

Report to Council

Report Title:	Enabling Accessibility Fund - Playground Resurfacing Project Agreement		
Prepared By:	Eric McDougall, Parks, Recreation and Facilities Supervisor		
Department:	Parks and Recreation		
Date:	February 12, 2019		
Report Number:	REC2019-04	File Number:	C11REC
Attachments:	Resolution 18-16-251 Accessible and Safe Playgrounds Agreement Accessible and Safe Playgrounds Signing Officers Form		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby accepts Report Number REC2019-04 - Enabling Accessibility Fund - Playground Resurfacing Project Agreement, prepared by Eric McDougall; Parks, Recreation and Facilities Supervisor and in so doing authorizes a By-Law coming forward approving signing the agreement and further that Council directs staff to proceed with preparation of a Request For Proposals in accordance with the Purchasing and Procurement Policy.

Report:

Background:

At the July 23, 2018 Council Meeting staff brought forward Report Number REC2018-08 requesting to submit an application for the Government of Canada Enabling Accessibility Fund for small project components for the Resurfacing of the playgrounds at the Tot Lot, Centennial Park and Optimist Park playgrounds to an accessible surface material. Council approved Resolution 18-16-251, authorizing staff to proceed with the application at the Council Meeting on July 23, 2018.

Analysis:

Brockton Parks and Recreation staff worked with Fairtax to complete the Enabling Accessibility Fund for small project components with an application to upgrade playground surfacing material to an accessible option. The amount approved for the Enabling Accessibility Grant is \$69,584. The project period is from February 1 2019 until January 31, 2020.

This Project funding consists of removing the gravel surfaces of the Tot Lot, Centennial and Optimist Parks and upgrading them with wheelchair accessible surface material which would either be engineered wood fibre or poured in place rubber.

The total project was originally quoted and estimated for \$122,420 and the Enabling Accessibility Fund required the Municipality to match 35% of the project cost. The original application request from the Enabling Accessibility Fund was for \$79,573.00 with the Municipality matching \$58,761.00 (35% + Fairtax fee of 20% of the successful funding amount).

We are pleased to report we received funding but our awarded funding was reduced to \$69,584.00; as Security and Security fencing was not eligible. This deduction brings the estimated remaining municipal contribution to \$66,752.00 (remaining project estimated cost + Fairtax fee of 20% of the successful funding amount).

Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

- Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity? N/A
- Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity? N/A
- Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity? Yes

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective? Yes


The matching funds required are planned to be presented and discussed during the 2019 budget meetings.

Reviewed By:



Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Eric McDougall Parks, Recreation and Facilities Supervisor

Reviewed By:

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Chief Administrative Officer