

Report to Council

Report Title: Durham Street Bridge Detour
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Department: Operations
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Attachments:

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2024-15 - Durham Street Bridge Detour, prepared by Nicholas Schnurr, Director of Operations for information purposes.

Report:

Background:

Bruce County has undertaken emergency repairs on the Durham Street Bridge in Walkerton by Tim Hortons. This work was approved by County Council to proceed, while maintaining a single lane of traffic, controlled by temporary traffic lights. Previous staff reports provided Council with updates on this project as well as opportunities to provide comment.

Analysis:

On the first day of the bridge lane closure, Brockton staff monitored Yonge St. N. and Concession 2, which were not intended to act as detours. Staff noticed that traffic on Concession 2 was significantly increased and noted serious aggressive driving behavior. In a proactive effort to curb the likelihood of an accident, staff contacted Bruce County staff to assist with speed signage. Two 50 km/h, black on orange signs were erected.

Black and orange signage is only used for construction, including speed limit signs. They do not require a by-law to post, and they suggest a safe speed, unlike the legislated black on white background, which is enforceable under the Highway Traffic Act (HTA). This action was taken proactively for the sole benefit of the resident's safety, who live and travel on this stretch of road.

Staff will continue to monitor the situation for safety and ensure signage is maintained. Staff further note that this is a temporary measure for the benefit of residents and will be removed when appropriate to do so.

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 Yes

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

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

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



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