

Report to Council

Report Title:	Robinson and South Street, Walkerton Pedestrian Crossover		
Prepared By:	Nicholas Schnurr, Director of Operations		
Department:	Operations		
Date:	May 23, 2023		
Report Number:	PW2023-12	File Number:	C11PW
Attachments:	Policy T02-2017-17 Amendments to Traffic and Parking By-Law Map of Proposed School Crossing		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2023-12 – Robinson and South Street, Walkerton Pedestrian Crossover, prepared by Nicholas Schnurr, Director of Operations and in doing so directs staff to proceed with a school crossing as per the Amendments to Traffic and Parking By-Law Policy T02-2017-17.

Report:

Background:

On April 11, 2023 at the Brockton Council meeting, Councillor Greg McLean brought forward new business, concerning pedestrian's unsafe crossing from the south side of South Street to the north side and onto the east sidewalk on Robinson. Council moved to direct staff to bring forward a report considering the installation of a pedestrian crossover at this location.

Analysis:

Pedestrian crossings are available in various levels of complexity and expense. It is important to consider the appropriate crossing for each application and the normal process involved. Considering the immediate location of the high school, the most appropriate crossing would be a school crossing, consisting of two "Crossing Ahead" signs and two "Pedestrian Crossing" signs, one in each direction, with crosswalk lines painted on the surface of the road at the crossing itself.

School crossings are considered uncontrolled crossings when they are not attended to by a crossing guard. Brockton already has one such crossing on Cemetery Road, by Hinks Street. Installing the same crossing on South Street would be a consistent approach by Brockton Council for crossings of this nature.

Following the process as laid out in Brockton’s traffic and parking by-law and following Council’s direction, staff would advertise on the Brockton website, the Brockton Buzz, social media as well as notify all residents within 120m of the proposed amendment. All written comments, together with any additional staff comments would then be presented at a future council meeting. This process would see the installation of the school crossing for the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year.

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 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 N/A

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective?
N/A

No direct cost at this time, just staff time to gather the information, post information on our website and social media as required

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Nicholas Schnurr, Director of Operations

Reviewed By:



Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer