Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Report to Council

Report Title: Brockton Child Care Centre Expansion Approval
Prepared By: Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer
Department: Child Care
Date: September 24, 2019
Report Number: BCCC2019-03  File Number: C11CH
Attachments: News Release from MPP Lisa Thompson – Additional Child Care Spaces coming to Walkerton

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BCCC2019-03 – Brockton Child Care Centre Expansion Approval, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer for information purposes.

Report:

Background:

On July 9, 2019, staff brought forward Report Number BCCC2019-02 – Brockton Child Care Centre Expansion Update, informing Council that the approval to proceed for the expansion had not yet been granted, and that it was unlikely that construction would begin in 2019.

Staff are pleased to announce that on September 19, 2019, MPP Lisa Thompson announced that the provincial government has given approval to tender a $1 million addition to the Brockton Child Care Centre, located at St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School in Walkerton.

Analysis:

The project will add two new child care rooms with 39 new child care spaces to the school. The announcement is part of the province’s ongoing capital investment program.

The Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board will now plan on issuing the construction tender this fall with construction planned for the Spring of 2020 based on tender results. It is expected that the child care spaces will be available for September 2020.

We acknowledge and commend the efforts of The Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board and the County of Bruce in this partnership. We are thrilled this project can now move forward and benefit young families in Brockton, and further develop our growing community.
Staffing needs for 2020 will be assessed and further updates will be provided to Council.

**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? 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? N/A
- 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

At this time we understand a municipal contribution will not be required for the capital expansion as long as the tender for construction is under $1 million dollars.

**Reviewed By:**

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Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

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**Respectfully Submitted by:**

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer