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**By email**

January 27, 2022

Sonya Watson  
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Dear Sonya Watson:

Thank you for your letter of November 1, 2021, requesting a review of the 2022 Annual Billing Statement for the Municipality of Brockton.

Under the current billing model, all municipalities are paying the same base service cost per property. This is in addition to the cost for calls for service and other charges such as overtime, accommodation, cleaning services and court security. These costs are added to the municipal bill only if they are applicable and/or are specified in the contract.

I have requested that the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) review your statement, discuss potential cost-saving opportunities with you and share any pertinent information with staff in the Ministry of the Solicitor General's Corporate Services Division so that we can better understand the issues you have identified. I understand from the OPP that its Municipal Policing Bureau has been in touch with you and preliminary discussions have taken place.

Our government understands the importance of working with our municipal partners and we remain committed to serving and meeting the needs of communities across Ontario.

I look forward to continued collaboration between the Municipality of Brockton and the ministry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sylvia Jones'.

Sylvia Jones  
Solicitor General

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c: OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique

Mary Silverthorn  
Provincial Commander, OPP Corporate Services