

Report to Council

Report Title:	O.P.P. Contract Extension to 2025		
Prepared By:	Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer		
Department:	Administration		
Date:	September 12, 2023		
Report Number:	CAO2023-15	File Number:	C11AD, P16PO, L04
Attachments:	Current OPP Contract		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2023-15 – O.P.P. Contract Extension to 2025, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and in doing so authorizes bringing a By-Law forward to amend the existing O.P.P. Contract for a two-year term to December 31st, 2025 or until such time as the Community Safety and Policing Act regulations are completed.

Report:

Background:

The purpose of this report is to determine the extension term for the existing OPP Contract. In April of 2022 Council may recall Report Number CAO2022-14 seeking Council's direction on a contract extension due to the existing OPP contract being set to expire the 30th day of June, 2022. With the legislative changes underway to transition from the Police Services Act ("PSA") to the Community Safety and Policing Act ("CSPA") the regulations were not yet completed that will see Municipalities transition from a Section 10 framework under the PSA to the new OPP detachment framework under the CSPA. As a result of the regulations not being released the Municipal Policing Bureau had been extending Municipal Section 10 contracts by way of an amending agreement for ease of simplicity until the CSPA regulations are released. Once the CSPA comes into effect the amended agreement or if a new contract was entered it would become null and void.

Analysis:

As result Council approved an extension of the OPP Contract until December 31st, 2023. Wording was also included that the agreement that it was proposed to expiry on December 31, 2023, or when the CSPA comes into force. Unfortunately, the CSPA is still not in force and effect and an additional extension is required. The Ministry is allowing 1-year or 2-year extensions by way of an amending agreement. If Council is interested in a longer term than 2 years it will require a full new contract renewal.

As the effective date of the CSPA is still unknown we would recommend Council approve a two-year extension. The clause related to the passage of the CSPA will remain intact making the agreement null and void upon regulation approval. This should assist in avoiding the need to bring back additional extension requests with an anticipated passage of the CSPA during this two-year time frame.

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? Yes

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer