

Report to Council

Report Title:	ICIP Community, Culture and Recreation Grant		
Prepared By:	Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation		
Department:	Recreation		
Date:	September 24, 2019		
Report Number:	REC2019-24	File Number:	C11REC, F11
Attachments:	Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Community, Culture and Recreation Program Guidelines		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2019-24 - ICIP Community, Culture and Recreation Grant prepared by Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation for information purposes.

Report:

Background:

The Canadian Federal Government in partnership with the Ontario Provincial Government have offered, in 2019, a Grant Program entitled “Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program”. The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) was designed to create long-term economic growth, build inclusive, sustainable and resilient communities and support low-carbon economy. Overall, the Federal Government is providing \$11.8 Billion dollars in infrastructure funding to cost-share projects for Public Transit, Green Infrastructure, Community, Culture and Recreation, and Rural and Northern Communities.

The ICIP Grant is currently looking for eligible projects for their “Community, Culture, and Recreation” intake. Approximately \$407 Million in Federal funding and \$320 Million in provincial funding will be available over the next ten (10) years starting in 2019-20. Priority will be given to projects that are community-oriented, non-commercial, and open to the public. Projects must be substantially completed by March 31, 2027

The funding contribution is as follows:

Federal Contribution = 40%

Provincial Contribution = 33.33%

Applicant Contribution = 26.67%

The intake will include two (2) categories of funding:

- 1.) Multi-Purpose Category, or
- 2.) Rehabilitation and Renovation Category

There are a number of “Project Eligibility and Conditions”. One of the important criteria is that the project should be informed by an applicant’s asset management plan as outlined in Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure, Ontario Regulation 588/17. This means that the proposed project was identified based on the plan’s prioritized lifecycle activities (e.g. construction, maintenance, renewal, rehabilitation, replacement, etc.) for the applicable asset category (e.g. community recreation and cultural facilities). That being said, later in the same paragraph it does say, “Where a project is not based on an asset management plan, a strong rationale must be provided in the application form”.

The application and supporting documentation need to be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EDT on November 12, 2019. The province will notify applicants if their project has been selected for nomination to the federal government for review and approval in the winter of 2020. Applicants will be notified of the federal funding decision in the spring/ summer of 2020.

Analysis:

Staff are presenting this report for information purposes. Condition Assessments of Municipal recreation facilities have just been completed. The facilities are already a part of the Municipality’s Asset Management Plan and would therefore qualify. Grant funding for a “new build” is also possible however an aggressive and substantive project plan would need to be developed, in short order. The application due date is November 12, 2019.

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

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation

Reviewed By:

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer