

Report to Council

Report Title:	Final Draft Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan		
Prepared By:	Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services		
Department:	Parks and Recreation		
Date:	March 7, 2023		
Report Number:	REC2023-07	File Number:	C11REC, C08
Attachments:	Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan – March 2023		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2023-07 – Final Draft Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the final Municipality of Brockton – Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan as presented.

Report:

Background:

On January 31, 2023 council received Report Number REC2023-03 Draft Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan as information and directed that the draft plan be presented to the Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee for further consideration and comment; and that the final plan be presented to Council for consideration of adoption at the March 7, 2023 Council Meeting.

The consultant team of thinc design, municipal staff and the Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee further considered the feed back received from Council in completing a final review of the draft plan at its February 21, 2023 meeting.

Analysis:

An executive summary was added to the plan as well as some additional information on efficiencies and cost savings within the service delivery section. The following text was added to clarify the intent of maps illustrating the potential opportunities for the expanding the trail network within Brockton:

The maps illustrate potential trail/trail segment routes to arrive at an interconnected system over the long term (and possibly well beyond the term of the Master Plan). Some of the proposed trails traverse private property, which would require consultation with individual landowners to determine their interest in trail development on their land, and negotiations on access to their property for development

and use. In some cases, acquisition might be an appropriate solution while in others easement agreements might afford required access. The purpose of the Master Plan exercise is to identify potential locations/parcels of interest, so that the Municipality is aware of them should opportunities arise to access them for trail development.

The Committee fully agrees and supports the recommendations of the plan and intends to review annually with staff in advance of the budget process and report back to Council annually on its progress and implementation. No further changes were made.

The final report to the grant program has been successfully filed with the Ministry.

This has been a timely project in the community as Brockton experiences growth. Staff and Committee look forward to using this plan as a guide to direct the planning and provision of recreation services, parks, trails and facilities for the next ten years.

The attached final draft of the Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan is provided for Council's consideration and adoption.

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 Yes
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Development Yes
- 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

This project was 75% funded by a grant from the Municipal Modernization Program Intake III with the municipal portion approved within the 2023 Budget.

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services

Reviewed By:

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer