

Report to Council

Report Title: Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Agreement

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Department: Administration

Date: May 28, 2019

Report Number: CAO2019-15 **File Number:** C11, L04ON

Attachments: By-Law 2015-067
Draft OPP Agreement

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2019-15 – Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Agreement, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and further authorizes a By-Law coming forward in June.

Report:

Background:

The Municipality entered a three year contract on July 1, 2015 under Section 10 of the *Police Services Act* for the provision of police services which expires in June. The original agreement is attached for reference.

The Annualized 2015 Estimated Costs for July 2015 were \$2,186,106.00 or a cost per property of \$477.84.

Analysis:

The new draft contract is attached. The term proposed is from June 2019 to December 31, 2022 to correspond with the contract renewal dates for majority of OPP agreements.

The OPP billing model is the same across the province. This leaves little room for negotiations unless the Municipality is seeking enhanced services that would be examined and then would be added into the contract. At this time I am not aware of any enhanced services requested by Council. There are currently two school resource officers within the South Bruce Detachment area that are providing services. The Section 10 Police Services agreement allows for resource sharing amongst the South Bruce Detachment area on an on-going basis. The Municipality of Brockton is fortunate to have an OPP Detachment Office in Walkerton which results in the number of officers in Walkerton being consistently higher than other municipalities for response.

In accordance with the *Police Services Act S.10* a Police Service Board is mandatory and the Municipality is fortunate to have an active and informed committee that regular reviews and discusses community policing services and programming.

In relation to the historic costs associated with the agreement I have summarized below.

The Annualized 2017 costs for January – December 2017 were \$2,190,323

The Annualized 2018 costs for January- December 2018 were \$2,077,152

The Annualized 2019 Estimated Costs for January – December 2019 are \$2,098.939 or a cost per property of \$454.85. The “Base Service” rate in the estimate is the same across the province. The “Calls for Service” results in the billing differences across municipalities. The Municipality has realized a decrease in the cost per property under this agreement since 2015.

I have invited Sgt. Peter Marshall, Contract Analyst/Transition Coordinator and Detachment Commander, Krista Miller to attend the May 28, 2019 Council Meeting to provide further information on the Section 10 contract and be available for further questions from Council regarding the agreement.

Pending any further clarifications required, staff recommend bringing forward a By-Law authorizing signing the Police Services Agreement in June.

Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

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| • Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? | Yes |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy? | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity? | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity? | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity? | N/A |

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

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

The OPP billing has resulted in a reduction in the per property fee since 2015.

Reviewed By:



Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sonya Watson", written in dark ink.

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer