

CITY OF WHITEHORSE
SPECIAL Council Meeting #2026-S2

DATE: May 20, 2026
TIME: 5:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS at City Hall

Mayor	Kirk Cameron
Deputy Mayor	Anne Middler
Reserve Deputy Mayor	Lenore Morris

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER 5:00 PM

AGENDA Adoption

BYLAWS

2026-21 Building & Plumbing Bylaw Amendment – Temporary Tents 1st and 2nd Reading

ADJOURNMENT

CITY OF WHITEHORSE

BYLAW 2026-21

A bylaw to amend the Building and Plumbing Bylaw 99-50.

WHEREAS section 220 of the *Municipal Act* provides that the power to adopt a bylaw or pass a resolution includes the power to amend or repeal the bylaw or resolution unless the Act or any other Act expressly provides otherwise; and

WHEREAS section 265(b) of the *Municipal Act* RSY 2002, c.154 provides that council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting municipal utilities, facilities, works, and improvements on private and public land including quarries, and sand and gravel pits; and

WHEREAS section 266(c) of the *Municipal Act* provides that, without restricting section 265, council may by bylaw provide for a system of licenses, inspections, permits, or approvals; and

WHEREAS it is deemed desirable that the Building and Plumbing Bylaw is amended to provide for the exemption of erecting temporary tents up to 60 square metres;

NOW THEREFORE the council of the municipality of the City of Whitehorse, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 10 of Bylaw 99-50 is hereby amended to add subsection (6) which reads as follows:
 - (6) A temporary tent or group of temporary tents is exempt from a building permit if all the following are met:
 - (a) The tent or combination of tents (those constructed less than 3 metres apart) is not more than 60 square metres in aggregate ground area;
 - (b) The tent is not attached to a building;
 - (c) The tent or combination of tents shall be constructed more than three metres from all other structures, including buildings and any other tents on the same property not forming part of the combination; and
 - (d) The installation is temporary and does not exceed 14 days, unless otherwise authorized by the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

Regardless of the exemption for a building permit, the structure and its components, connections and fabric must be designed to resist snow and wind loads for Whitehorse. As per the National Building Code, an allowance for the removal of the snow should not form part of the design. All fabric, textile or film is required to be certified to CAN/ULC-S109 "Flame Tests of Flame-Resistant Fabrics and Films" or NFPA 701 "Fire Tests for Flame Propagation"

AMENDING BYLAW 2026-21

2. This bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon final passage thereof.

FIRST and SECOND READING:
THIRD READING and ADOPTION:

Kirk Cameron, Mayor

Corporate Services