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### ***Municipal Act* review launched**

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is moving forward with a review of Yukon's *Municipal Act* with support from the Association of Yukon Communities, Community Services Minister Elaine Taylor today announced.

"The *Municipal Act* provides a foundation for strong local governance and is crucial to the sustainability of Yukon communities," Taylor said. "The Yukon government is pleased to work in partnership with the Association of Yukon Communities to review and update the *Municipal Act* to better meet the needs of municipal governments and the citizens they serve."

The review will unfold over a two-year period leading to amendments to the legislation in 2014. Meetings will be held across Yukon with all municipal councils, interested First Nations and the general public to address priorities related to the legislation.

"A review of the *Municipal Act* is needed and we look forward to meeting with Yukoners and working with our association's member municipal councils and local advisory councils to gather their ideas on improving this important act," Association of Yukon Communities president Elaine Wyatt said. "This joint review will go a long way to help ensure that our local governments have the best possible tools to govern themselves responsibly and ensure access to the services our communities need for the benefit of all Yukoners."

The first meeting in Yukon's eight municipalities begins today, Tuesday June 12 at noon at the St. Elias Convention Centre in Haines Junction. It will be followed by a meeting with the Village of Haines Junction council.

For more information and to follow our blog on *Our Towns, Our Future* visit:  
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