



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 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.

CITY BEGINS EXTINGUISHING EFFORTS

The City of Yellowknife would like to advise the public that extinguishing efforts have commenced at the Solid Waste Facility. This operation marks a significant step towards the full extinguishment of the ongoing subsurface fire at the facility. The City is prioritizing resource needs to ensure the safety and effectiveness of the firefighting efforts. This initiative is guided by the Yellowknife Landfill Control and Risk Reduction Plan (2007) and the guidelines set by the Solid Waste Association of North America. While firefighting activities are being performed, the affected area of the Solid Waste Facility will be closed to the public. For the time being, the rest of the Solid Waste Facility will remain open during regular operating hours from Tuesday to Friday. The facility remains closed on weekends until the incident is resolved. A temporary closure of the entire facility may be considered at a later date if warranted.

Clear signage and barriers will mark the restricted area to prevent unauthorized access. Please be aware that there may be increased smoke and a smell emerging from the site of the incident as work is being conducted. The City continues to closely monitor air quality alongside regulatory partners. For further updates, please visit 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 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. 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 27, 2025

- All of Rycon Drive.

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

- Gibbon Drive to Hall Crescent; and
- Hall Crescent from Gibbon Drive to Hall Court.

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

- All of Forrest Drive North; and
- Hall Crescent from Hall Court to Hall Crescent and Hall Court.

Thursday, January 30, 2025

- All of Forrest Park;
- All of Ptarmigan Road; and
- All of Ward Crescent.

Friday, January 31, 2025

- All of Anson Drive;
- All of Fairchild Crescent; and
- All of Lamoureux Road.

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.

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.

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. 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.

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).

Date of Decision: January 21, 2025
#PL-2025-0002 Lot 55, Block 309, Plan 4836
(122 Moyle Drive)
Intended Development: Site Grading.

Last Date to Appeal: February 4, 2025

Dated the 24th 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](#).

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.

SEEKING INPUT ON CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

The City of Yellowknife is seeking input as it develops its draft 2026-2036 Climate Action Plan. **Until 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.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Vehicle Refueling Fire Safety

Complacency: It won't happen to me - until it does! Rules are in place for your safety – please follow them when refueling your vehicle:

- Dismount from your snow machine/ATV/motorcycle when refueling in order to prevent spilling of fuel on your clothing;
- Turn off your engine (it's the law), and
- Stay with the nozzle – even at -40C!

We are Northerners; we dress for the weather. The few minutes shutting off the vehicle and staying by the nozzle isn't a big deal.

Be Fire Smart! Don't get burned! Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, January 27, 2025 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding whether to appoint a Deputy Mayor and whether to appoint Members of Council as representatives on the Special Committees of Council.
- A memorandum regarding whether to authorize the Mayor and Members of Council to attend various conferences in 2025.
- A motion from Councillor Hendriksen regarding whether to direct Administration to apply for funding from the Government of Canada Active Transportation Fund for Capital Projects.

Additional Council Items

- A memorandum regarding whether to reappoint Paul Parker as an Adjudicator pursuant to Administrative Monetary Penalty By-law No. 5054 for the City of Yellowknife.

Council Meeting

Monday, January 27, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A presentation of the Holiday Light Awards.
- Presentations regarding a proposed 'commercial work camp' on Lot 83, Block 907, Plan 4727 (690 Deh Cho Boulevard).
- Whether to adopt amendments to Community Plan By-law No. 5007; and amendments to Zoning By-law No. 5045, as amended, to permit a 'commercial work camp' on Lot 83, Block 907, Plan 4727 (690 Deh Cho Boulevard) in the Engle Industrial Business District.
- Whether to present resolutions to the Northwest Territories Association of Communities ("NWTAC") for adoption at its annual general meeting ("AGM").
- Whether to appoint three (3) members to serve on the City of Yellowknife Grant Review Committee.
- Whether to appoint a member to serve on the Heritage Committee.
- Whether to approve recommendations to allocate additional Reaching Home funding for the 2024 - 2025 fiscal year.
- Whether to adopt the recommendations set forth by the Human Resource Compensation Committee for the 2025 City Manager's performance evaluation process.
- Whether to reappoint Paul Parker as an Adjudicator pursuant to Administrative Monetary Penalty By-law No. 5054 for the City of Yellowknife.
- By-law No. 5101, a by-law to rescind the Combative Sports By-law No. 4721, as amended.
- A presentation from Bill Braden, President Snowking's Winter Festival Society, regarding the upcoming festival.

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

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 to register.



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