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HERITAGE COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The City of Yellowknife is seeking volunteers to fill vacancies on its Heritage Committee – a body created to help conserve, protect and celebrate the heritage of Yellowknife for the benefit of present and future residents. The City welcomes applications from all interested persons, however, those with a strong knowledge of Yellowknife history are particularly encouraged to apply.

Applicants should apply online at www.yellowknife.ca or submit a Letter of Interest by Friday, February 14, 2025 to the City Clerk, Yellowknife City Hall, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2N4; fax (867) 920-5649; or email cityclerk@yellowknife.ca.

For more information, please contact the City at (867) 920-5622.

ASSESSMENT NOTICES

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 <u>A Guide to Property Taxes</u>. 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 declaration, 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.

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.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

With many Yellowknifers out on snowmobiles this season the City reminds everyone to keep these safety tips in mind:

- There are speed limits for snowmobiles learn and follow them;
- Always drive at a speed that will let you stop safely;
- Be mindful of, and slow down for, other trail users such as hikers, skiers, skaters and dogsleds;
- Valid snowmobile registration and insurance is required when operating in City Limits;
- Helmets are mandatory for all snowmobile riders and operators; and,
- Remember to dress appropriately and let someone know where you're going and when you expect to return.

To help ensure everyone is snowmobiling safely the City's Municipal Enforcement Division regularly patrols lakes and trails.

SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

Monday, February 3, 2025

- All of Stinson Road: and
- All of Knutsen Avenue and Knutsen Court.

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

- All of Catalina Drive;
- · All of Butler Road; and
- All of Loutitt Street.

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

- All of Bellanca Avenue;
- All of Bagon Drive and Balsillie Court; and
- All of Spence Road.

Thursday, February 6, 2025

- All of Lanky Court;
- All of Sissions Court; and
- All of Gwilliam Crescent.

Friday, February 7, 2025

• All of Wilkinson Crescent.

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.

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 Shovelling

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.

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.

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 31, 2025.

Dated the 31st 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.

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:

> Human Resources Officer - Safety & Training Closing Date February 14, 2025

> > Planner II and Planner III Closing Date February 16, 2025

Community Engagement Advisor Closing Date February 18, 2025

Casual Part-time Lifeguard or Instructor **Until Filled**

> **Equipment Operator Until Filled**

> > Fire Fighter/PCP **Until Filled**

Water Treatment and Wastewater Disposal Operator/Maintainer **Until Filled**

> Senior Finance Officer **Until Filled**

Please visit the City of Yellowknife website at www.yellowknife.ca for more information and to submit your application.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Monday, February 3, 2025 at 12:05 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall

- A memorandum regarding Planning and Development Department Service Level Standards.
- A memorandum and presentation regarding Project Initiation and Work Plan for Community Plan Comprehensive Update.
- A motion from Mayor Alty regarding whether to amend the Community Plan By-law.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit Council Calendar.

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 prevents 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.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

Guess your Favourite Storybook Character

How many Storybook Characters are you able to name from their pictures? The Yellowknife Public Library invites you to try your hands at this contest! Drop by to pick up your entry form or visit www.yellowknife. ca/ypl children's programs to obtain it. Program runs until March 16, 2025. Program is open for children 3 to 8 years old. The winner will be drawn from all entries that have the most correct answers.

Knitting Club

Join the Yellowknife Public Library Knitting Club! We welcome both new and experienced knitters to join us on Saturday afternoons.

Meetings take place at the Yellowknife Public Library on Saturdays starting at 1:00 p.m. Supplies of yarn and needles will be available. Participants are encouraged to bring their own yarn supplies and needles if they have them. To get started, you can also learn the skills from the Library's print and video resources. There are also experienced knitters who regularly attend and will give advice and helpful tips!

TAILS

TAILS (Therapy Animals Involved in Literacy Skills) registration is now open at YPL! In collaboration with St. John Ambulance, this engaging program is designed for children who love dogs and want extra practice reading to a non-judgemental animal friend. Sessions are 25 minutes long and will take place on Saturdays until March 15, 2025 between 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Contact the library to sign up today!

Chess Club

The City of Yellowknife invites you to attend Chess Club, Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Yellowknife Public Library. Not sure how to play? No problem! All skill levels and ages are welcome!

To register for a Library Program or for more information, email <u>library@yellowknife.ca</u>, call (867) 920-5642 or visit <u>www.</u> yellowknife.ca/library.





