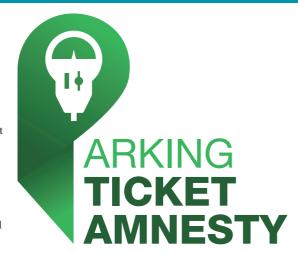
# **COUNCIL UPDATE**

#### **PARKING TICKET AMNESTY**

- The City of Nelson is offering all outstanding parking ticket holders a one-time opportunity to pay a reduced payment of \$15 per outstanding parking ticket from now until January 19, 2019.
- Payment can be made on-line at parking.nelson.ca or at City Hall at 310 Ward Street with one of our Customer Service Representatives.
- This is a one-time offer from the City as we transition to a new parking payment system Questions? Call (250) 352-5511 or nelson.ca/parking.



### **CITY PARKADE**

The Nelson & District Youth Centre will be taking over the day-to-day operations of the City Parkade on January 1, 2019. The decision to move to an internal operator coincided with the current operator's contract ending in December and the overall capacity available at the Youth Centre to take on this new social enterprise and follow a similar youth employment model used at the City campground.

The City of Nelson would like the public to know that it is business as usual at the parkade, and that all current user contracts will be honoured to the end of the contract date. Day-to-day operations will remain the same going forward, with an emphasis on excellence in customer service and safety. For more information, call Jordan Martin, Youth Centre Manager at (250) 352-8100 Ext. 362.

# **NELSON FIBRE**

## THE FASTEST HIGHWAY TO THE INTERNET CLOUD!

Join the growing number of users that are signing up to connect to the internet or interconnect remote branch offices, via Nelson's municipally-owned fibre optic network and its partner service providers. Ask about our group installation program to minimize the installation costs of fibre to your building.

Get your building connected: Contact us at nelsonfibre@nelson.ca or phone Nelson Fibre at 250-352-8289. We'll manage the construction to the building for you and your service provider will light you up! For more information, visit http://www.nelsonbroadband.com.

### **ABOUT NELSON FIBRE**

Nelson Fibre is a telecommunications infrastructure owned by the City of Nelson. Nelson Fibre is a dark fibre 'Open Access' infrastructure, meaning that fibre end-users have choice of local service providers, including a new 1GB internet provider.

## **NELSON HYDRO**

## WHAT TO DO DURING A POWER OUTAGE?

Fallen trees, high winds, freezing rain, even automobile accidents can cause power outages that may last from several hours to a few days. Loss of power during winter months can result in cold, damp homes. Homeowners can protect their homes against frost damage by installing standby heating systems that permit continued occupancy throughout a winter storm emergency. The consequences of power loss can be minimized by taking the following necessary precautions:

- Determine whether the power outage is affecting only your home or whether it includes your neighbours. If your neighbour still has power, check your circuit breaker panel or fuse box.
- If your circuit breaker panel or fuse box has not tripped off, call the Nelson Hydro Outage Phone Line at 1-877-324-9376 to report the outage.
- If you see a downed power line, please call immediately with the exact location. Keep back a minimum of 10 metres from the wires or anything in contact with the wires, and warn others of the danger.

Always assume that the lines are energized.

# **OPERATIONS**

#### **WINTER SNOW & ICE MANAGEMENT**

First priority for snow plowing is to clear and sand emergency routes, major access routes and streets in the downtown area. ODD / EVEN RULE: From November 1st to April 30th each year, vehicles must be parked on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered dates and be parked on the even-numbered side of the



street on even-numbered dates within residential zones to allow the City's snow clearing operations to plow close to the curbs and maintain maximum street width.

#### Snow windrows on driveways

Plowing of snow may result in a windrow of snow across private driveways and business accesses. The City of Nelson regrets this; however, we simply do not have the resources to clear these windrows from individual driveways.

#### Trailers parked on City streets

Trailers parked on the streets not attached to vehicles will be towed as per Bylaw No. 3156. "No person shall park any trailer unattached upon any highway unless in emergency situations or the trailer is attached to a vehicle by which it may be propelled or drawn".

### City Sidewalk Snow Removal

Designated high traffic sidewalks will be plowed of snow by the Operations Department. Of the streets in the program, only one side of the sidewalk will be cleared of snow. Business owners and residents are required to remove accumulation of snow or ice on their sidewalks by 11:00am each day (except Sunday for businesses).

Would you like more information on the City's Snow Plowing Program? Visit www.nelson.ca/winter.

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

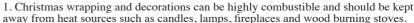
### **NELSON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

#### **Holiday Season Road-Checks**

As the holiday season begins, police across the province will be out in force to deter impaired drivers. Impaired driving is still a leading cause of fatal crashes. Members of the Nelson Police Department will be out conducting spontaneous road-checks at many different locations throughout the City from now until January 3, 2019 in an effort to reduce impaired driving over the holiday season. Please plan ahead for a safe ride home.

## **NELSON FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES**

Nelson Fire & Rescue Services would like to remind you to be Fire Safe this holiday season. Here are some tips:



- 2. Gift wrap and boxes should be collected as soon as gifts are opened and discarded with the garbage or recycled where possible. Do not burn them in the fireplace.
- 3. Decorate with flame-retardant or non-combustible materials. Never use lit candles as decorations 4. Use only those lights that have been tested and labelled by an approved testing laboratory.
- Examine light strings, cords, plugs and receptacles before using. Discard any that have frayed cords, cracks in the lamp holders or loose connections.
- 5. Do not overload electrical circuits or extension cords, and follow instructions on cord labels regarding connecting lights strings to extension cords.
- 6. Never place furniture or other objects over electrical cords and in particular, never run electrical cords under a rug. With a rug covering the cord, any damage the cord may sustain can go
- 7. Avoid using timers on indoor lights. Tree lights could turn on when no one is home and create a potential fire hazard. Always turn Christmas lights off before leaving home or going to sleep.

## **ECOSAVE**

## **GIVE THOSE WINTER BILLS THE COLD SHOULDER!**

Register for the EcoSave Program to find out how you can save energy and money.



There are a lot of new rebate offers and there is a 3.5% financing loan that you can use to pay for energy upgrades, this is then repaid on your Nelson Hydro electric bill. Check out your home on the heat map, see if heat is escaping and what you can do to stop it at https://myheat.ca.

To learn more visit nelson.ca/ecosave or contact Carmen Proctor at 250-509-2021 or cproctor@nelson.ca.

### STATUTORY HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

Offices are closed on December 25 & 26, 2018 for Christmas and Boxing Day and January 1st, 2019 for New Years Day.

## **AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY SERVICE**

For Operations emergency service, please call 250-352-3103. To report a power outage, electrical hazard, damage to Nelson Hydro equipment or for outage updates, call 1-877-32HYDRO (1-877-324-9376).

**NELSON TRANSIT SERVICE** Transit service is not available on December 25 & 26, 2018 and January 1st, 2019. For transit information visit www.bctransit.com or call 1-855-993-3100.

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