CAPITAL UPDATE

## YOUR WEEKLY MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

### REACHING HOME FUNDING AVAILABLE

Near the end of 2023, the City of Yellowknife secured a four-year extension on their federal Reaching Home funding agreement. From April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2028, the City will continue to receive funds annually to address homelessness and housing needs in Yellowknife.

As we head into our second year of the four-year extension, the City is seeking project proposals from NGOs and charitable organizations geared towards supporting our local unhoused community. For the upcoming fiscal year from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026, \$535,000 of Reaching Home funding will be available to support these projects.

To apply for this funding, NGOs and charitable organizations are invited to send their project proposals to the City's Homelessness Division at [homelessness@yellowknife.ca](mailto:homelessness@yellowknife.ca) by **January 31, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (noon)**. Submissions must focus on impactful, start ready initiatives, and align with the Government of Canada's [Reaching Home directives](#).

Proposals will be reviewed, and funding decisions made by the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness in March 2025. Once the funding allocations have been determined, successful applicants will be contacted directly. For specific questions related to funding eligibility and how to prepare your proposal, please email [homelessness@yellowknife.ca](mailto:homelessness@yellowknife.ca).

### DOG IMPOUND FEE INCREASED

The City of Yellowknife would like to remind the public of the increase in the dog impoundment fee, which took effect on January 1, 2025. This fee increase was approved by City Council in December 2024. The dog impoundment fee applies to dog owners whose pet is being held due to being separated from their owner.

This fee adjustment supports the increasing costs of daily care when dogs are impounded. Dog owners are encouraged to ensure their pets are properly licensed, controlled, and supervised at all times to avoid impoundment and associated fees.

The City is committed to ensuring the safety of our community and promoting responsible dog ownership. Municipal Enforcement Officers are trained and equipped to deal with any sort of complaint or call involving dogs to ensure compliance with City by-laws. Residents can find more information on animal control on our [website](#).

### COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD ON HOMELESSNESS VACANCIES

The City of Yellowknife is now accepting applications for two (2) representatives who have lived experience of homelessness 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.

Individuals should apply online at [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca) or submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4 fax 920-5649; or email [cityclerk@yellowknife.ca](mailto:cityclerk@yellowknife.ca). The deadline for applications is **Friday, January 31, 2025**.

For more information, please contact the Director of Community Services at (867) 920-5685.

### SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

#### Monday, January 20, 2025

- All of DeMelt Crescent; and
- All of Larocque Crescent.

#### Tuesday, January 21, 2025

- 46 Street from Weledeh to 52 Avenue;
- All of Calder Crescent; and
- All of England Crescent.

#### Wednesday, January 22, 2025

- 51A Avenue from Forrest Drive to 56 Street;
- 56 Street from 51 Avenue to Burwash Drive; and
- All of Bourque Drive.

#### Thursday, January 23, 2025

- All of Kasteel Drive.

#### Friday, January 24, 2025

- All of Bromley Drive and Bromley Court.

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.

### 2024 ASSESSMENTS FOR 2025 TAXATION

Property Assessment Notices have been mailed to all ratepayers (persons or businesses responsible for paying property taxes). An assessment is a value placed on property (land and buildings) for municipal and school tax purposes.

Assessment Open Houses are scheduled for **January 23 and 24, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at City Hall. The Assessor will be on site to answer assessment questions by appointment. Residents may call (867) 920-5664 or (867) 920-5625 to make an appointment with the Assessor or to speak to a representative regarding assessments.

For information regarding school support declarations and assessment appeals, please consult [A Guide to Property Taxes](#). Appeals may only be filed against the assessment values of your property, not the amount of taxes collected. Note that the deadline to file a school support declarations, or to make an appeal, is **February 20, 2025**.

Property owners can compare assessment with other similar properties in their neighbourhood using the City's online tool, CityExplorer. For land comparisons, ensure similarity of location, lot size and zoning. For building comparisons, ensure similarity of age, quality, style and size.

### OUTDOOR SKATING RINKS

All outdoor skating rinks are now open for everyone to enjoy. City crews continue to flood the rinks to enhance the skating surfaces. For up-to-date skating information please visit [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca).

### CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Real Christmas Trees can be dropped off at the Solid Waste Facility free of charge from now until the end of **January 2025**.

## DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NOTICES

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 \$400 appeal fee. (The appeal fee will be reimbursed if the decision of the Development Officer is reversed).

**There are no Development Approvals for January 17, 2025.**

**Dated the 17th day of January 2025.**

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

## DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to introduce new development incentives (tax abatements and grants) to support housing, land and revitalization initiatives. These incentives are available to the successful individuals, businesses and organizations who complete an application.

Tax abatement and grant applications are now open, and will be accepted on an ongoing basis. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible, as funding for this multi-year program is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit our website for information on the [application process](#).

Applicants can apply for only one abatement per development and multiple grants per development. Note that several grants in combination with one abatement can be used for the same development.

In addition to offering grants and tax abatements to eligible applicants, City in-kind initiatives will be introduced as part of these new incentives.

For full details, including the types of incentives available and their eligibility criteria, please refer to the [Development Incentives Guide](#). Further information can also be found on [our website](#). For specific questions related to the grants and tax abatements available, residents can contact [PlanningAndEnvironment@yellowknife.ca](mailto:PlanningAndEnvironment@yellowknife.ca).

## 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:

Booking Clerk

**Closing Date January 22, 2025**

Homelessness Supervisor

**Closing Date January 24, 2025**

Manager Financial Services - Financial Operations

**Closing Date January 31, 2025**

Procurement Officer - Term 13 Months

**Closing Date January 24, 2025**

Water Treatment and Wastewater Disposal Operator/Maintainer

**Until Filled**

Lifeguard/Instructor

**Until Filled**

Please visit the City of Yellowknife website at [www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca) for more information and to submit your application.

## TENTATIVE AGENDAS

### Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

**Monday, January 20, 2025 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall**

- A presentation from Shane O'Hanlon and Lesley Cabott, representatives from Stantec, regarding the City of Yellowknife Climate Action Plan.
- A memorandum regarding whether to approve recommendations to allocate additional Reaching Home funding for the 2024 - 2025 fiscal year.
- A memorandum regarding minutes of the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness meeting of December 12, 2024.
- A memorandum regarding whether to adopt the recommendations set forth by the Human Resource Compensation Committee for the 2025 City Manager's performance evaluation process.
- A memorandum regarding a report regarding Councillor Garrett Cochrane's travel to Ottawa, ON to attend the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness Conference from October 28 - 31, 2024.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit [Council Calendar](#).

## FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

### Chimney Ice Buildup

Look Up! How does your chimney look? Is there a build-up of ice?

Remove the ice build-up on your chimney to ensure it doesn't collapse the chimney liner. With temperatures of -30C and colder, ice builds up quickly. If your chimney liner is damaged, carbon monoxide will invade your home.

Be proactive:

- Remove the ice before it builds up on your chimney;
- Install a carbon monoxide (CO) detector close to your bedrooms; and
- When you have your furnace or boiler serviced, have them check your chimney liner to ensure there is no damage.

Preventative Maintenance = Peace of Mind. Learn more at [www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention](http://www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention).

## SEEKING INPUT ON CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

The City of Yellowknife is seeking input as it develops its draft 2026-2036 Climate Action Plan. From **January 14 to February 10, 2025**, residents, businesses and organizations are invited to provide their insights on climate change via [PlaceSpeak](#). The data collected in this [survey](#) will help determine how, as a community, we can best mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change. The Climate Action Plan will outline goals, objectives and actions for corporate and community-wide climate change mitigation and adaptation, and align with the City of Yellowknife Community Plan as well as in the 2015-2025 Corporate and Community Energy Plan. In addition to participating in the survey, residents, businesses and organizations are invited to share their thoughts and ideas during a roundtable discussion on **Sunday, January 21, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in Council Chamber, City Hall. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. To attend, please [register for this event](#) on our website by **Monday, January 20, 2025**.

## ART NIGHT

Join us for an evening of painting at the Yellowknife Public Library on **Thursday, January 30, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.** Local artist Mo Cudbertson will be guiding participants through the creation of watercolour neuro-graphic inspired artwork. Spaces are limited so call the library at (867) 920-5642 or send an email to [library@yellowknife.ca](mailto:library@yellowknife.ca) to register.



[www.yellowknife.ca](http://www.yellowknife.ca)

Switchboard (867) 920-5600  
Mayor/City Manager (867) 920-5693  
Booking Clerk (867) 669-3457

Municipal Enforcement (MED) (867) 920-5630  
After Hours (MED) (867) 920-2737  
After Hours (Public Works) (867) 920-5699

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