

Whitehorse

CITY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS OCTOBER 2, 2026

In focus

National Family Week

Celebrate National Family Week at the Canada Games Centre from Monday, October 5 to Friday, October 9.

Each day will feature free activities designed to get the whole family moving, creating, exploring, and spending time together. Come enjoy activities like:

- Soccer
- Zumba
- Crafts
- Basketball
- Outdoor adventures (ages 2 - 6)
- Floor hockey (ages 6+)
- Movin' & Groovin' (ages 2 - 6)
- Glow skate

Participation of a parent or guardian is required for all activities, except the glow skate, which is open to the general public.

Visit whitehorse.ca/events for a full schedule and activity details.



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National Seniors Day

Join the City of Whitehorse and the ElderActive Recreation Association for a National Seniors Day celebration on Monday, October 5 at the Canada Games Centre, 10 am - 1 pm. Visit whitehorse.ca/events for more details.

Short-Term Rentals

City Council has adopted new regulations for Short-Term Rentals (STRs) in Whitehorse. These include rules around where STRs are allowed in Whitehorse and what is required to operate an STR. A Business License and one-time Development Permit will be required to operate an STR. Find more info and learn how to apply for permits and licenses at: whitehorse.ca/str.

Open Burning

Open burning is allowed in Whitehorse from October 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027. Permits are required for all open burning. Seasonal, 7-day, and land clearing permits are available. Visit whitehorse.ca/burning-with-wood to learn more and apply for a permit.

Community Wildfire Protection Plan

Help shape the City's Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The City is developing plan that will assess hazards and risks, identify areas of concern and recommend actions to help make Whitehorse more resilient. Provide your input and take a survey at engagewhitehorse.ca. Survey is open until Saturday, October 31.

Outdoor Skating Rinks

Do you love to skate? In partnership with local residents, the City installs and maintains outdoor skating rinks. Every fall, neighbourhood representatives submit applications to have the rink in their area activated for the upcoming winter. Visit whitehorse.ca/rinks or contact parks@whitehorse.ca to learn more or volunteer.

Next City Council meeting

The next City Council meeting is Monday, October 5 at 5:30 pm at City Hall Council Chambers. Please use the Steele Street entrance. Find more info at whitehorse.ca/meetings.