



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Council Agenda

Monday, March 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome to the

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Council Chamber, City Hall
4807 - 52nd Street
Yellowknife

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All presentations pertaining to items on the Agenda for the meeting shall be heard under the "Delegations Pertaining to Items on the Agenda," portion of the Order of Business. All presentations pertaining to items not on the Agenda shall be heard under the "Delegations Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda" portion of the Order of Business.

The following procedures apply to all delegations before Council:

- a. all delegations shall address their remarks directly to the Presiding Officer and shall not pose questions to individual Members or Administration;
- b. each presenter shall be afforded five minutes to make their presentation;
- c. the time allowed to each presenter may be extended beyond five minutes by a resolution of Council;
- d. after a person has spoken, any Member may, through the Presiding Officer, ask that person or the City Administrator relevant questions; and
- e. no debate shall be permitted on any delegation to Council either between Members or with an individual making a presentation.

Please refer to By-law No. 4975, the Council Procedures By-law, for the rules respecting the procedures of Council.

COUNCIL:

Mayor Rebecca Alty

Councillor S. Arden-Smith
Councillor Garrett Cochrane
Councillor Ryan Fequet
Councillor Ben Hendriksen

Councillor Cat McGurk
Councillor Tom McLennan
Councillor Steve Payne
Councillor Rob Warburton

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Item No.

Description

OPENING STATEMENT

1. Councillor Cochrane will read the Opening Statement.

The City of Yellowknife acknowledges that we are located in Chief Drygeese territory. From time immemorial, it has been the traditional land of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation. We respect the histories, languages, and cultures of all other Indigenous Peoples including the North Slave Métis, and all First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose presence continues to enrich our vibrant community.

AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATIONS

2. There were no awards, ceremonies or presentations for the agenda.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Previously
Distributed

3. Minutes of Council for the regular meeting of Monday, February 27, 2023 are presented for adoption.

4. Councillor Cochrane moves,
Councillor _____ seconds,

That Minutes of Council for the regular meeting of Monday, February 27, 2023 be presented for adoption.

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| Unanimous | In Favour | Opposed | Carried / Defeated |
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DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

5. Does any Member have a pecuniary interest in any matter before Council today?

CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

6. There was no correspondence nor were there any petitions for the agenda.

STATUTORY PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. There were no Statutory Public Hearings for the agenda.



Item No.

Description

DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

8. There were no delegations pertaining to items on the agenda.

MEMBER STATEMENTS

9. There were no statements for the agenda.
10. Are there any Member statements from the floor?

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Cochrane will introduce the following reports:

11. Governance and Priorities Committee Report for February 27, 2023.
12. There was no business arising from this meeting.
13. Governance and Priorities Committee Report for March 6, 2023.
14. Councillor Cochrane moves,
Councillor _____ seconds,

That Council appoint William Greenland, a representative who has lived experience of homelessness, to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) for a two-year term commencing March 14, 2023, and ending March 13, 2025.

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| Unanimous | In Favour | Opposed | Carried / Defeated |
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NEW BUSINESS

15. A memorandum regarding whether to approve the reallocation of a portion of 2022-23 Reaching Home remaining funding for the 2022/2023 fiscal year.
16. Councillor Cochrane moves
Councillor _____ seconds,

That Council reallocate \$1,318,864.34 of the 2022-2023 Reaching Home - Canada's Strategy to End Homelessness funding to the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) for permanent supportive housing and/or transitional housing or other eligible capital activity in Yellowknife.



| <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Description</u> | | | | |
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| | | Unanimous | In Favour | Opposed | Carried / Defeated |
| 17. | Is there any new business from the floor? | | | | |
| | <u>ENACTMENT OF BY-LAWS</u> | | | | |
| 18. | There were no by-laws for the agenda. | | | | |
| | <u>DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS</u> | | | | |
| 19. | There was no deferred business and there were no tabled items for the agenda. | | | | |
| 20. | Is there any deferred business or are there any tabled items from the floor? | | | | |
| | <u>OLD BUSINESS</u> | | | | |
| 21. | There was no old business for the agenda. | | | | |
| 22. | Is there any old business from the floor? | | | | |
| | <u>NOTICES OF MOTION</u> | | | | |
| 23. | There were no notices of motion for the agenda. | | | | |
| 24. | Are there any notices of motion from the floor? | | | | |
| | <u>DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA</u> | | | | |
| 25. | There were no delegations pertaining to items not on the agenda. | | | | |
| | <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ENQUIRIES</u> | | | | |
| 26. | There were no administrative enquiries for the agenda. | | | | |
| 27. | Are there any administrative enquiries from the floor? | | | | |
| | <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> | | | | |



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

DRAFT COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, February 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor R. Alty,
Councillor S. Arden-Smith,
Councillor G. Cochrane,
Councillor R. Fequet,
Councillor B. Hendriksen,
Councillor T. McLennan,
Councillor S. Payne, and
Councillor R. Warburton.

City Staff: S. Bassi-Kellett,
C. Caljouw,
J. Elliot,
C. Greencorn
N. Johnson,
K. Thistle,
C White,
S. Woodward, and
S. Jovic.

1. Councillor Arden-Smith read the Opening Statement.

AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATIONS

2. There were no awards, ceremonies or presentations.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

- #0024-23 3. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Payne seconded,

**That the Minutes of Council for the regular meeting of Monday,
February 13, 2023 be adopted.**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

4. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.



CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

5. There was no correspondence nor were there any petitions.

STATUTORY PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. There were no Statutory Public Hearings.

DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

7. There were no delegations pertaining to items on the agenda.

MEMBER STATEMENTS

8. There were no member statements for the agenda.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Governance and Priorities Committee Report for February 13, 2023

9. Councillor Arden-Smith read a report of a meeting held on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via teleconference.

- #0025-23 10. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Hendriksen seconded,

That Council approve the recommendation from the City of Yellowknife Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) to allocate \$2,064,562 of 2023-2024 Reaching Home - Canada's Strategy to End Homelessness funding as follows:

- 1. Housing First for Youth: \$393,893;**
- 2. Housing First for Families: \$594,893;**
- 3. Housing First for Adults: \$569,846;**
- 4. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Youth: \$100,000;**
- 5. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Adults: \$100,000;**
- 6. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Families: \$100,000;**
- 7. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Seniors: \$100,000; and**
- 8. Indigenous Case Management: \$ 105,930.**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- #0026-23 11. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Fequet seconded,



That Council appoint the following members to serve on the Yellowknife Heritage Committee for a two (2) year term commencing February 28, 2023 and ending February 27, 2025:

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| Liza Pieper – Primary Bobby Drygeese - Alternate Angela Lafferty - Alternate | Yellowknives Dene First Nation (YKDFN) |
| Herb Mathisen | One (1) member from public at large |

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Governance and Priorities Committee Report for February 20, 2023

12. Councillor Arden-Smith read a report of a meeting held on Monday, February 20, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via teleconference.
- #0027-23 13. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Hendriksen seconded,

That Council appoint the following members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) commencing March 8, 2023 and ending March 7, 2025:

| Name | Representing |
|---------------|---|
| Wilbert Cook | One (1) representative from Indigenous organizations |
| Jessica Short | One (1) representative from Veterans Affairs Canada or veterans serving organizations |
| Charles Wyman | One (1) representative from a landlord associations and/or non-government housing |
| Nathan Round | One (1) representative from a Yellowknife Business |

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

14. There was no New Business for the Agenda.



ENACTMENT OF BY-LAWS

15. There were no by-laws for the agenda.

DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

16. There was no deferred business and there were no tabled items.

OLD BUSINESS

17. There was no old business.

NOTICES OF MOTION

18. There were no notices of motion.

DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

19. Council heard a presentation from Mr. James Lawrence regarding the land acknowledgement. Mr. Lawrence noted that the Indigenous acknowledgement statement on the City of Yellowknife's website home page is discriminatory and offensive. Mr. Lawrence further noted that it must be revised. Mr. Lawrence stated that the statement excludes the Tłıch'o people and ignores that Yellowknife is within the Tłıch'o traditional territory.

- #0028-23 20. Councillor Fequet moved,
Councillor Hendriksen seconded,

That, pursuant to s.53(3) of Council Procedures By-law No. 4975, the time allowed for the presenter be extended by up to two minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21. Mr. Lawrence continued his presentation regarding the land acknowledgment. Mr. Lawrence noted that the traditional use area of the Tłıch'o, called Mowhì Gogha Dè Niitlèè, includes Yellowknife. Mr. Lawrence further noted that it is drawn out in treaty, an agreement that many people worked on for over 30 years. Mr. Lawrence further noted that the overarching intent of the treaty was to ensure the recognition of the Tłıch'o First Nation and protection of their land and other rights.

ADMINISTRATIVE ENQUIRIES

22. There were no administrative enquiries for the agenda.



ADJOURNMENT

- #0029-23 23. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Payne seconded,

That the Meeting be adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor

City Manager



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Monday, February 27, 2023 at 12:05 p.m.

Report of a meeting held on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via teleconference. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Mayor R. Alty,
Councillor S. Arden-Smith,
Councillor G. Cochrane,
Councillor R. Fequet,
Councillor B. Hendriksen,
Councillor T. McLennan,
Councillor S. Payne, and
Councillor R. Warburton.

The following members of Administration staff were in attendance:

S. Bassi-Kellett,
C. Caljouw,
J. Elliot,
C. Greencorn,
N. Johnson,
K. Thistle,
C. White,
S. Woodward, and
S. Jovic.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 1. | (For Information Only) Mayor Alty read the Opening Statement. |
| 2. | (For Information Only) There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest. |
| 3. | (For Information Only) Councillor Arden-Smith moved, Councillor Fequet seconded, |



That Committee move in camera at 12:06 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (For Information Only)
- 4. Committee discussed a personnel matter.
- (For Information Only)
- 5. Committee recessed at 1:39 p.m. and reconvened at 1:50 p.m.
- (For Information Only)
- 6. Committee continued its discussion regarding a personnel matter.
- (For Information Only)
- 7. Councillor Cochrane moved,
Councillor Warburton seconded,

That Committee return to an open meeting at 2:16 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (For Information Only)
- 8. There was no business arising from the in camera session.
- 9. The meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Monday, March 6, 2023 at 12:05 p.m.

Report of a meeting held on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via teleconference. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Mayor R. Alty,
Councillor S. Arden-Smith,
Councillor G. Cochrane,
Councillor R. Fequet,
Councillor B. Hendriksen,
Councillor T. McLennan,
Councillor S. Payne, and
Councillor R. Warburton.

The following members of Administration staff were in attendance:

S. Bassi-Kellett,
C. Caljouw,
C. Greencorn,
C. MacLean,
K. Thistle,
C. White,
G. White,
S. Woodward, and
S. Jovic.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 1. | (For Information Only) Mayor Alty read the Opening Statement. |
| 2. | (For Information Only) Councilor Cochrane declared a conflict of interest with Item No. 4 on the agenda, an update regarding Giant Mine Remediation, due to his employment with the Parsons Inc. (the Main Construction Manager for the Giant Mine Remediation Project) and excused himself from the meeting at 12:06 p.m. |



(For Information Only)

3. Committee heard a presentation from Natalie Plato, Andrei Torianski, Erica Nyyssonen, and other representatives of the Giant Mine Remediation Project, regarding the annual project update. They provided an update on where they are in the process; how engagement has shaped the project; what have they done on site already; what are they doing next on site and employment, training and job opportunities. They noted that, as part of their annual forum, they will have an information session on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Explorer Hotel.

(For Information Only)

4. Councillor Cochrane returned to the meeting at 1:19 p.m.

(For Information Only)

5. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,
Councillor Warburton seconded,

That Committee move in camera at 1:19 p.m. to discuss a memorandum regarding whether to appoint a representative who has lived experience of homelessness to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness and a personnel matter.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(For Information Only)

6. Committee discussed a memorandum regarding whether to appoint a representative who has lived experience of homelessness to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.

(For Information Only)

7. Committee discussed a personnel matter.

(For Information Only)

8. Councillor Warburton moved,
Councillor Payne seconded,

That Committee return to an open meeting at 2:40 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Business arising from the in camera session.

9. **Committee read a memorandum regarding whether to appoint a representative who has lived experience of homelessness to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.**



Committee noted that there is a vacancy on the Community Advisory Board (CAB) on Homelessness.

It is the practice of the City of Yellowknife to advertise all vacancies for boards and committees. The City has advertised a vacancy on the Community Advisory Board (CAB) on Homelessness in the Capital Update, the City's website and social media sites.

Council policy, resolution or goal include:

Council Goal #2 Delivering efficient and accountable government.

Motion #0459-96, as amended by #0460-96, #0462-96 and #0273-09:

"The following policy be adopted with respect to appointments to municipal boards and committees:

- i) The maximum consecutive years that an individual may serve on any one board or committee is six.
- ii) Individuals who have served the maximum six-year period on one municipal board or committee shall be eligible to be appointed to another board or committee.
- iii) No individual shall be precluded from serving concurrent terms on more than one municipal board or committee.
- iv) Notwithstanding that an individual appointee has served less than six years on a particular board or committee, Council may, after the expiration of the first or subsequent terms of that appointee, advertise for applicants to fill a vacancy on that board or committee.
- v) Notwithstanding clause (i.) of this policy, should the City receive no applications to fill a vacancy on any particular board or committee, the six year maximum limitation may, at the discretion of City Council, be waived.
- vi) Should the City receive no applications to fill a vacancy on any particular board or committee, City Council may appoint a member of the public at their discretion.

Applicable legislation, by-laws, studies, plans include:

Council Procedures By-law No. 4975, as amended.

Legislation

Section 122 of Council Procedures By-law No. 4975, as amended, states:

Special Committees of Council

122. Where Council deems it necessary to establish a special committee to investigate and consider any matter, Council shall:

- (1) name the committee;
- (2) establish terms of reference;
- (3) appoint members to it;
- (4) establish the term of appointment of members;
- (5) establish requirements for reporting to Council or a standing committee; and
- (6) allocate any necessary budget or other resources to it.



Procedural Considerations

All appointments to Special Committees must be approved by Council.

The composition of the Committee was structured so that various segments of the community are represented.

The Committee members will assist the City in an advisory capacity regarding homelessness issues within the municipal boundaries of the City of Yellowknife. Appointing a full complement of Members will ensure that the work of the committee is completed in a timely fashion.

Committee recommends that Council appoint William Greenland, a representative who has lived experience of homelessness, to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) for a two-year term commencing March 14, 2023, and ending March 13, 2025.

MOVE APPROVAL

10. The meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

MEMORANDUM TO COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE: Governance and Priorities / Council

DATE: March 13, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

ISSUE: Whether to approve the reallocation of a portion of 2022-23 Reaching Home remaining funding for the 2022/2023 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council reallocate \$1,318,864.34 of the 2022-2023 Reaching Home - Canada's Strategy to End Homelessness funding to the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) for permanent supportive housing and/or transitional housing or other eligible capital activity in Yellowknife.

BACKGROUND:

On February 6, 2023, Council approved the recommendation from the City of Yellowknife Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) to allocate the remaining Reaching Home 2022-23 funding of \$1,468,864.34 to (a) Transition of Aspen Apartments into non-market housing (for capital and O&M costs): \$1,318,864.34; and (b) Salvation Army's Bailey House in alignment with Reaching Home Directives: \$150,000.00.

On March 6, 2023, Housing NWT (HNWT) confirmed to the City that it had adequate funds from other sources to be able to renovate Aspen Apartments into non-market housing. HNWT has suggested alternate use for the \$1.3M which would meet both Reaching Home requirements as well as community needs within Yellowknife.

HNWT is proposing to use the \$1.3M transfer through the City of Yellowknife from the Reaching Home funding to support GNWT's implementation of the Transitional Housing for Addictions Recovery Program (THARP) in Yellowknife. HNWT reviewed the THARP program requirements with the Department of Health and Social Services (HSS) and determined that a mixed-occupancy model for Aspen Apartments, which included both transitional housing for clients recovering from addictions and general public housing, was an incongruous use. To more effectively support addictions recovery, the \$1.3M would be used by HNWT to develop an asset to support the THARP program – either a retrofit of an existing 6-plex or a new build 6 bedroom facility with common living spaces.

COUNCIL POLICY / RESOLUTION OR GOAL:

Goal #3: Ensuring a high quality of life for all, including future generations.
Objective 3.3 Work with partners to address pressing social issues.
Action 3.3.2 Focus on bringing partners and funding to support the implementation of the City's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Council Motion #0016-23

That Council approve the recommendation from the City of Yellowknife Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) to allocate the remaining \$1,468,864.34 of 2022-2023 Reaching Home - Canada's Strategy to End Homelessness funding as follows:

1. Transition of Aspen Apartments into non-market housing (for capital and O&M costs): \$1,318,864.34; and
2. Salvation Army's Bailey House in alignment with Reaching Home Directives: \$150,000.00.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, BY-LAWS, STUDIES, PLANS:

Everyone is Home – Yellowknife's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

CONSIDERATIONS:Existing Programs/Services

CAB has previously allocated \$1,219,953 of the 2022/2023 funding as follows:

- Housing First for Youth \$175,000 – Homebase Yellowknife;
- Housing First for Families \$376,000 – YWCA;
- Housing First for Adults \$350,953 – Yellowknife Women's Society;
- Prevention and Shelter Diversion \$219,000 – Homebase Yellowknife; and
- Indigenous Case Management \$ 99,000 – Arctic Indigenous Wellness foundation.

As well, CAB determined, and Council subsequently approved, the allocation of \$2,064,562 in 2023-24 Reaching Home - Canada's Strategy to End Homelessness funding as outlined below.

1. Housing First for Youth: \$393,893;
2. Housing First for Families: \$594,893;
3. Housing First for Adults: \$569,846;
4. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Youth: \$100,000;
5. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Adults: \$100,000;
6. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Families: \$100,000;
7. Prevention & Shelter Diversion – Seniors: \$100,000; and
8. Indigenous Case Management: \$ 105,930.

There remains \$404,854 in 2023-24 Reaching Home funding to be allocated by CAB and approved by Council.

ALTERNATIVES TO RECOMMENDATION:

As the deadline to allocate the 2022-23 funding is March 31, 2023, there are no alternatives to the motion at this time.

RATIONALE:

The reallocation of funds previously identified for the renovation of Aspen Apartments to a second project, given HNWT's confirmation of adequate funds to complete Aspen, results in a broader impact of the Reaching Home 2022-23 funding allocation. This funding would now support not one but two projects which will expand the both the non-market housing stock and the social/transitional housing stock in Yellowknife for a broader client base.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Prepared: March 8, 2023;