

## Report to Council

<b>Report Title:</b>	2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan		
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk)		
<b>Department:</b>	Clerk's		
<b>Date:</b>	April 28, 2026		
<b>Report Number:</b>	CLK2026-08	<b>File Number:</b>	C11CL, A22
<b>Attachments:</b>	Draft 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan		

### Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2026-08 – 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk, and Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan for the Municipality of Brockton.

### Report:

#### Background:

Under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, S.O. 2005, c. 11 (AODA)*, all municipalities have a legal obligation to prepare multi-year accessibility plan. The Municipality of Brockton has adopted Multi-Year Accessibility Plans in 2012, 2014, and 2021 which included requirements under *Ontario Regulation 191/11: Integrated Accessibility Standards* and *Ontario Regulation 413/12: Integrated Accessibility Standards*. The Plans also outline how the Municipality will continue to remove barriers and improve accessibility for persons with disabilities, building upon accomplishments of previous accessibility plans and continues to implement Provincial requirements to continuing creating an accessible Ontario.

#### Analysis:

The 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan includes actions and processes by which Brockton has identified, removed, or prevented barriers, the monitoring process for the Plan, and how these initiatives will be communicated to the public. The Multi-Year Accessibility Plan incorporates initiatives included in the Strategic Action Plan, priorities included in the annual budget and guiding planning documents, as well as capital projects.

The Multi-Year Accessibility Plan is divided into headings showcasing the Municipalities accomplishments and initiatives/next steps in the areas of Customer Service, Information and Communications, Employment,

Procurement, Training, Design of Public Spaces, and Transit as well as accomplishments and future initiatives of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

The Accessibility Advisory Committee were consulted on the draft 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan. The Accessibility Advisory Committee's annual goals were also included in the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan, including additional Accessibility Awareness Days, a temporary ramp program for local businesses, and an Accessibility Awareness Ambassador Program.

The 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan will be circulated on our website, and hardcopies will be available at the Municipal Office, Walkerton and Cargill Libraries.

Staff recommend approving the 2026-2030 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and have prepared a By-Law to formally adopt the updated plan.

### **Brockton's Community Goals:**

The content and recommendations in this report support advancing the priorities to **Build a Better Brockton** in one or more of the following areas: **Heritage, Culture, and Community, Quality of Life, Municipal Governance, Land Use Planning and the Natural Environment, and/or Economic Development.**

### **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:**

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective? Yes

\$3,500 has been included in the 2026 operating budget for accessibility, with additional funding earmarked for capital projects that will improve accessibility.

### **Reviewed By:**



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

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### **Respectfully Submitted by:**



Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk



Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk)

### **Reviewed By:**



Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer