

Report to Council

Report Title:	Canadian Indigenous Flag		
Prepared By:	Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk		
Department:	Clerk's		
Date:	June 21, 2022		
Report Number:	CLK2022-15	File Number:	C11CL
Attachments:	Draft Amended Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2022-15 - Canadian Indigenous Flag, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk and in doing so ratifies the decision of the Clerk to order the Canadian Indigenous Flag and raise the flag for a week-long period beginning June 20, 2022 until June 24, 2022 in recognition of Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21st and Indigenous History Month in June.

And further that Council approves bringing a By-Law forward to adopt the amended Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy including an exemption for raising the Canadian Indigenous Flag annually.

Report:

Background:

The Municipality of Brockton passed Resolution 21-27-16 recognizing the Truth and Reconciliation Commissions Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation. As part of this resolution, several actions were approved that staff would implement within Brockton, including the purchase of Every Child Matters flags, and raising the flags half-mast annually in September in recognition of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

Analysis:

June is Indigenous History Month, and Indigenous Peoples Day occurs on June 21st, 2022. As part of our continued implementation to address the calls to action, and in recognition of these two events in June, the Clerk authorized staff to order a 36" x 72" 210D Nylon Canadian Indigenous Flag to raise at the community flag pole.

The Canadian Indigenous Flag was designed to represent First Nations in Canada, and bring a better understanding of the First Nations to our country with a unified vision of our diversity.



Image courtesy of canadianindigenousflag.ca

Staff have prepared the flag to be raised at the community flag pole the week of June 20-24, 2022.

The flag will be raised each year during the month of June in recognition of Indigenous History Month and Indigenous Peoples Day. Staff have amended the Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy to include an exemption for the Canadian Indigenous Flag.

Strategic Action Plan Checklist:

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

- Recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision Yes
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Heritage, Culture, and Community Yes
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Quality of Life Yes
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Land Use Planning and the Natural Environment N/A
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Development N/A
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Municipal Governance Yes

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

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

The flag cost \$158.14 including H.S.T. and shipping. The cost will be funded through the General Government budget.

Reviewed By:

Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:

Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Reviewed By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sonya Watson", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer