

Council's Overall Achievements & Goals and Objectives 2019-2022

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CONTEXT

In 2019, Council confirmed the vision, mission and values that would guide your term of office, and established Key Goals and Objectives

- **VISION:** *Yellowknife is a welcoming, inclusive, and prosperous community with a strong sense of pride in our unique history, culture, and natural beauty.*
- **MISSION:** *Council will provide leadership, vision, and direction in responding to the needs and aspirations of the community by working cooperatively with staff and residents to provide municipal infrastructure, programs, and services that are environmentally, socially, and fiscally responsible*
- **VALUES:** *Reconciliation, Responsiveness, Solutions-oriented, Responsible Decision-making, Connection, Multi-generational*

Goals & Objectives

Growing and diversifying our economy

- A. Foster a robust and diversified tourism sector – working around COVID to relaunch; new VIC
- B. Maximize benefits from an expanded post secondary institution – collaborative lobbying for enhancements to Aurora College in the NWT including YK; moving forward with plan for YK campus of Polytechnic University
- C. Refresh and implement a Yellowknife Economic Development Strategy – EDS 2020-24; also Joint Economic Development Strategy with YKDFN

Delivering efficient and accountable government

- A. Enhance long term financial and asset management planning – Refreshed budgeting policies and process; Asset Management road map and Policy as well as service/asset/risk registries
- B. Integrate a culture of continuous improvement into corporate culture – COVID reframe
- C. Confirm clear service level standards for key City programs and services – WCCD; Asset Management process

Goals/Objectives

Ensuring a high quality of life for all, including future generations

- A. Prioritize adaptation to, and mitigation of, climate change – reviewed CCEP; biomass boilers
- B. Redefine public transit – decisions made; plan unfolding for 2023 implementation
- C. Work with partners to address pressing social issues – addressing homelessness; successfully lobbied Doubled Reaching Home funding; supporting day shelters; YK Street Outreach
- D. Develop a City of YK Arts & Culture Master Plan – currently being finalized for Fall 2022 review; non-commercial gallery space included in VIC

Driving strategic land development and growth opportunities

- A. Diversifying development options – new Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw
- B. Promote development across the City – Zoning options, greater flexibility; development incentives coming

High Level Achievements

- COVID response
- Maintaining a prudent/solid fiscal position
- Advancing Major capital projects – Aquatic Centre, Water Submarine Line
- Community Plan
- Zoning Bylaw
- Homelessness investments of \$11.8M
- Visitors Services and a new Visitor Information Centre
- Advancing reconciliation
- Advancing accessibility
- Asset Management
- Water Licence renewal
- Over \$83M spending on municipal infrastructure for the benefit of Yellowknifers
- World Council on City Data – standardized municipal data reporting



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High Level Achievements

- Giant Mine remediation
- Human Resource system enhancements – Dayforce, HR Framework, Talent Management Strategy
- Fiscal Advocacy – federal and GNWT funding increases; flexibility for some focused funding pots (e.g.,PTIF)
- Collaboration to advance goals that enhance YK –
 - Polytechnic University
 - transfer of vacant Commissioners lands within our boundary
 - VIC funding
 - City Charter concept
 - Legislative amendments – PATA, FPA, etc



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Looking Ahead

- Emerging from COVID
- Cost of living
- Ensuring diversification of our economy, including resource development as well as many other pillars
- Climate change and adaptation
- Development within our community – many initiatives in the hopper...

Many complex, 'wicked' problems will continue ... we can address through solid political leadership working effectively with Administration

Thanks to Council for your leadership and action



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