

Report to Council

Report Title: Arena Road Replacement and Optimist Park Project

Prepared By: Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation

Department: Parks and Recreation

Date: July 9, 2019

Report Number: REC2019-15 **File Number:** C11REC

Attachments: Arena Entranceway Map

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2019-15 - Arena Road Replacement and Optimist Park Project, prepared by Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, and in doing so delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer to accept a tender for the Optimist Park Project and Arena Road Replacement up to the 2019 budgeted amount with Council ratifying the decision at the August 13, 2019 Council Meeting.

Report:

Background:

At a site visit in 2018, it was discussed and identified that the Optimist Playground equipment was at the end of its useful life and that a replacement should be planned rather than enhancing the existing space. In the planning stages staff identified the safety and risks associated with the current location of the entranceway and playground equipment. Staff have been researching solutions to minimize the risks of the current location of the playground and road. It was determined that a relocation of the entranceway would allow for the Optimist Playground to be moved to a safer area of play for those utilizing the playground, as well as to a more accessible area to make the playground accessible.

The Walkerton and District Optimist Club kindly requested that Brockton staff provide options and quotes for replacement with the intention that the Optimist Club would fundraise for the total cost of the revitalization with support from the Community Improvement Committee and Brockton staff through grant applications. To date, the Optimist Club has been actively hosting fundraising initiatives and have created a fundraising/pledge package for businesses and members of the public to donate to this project.

During the 2019 budget deliberations, staff included the projected costs associated with relocating the road entrance. At that time Council directed staff to bring forward additional information pertaining to this project for further discussion.

Analysis:

B.M. Ross and Associates Limited will be tendering the project and the tender documents will be released shortly once finalized. The tender would need to close and be accepted prior to the next Council meeting to ensure project completion this fall. Due to time constraints, staff are requesting Council to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer to accept the tender up to the budgeted amount stated in the 2019 Capital Budget to allow the project can move forward in a timely manner. This decision will then be ratified at the August 13, 2019 Council Meeting by By-Law.

Should the tender amounts come higher than budgeted, a special meeting will be required to address the tender and determine the appropriate path forward.

Sustainability Checklist:

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

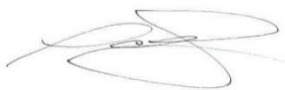
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| • Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? | Yes |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy? | Yes |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity? | Yes |
| • Do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

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

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

The project was included in the 2019 Capital Budget partially funded by the Utility Reserve Fund and Recreation long term borrowing funds.

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Recreation

Reviewed By:

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer