

Report to Council

Report Title:	Brockton Child Care Centre Expansion Update		
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Department:	Brockton Child Care Centre		
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Attachments:	Letter to Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board from Municipality Letter to Municipality from Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BCCC2019-02 - Brockton Child Care Centre Expansion Update, prepared by Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor for information purposes.

Report:

Background:

On June 21, 2019, Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, inquired with the Bruce Grey Catholic District (BGCDSB) School Board regarding the expansion plans for two rooms, creating 39 additional spaces at the Brockton Child Care Centre. It was the Brockton's understanding that the project construction was to be completed in 2019 with an opening in the fall.

Analysis:

The BGCDSB has been working closely with the Ministry of Education, however approval to proceed has not yet been granted. Once the approval is granted, BGCDSB will then be in a position to release the tender for bidding. At this point in time, it is unlikely that construction will begin in 2019. A letter from the BGCDSB is attached for Council's review. The timeline for approval and construction still remains unknown.

With the expansion of the Child Care Centre, Brockton has been recruiting Early Childhood Education (ECE) qualified staff to meet the ratios required for two additional classrooms. Staff will be reviewing the staff complement and the needs for the fall based on the delay in construction of the project. Recruitment of qualified ECE's is an ongoing challenge so we will be working to retain the staff we have to ensure we are in a position to support the expansion when it occurs. A further update will be provided as required.

Sustainability Checklist:

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

Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision?
Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy?
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?
N/A

Reviewed By:

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Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer