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Report to Council

Report Title: Municipal Alcohol Management Policy Amendment Request

Prepared By: Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Department: Recreation

Date: September 26, 2023

Report Number: REC2023-29 **File Number:** C11REC

Attachments: Walkerton Capitals Jr. C Hockey Club letter,

By-law 2023-051 Municipal Alcohol Management Policy

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2023-29 – Municipal Alcohol Management Policy Amendment Request, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer and in doing so approves the request to amend the Municipal Alcohol Policy By-Law to include the "figure skating room/Capitals Office" as an approved designated area.

Report:

Background:

On April 25, 2023 municipal staff brought forward the Updated Municipal Alcohol Policy which was adopted by Council. In the policy there are specific areas within each facility that are designated areas and conditions for the use of alcohol. The Walkerton Community Centre currently has the following areas listed as areas available for licensing:

- Auditorium
- Arena Floor and,
- Grounds (parking area)

The policy also outlines areas that are prohibited from consumption of alcoholic beverages, such as:

- All facility dressing rooms and park change rooms and washrooms
- All facility lobbies,
- Permanent fixed tiered seating, arena spectator areas;
- Pool and deck areas
- Parks, trails, playgrounds, walkways and open space
- All municipal sports playing fields (excluding ball diamonds)

Analysis:

On September 21, 2023 staff received the attached letter from the Walkerton Capitals Jr. C Hockey Club requesting an amendment to the policy to include the "figure skating room/Capitals Office" to be licensed for the duration of the Special Occasion Permit (SOP). The letter indicates that only the executive will have access to this room during this time, all members have their smart serve, no alcohol will be allowed within the tiered seating area or in/out of the room.

Staff have requested that if Council approve the request to include this room to be licensed for their events, that the mini fridge that is located in that room be removed, all alcoholic beverages are to be removed by the end of the event and not stored within the room between the events. The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) SOP does require all alcohol be removed by the end of the event. Additionally, this is a shared space and removal of all alcohol would be required to allow proper, safe usage for the other user groups.

Staff have reviewed the request and feel that the request is reasonable and recommend the amendment to the by-law to allow for the "figure skating room/Capitals Office" area to be licensed for the Walkerton Capitals Jr. C Hockey Club.

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 	Yes
Recommendations contribute to achieving Quality of Life	N/A
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

There is no financial impact to the municipality with the amendment to the by-law.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Reviewed By:

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