

Report to Council

Report Title:	Replacement Floor Scrubber		
Prepared By:	Colleen Gillis, Director of Community Services		
Department:	Parks and Recreation		
Date:	November 28, 2023		
Report Number:	REC2023-33	File Number:	C11REC
Attachments:	N/A		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2023-33- Replacement of Floor Scrubber, prepared by Colleen Gillis, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves the purchase of a new floor scrubber using surplus operating funds from 2023 Recreation Community Centre budget.

Report:

Background:

The Parks and Recreation Department currently has three floor scrubbers for daily use, however only two of the three scrubbers are operational. The Cargill Community Centre has one floor scrubber and the two additional floor scrubbers are located at the Walkerton Community Centre. One of the floor scrubbers is 11-years old and at the end of its useful life and no longer operational. The Walkerton Community Centre uses the floor scrubber for the upper and lower levels, including the change rooms for optimal cleaning. The use of floor scrubber provides proper sanitization of floor areas while conserving water usage and is a more efficient process compared to regular use of traditional mop.

Analysis:

The 11-year-old floor scrubber is no longer operational and would require costly repairs to the vacuum motor and purchase of new batteries in order to get it back into operations. However, these repairs and the battery replacement is only a short-term solution.

Currently staff are transporting in the elevator lift the one scrubber that is in good working condition from the upper and lower level. To transport the scrubber from one level to the other it requires removal of exterior parts to fit in the elevator lift (which is time consuming); bringing the floor scrubber outdoor which it is not designed for, then put the floor scrubber back together. The constant removal of parts and outdoor use will depreciate value and lifespan of this scrubber and are not an efficient use of staff time.

Staff recommend to extend the life of our 3-year-old working scrubber, to ensure proper sanitation and to improve staff efficiencies we are requesting the purchase of a new 18" battery operated floor scrubber with value of \$10,300 (+HST). The new battery-operated scrubber will be placed into service for use on lower level and old one moved to upper, auditorium. Staff have reviewed the operating budget and have additional funding in the Community Centre Equipment budget for the purchase of the floor scrubber.

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 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? Yes

This is considered a capital purchase that was unbudgeted therefore as per the Purchasing and Procurement Policy Council approval is required. Repairing current scrubber would be costly and will be a short-lived extension of its lifespan. Surplus operating funds will cover the cost of new scrubber.

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Colleen Gillis, Director of Community Services

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer