

Report to Council

Report Title:	Residential Hospice Land Commitment		
Prepared By:	Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk		
Department:	Administration		
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Attachments:	None		

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2019-22 - Residential Hospice Land Commitment, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk for information purposes and approves donating 3.5 acres of land, with a donation value of \$79,900.00 per acre, in the East Ridge Business Park in Walkerton to Residential Hospice Grey Bruce Inc. for the purpose of establishing a residential hospice for Southern Bruce and Grey Counties; and further that a By-law and agreement will come forward.

Report:

Background:

Residential Hospice Grey Bruce Inc. ("RHGB") operates a residential hospice known as Chapman House in Owen Sound. On May 14, 2019, representatives from RHGB attended the Council meeting and presented about the essential service provided by the organization, and its intention to establish a residential hospice in southern Bruce County. The goal of RHGB is to operate a facility no farther than a 50 minute drive for residents in Grey and Bruce Counties to ensure that families can be together and support one another through the end of life.

RHGB strives to ensure that residents are able to pass in dignity and comfort, and the community of Brockton has been steadfast in its support for this goal. Many members of the public are already committed to donating to this project.

At the May 14, 2019 meeting, Council passed a resolution supporting in principal having the residential hospice built in the East Ridge Business Park. At the time, the Environmental Assessment process for the East Ridge Business Park had not yet been completed and the servicing costs were unknown.

Analysis:

Since the May 14, 2019 meeting, Council has determined the preferred servicing phasing for the East Ridge Business Park and the Notice of Completion has been published in the local newspaper. As a result, the initial servicing costs, including the estimated cost of constructing the road, as well as the water and sanitary sewer systems have now been determined.

Now that these previously unknown factors have been determined, Council of the Municipality of Brockton directed staff to bring forward a motion for adoption expressing a full commitment to providing a 3.5 acre parcel in the East Ridge Business Park to RHGB for the purpose of establishing a residential hospice for Southern Bruce and Grey Counties.

Staff will follow up with RHGB the specific details of the transaction and bring forward an agreement to be adopted by By-Law in the future.

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?
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 financing for the servicing of the East Ridge Business Park will be considered in the 2020 budget process. The Municipality of Brockton already owns the land that would be donated, and the donation value of the land would be \$79,900.00 per acre.

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