

## Report to Council

**Report Title:** Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement Activity Report January to April 2023

**Prepared By:** Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO

**Department:** By-Law Enforcement

**Date:** May 23, 2023

**Report Number:** BL2023-02

**File Number:** C11BY

**Attachments:**

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### **Recommendation:**

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BL2023-02 - Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement Activity Report January to April 2023, Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO for information purposes

### **Report:**

#### **Background:**

To provide quarterly statistics related to Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement activity for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

#### **Analysis:**

#### **By-Law Enforcement Update**

Municipal Staff have been active in responding and attending to By-Law Enforcement Activity. To date no calls of service have been directed to James Special Service who are under contract until July 10<sup>th</sup> 2023 and Municipal Staff have been to maintain By-Law Enforcement service levels internally.

#### **False Alarm By-Law**

In March of 2022, the Municipality of Brockton enacted the False Alarm By-Law for cost recovery related to the delivery of Police Services and responses to At Fault False Alarms. The following statistics are available for the previous year period.

## False Alarm Statistics April 2022 to April 2023

### Number of False Alarms

2022

2023

| April | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | March | April | Total<br>Year to Date |
|-------|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-----------------------|
| 12    | 7   | 11   | 6    | 8   | 5    | 8   | 9   | 5   | 2   | 4   | 4     | 2     | 83                    |

### Warnings and Invoices Issued

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| First Occurrence warnings  | 42* |
| Second Occurrence Invoices | 16  |
| Third Occurrence Invoices  | 8   |
| Fourth Occurrence Invoices | 6   |
| Fifth Occurrence Invoices  | 4   |
| Sixth Occurrence Invoices  | 3   |

\*4 of the false alarms occurrences were grouped together in the “first occurrence warnings” as a result of the occurrence being reported within the same monthly report.

Total Properties with at fault false alarms notices: 42

Total Invoices issued: 37

Invoices Outstanding at the time of this report: 4

Total Fees Invoiced and Collected: \$8,100.00

Total Fees Outstanding: \$1,631.65 (including interest)

### **By-Law Enforcement Activity**

The following chart provides an overview of By-Law enforcement activity related to formal complaint matters within the Municipality of Brockton. The number of complaints is not reflective of by-law related inquiries where no formal written complaint is received. By-Law Enforcement Staff have accumulated a total of 6 hours related to Encampment matters during the reporting period while continuing to engage and work with Community Partners.

By-Law Complaints January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023- April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

| <b>Municipal By-Law</b> | <b>Complaints Received</b> | <b>Active</b> | <b>Inactive</b> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Animal Control          | 9                          | 1             | 8               |
| Property Standards      | 4                          | 3             | 1               |
| Encampment              | 2                          | 1             | 1               |

**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 N/A
- Recommendations contribute to achieving Heritage, Culture, and Community N/A
- 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?  
N/A

There are no financial considerations with respect to the Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement Activity Report.

**Reviewed By:**



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

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**Respectfully Submitted by:**



Dieter Wetz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO

**Reviewed By:**



Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer