


# 2021 Brockton

## Accomplishments

2021 was a busy year, packed full with Council and Committee Meetings, projects and pandemic pressures.

Brockton Council and staff have been working hard in 2021 and while every accomplishment and project could not possibly fit within this single document, a number of projects have been highlighted. This document provides a snapshot into our 2021.



## Administration

### East Ridge Business Park

Staff facilitated \$932,000 in revenue from the sale of lands in East Ridge Business Park with the sale of 14.5 acres in 2021. Staff also have an additional 8.6 acres of land pending closure in 2022 at a value of \$1,054,000.

The first of three phases to expand the business park was tendered and approved by Council in the amount of \$3.6 million.

**23.1** acres  
of land sold or pending  
closure to total more than  
**\$1.9** million  
in revenue

### Developments

Staff have been receiving an unprecedented amount of development requests, from preconsultation requests to those seeking draft plan approval for development for a range of housing options. These will all contribute to a the supply of housing for all income levels.

### National Truth and Reconciliation Day

All staff participated in the Canadian Indigenous Culture - Truth & Reconciliation Edition: Online Training as part of National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

### The Strategic Action Plan

The Strategic Action Plan process began in February 2021. After months of communications, survey's, focus group meetings and a various Council meetings, 106 actions were presented to Council and will be implemented and reported on yearly

**106** actions as  
part of the  
Strategic Action Plan

### Natural Gas Expansion

After three years of work advocating by staff, Council and local MPP's, we received notice of \$20 million in funding for EPCOR to expand the South Bruce Natural Gas distribution project into Brockton. this expansion will service over 500 Brockton homes.

With construction planned  
for 2023, an additional

**500**  
households will have  
access to natural gas



# Clerks

## Committee Review

All Committees of Council underwent a review to ensure their effectiveness at meeting the needs of the residents and Council, and a new Terms of Reference has been established for each.

# 100%

**of Committees of  
Council Reviewed**

## Continuous Communication

Throughout the COVID pandemic, the Clerks department has been diligent in ensuring accurate information is provided to Council and residents through the various communication channels, including the Brockton Buzz, Social Media and News Items



## BIA Restructuring

Through all the changes in the BIA, staff have been on hand to facilitate member engagement on the possible restructuring options and facilitating the transition of managers to continue to support the business community.

## By-law's and Agreements

Staff have worked on a variety of by-law's and agreements over the course of 2021, including purchases, expanded services for residents and more.

# 161

**By-laws  
approved**

Including:

- Community Safety & Well-Being Plan
- Purchase of two tandem plow trucks
- Support for the \$20 million EPCOR Natural Gas Project
- Eh!Tel Agreement for fibre internet services to rural Brockton
- Purchasing and Procurement Policy
- GTR Transit Agreement
- Regional Fire Training Centre Agreements

# 40

**Council, Court of Revision and  
Committee of Adjustment  
meetings broadcasted in 2021**

With about a **40%** increase  
in views  
in 2021, compared to 2020

**eSCRIBE Broadcasting  
software launched successfully**

## Operations

### Water and Sewer System Upgrades

Staff worked with Veolia to ensure our water and sewer systems continued working and meeting or exceeding legislated standards. A number of projects were completed this year, including a UV Disinfection System, Chlorine Analyzer and many more., that will ensure continuous infrastructure renewal and improvements

**16** Water and Sewer Projects  
**\$1** million worth more than

Between 2021 and 2022

**2** new snow plows have been purchased

to maintain

**443** kilometres of roadway

### Construction Projects

There were 2 major road reconstruction and 3 major bridge repair or reconstruction projects in 2021 in addition to general maintenance.

**2** Kilometres

of road reconstruction and repairs / reconstruction of

**3** Bridges & Culverts

**16** kilometres of roadway received single surface treatment in 2021



## Building and Planning

### Building

Staff have continued to provide a high level of customer service with a significant increase in building permits and inspections in 2021: including 217 permits and 871 inspections (January 1 - November 30).

**\$53.8**  
**million**

in building value added

from

**217**

Building  
Permits

**58%**

more single family home building  
permits in 2021 over 2020.

**56.5%**

more building value added in 2021 over  
all of 2020.

**This is more than 2019 and 2020 combined!**

**871**

Inspections  
completed

**63** complaints  
received,  
with **86%**  
completed

### By-law Complaint Policy

Staff worked on the creation of a complaints policy to track and ensure a timely response to complaints received by staff.

## Recreation

### Programming Restarted

The COVID pandemic had stalled a number of recreation programs, however in June we were thrilled to reopen a number of programs including swimming, summer day camp, camp in a box and more.

**233**  
swimmers

**223**  
Summer  
Day  
Campers

### Capital Equipment Replacements

The Centennial Park Pool and Arena capital equipment replacement was completed this year and is expected to have a 15% natural gas fuel reduction as well as a 20,000 kWh decrease in hydro usage

**121%** ↑  
in Lobies Campground  
Revenues

Expected  
**20,000** kWh ↓ in hydro usage and a  
**15%** ↓ in Natural Gas usage due to  
capital upgrades

### Grant Applications

Staff have applied for 14 grants in 2021 for recreation, with \$185,000 approved and \$14.7 million pending.

**14**  
grants  
written

**\$95,000**  
in donations

for Market Garden and Recreation Programs

**2,623**  
Skaters at the Lobies  
Park Skating Trail



## Treasury

### Brockton Dollars

Staff have begun to oversee the Walkerton dollars program, and have rebranded to the newly minted Brockton Dollars, which will be available for January 2022.



More than **66%** of tax arrears were collected in 2021

### Cyber Security Training

All staff and Council have received additional cyber security training to mitigate future risks

## Child Care

### Programming

Staff have been able to fill (to COVID capacities) the Child Care Centre, including the school age programs.

Many residents were able to take advantage of the Emergency Full Day School Age Program, which was available during the school year when the schools were closed because of the pandemic to support our local front line workers

**0** COVID outbreaks

**70%** of the Waitlist was accommodated this year

## Fire

### Regional Training Centre Launched

Staff launched the Brockton Regional Training Centre, in partnership with the Ontario Fire college and Bruce Power, in order to provide training services for Brockton and area firefighters

**4** Classes, including one in person, certifying **15** Firefighters

