

## Report to Council

**Report Title:** Armoury Building Heritage Designation Update

**Prepared By:** Fiona Hamilton, Clerk

**Department:** Clerk's

**Date:** December 17, 2019

**Report Number:** CLK2019-42                      **File Number:** C11CL, R01

**Attachments:** Notice – Heritage Designation of Armoury Building in Walkerton

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### Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2019-42 – Heritage Designation of Walkerton Armoury Building, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves Option \_\_\_\_\_

### Report:

#### Background:

On October 15, 2019, staff brought forward Report Number CLK2019-30 – Armoury Building Heritage Designation, providing Council with the Brockton Heritage Committee's request that Council consider designating the Walkerton Armoury Building (215 Jane Street) in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18* ("the Act").

The Act specified that a public notice outlining the Municipality's intention to pass a By-Law designating the Armoury Building as a designated heritage building ("the Notice") be published in the newspaper. Staff also advertised the Notice on the Municipality's website, social media, and in the November Brockton Buzz Newsletter. Both the Brockton Heritage Committee, and the tenant of the Armoury Building, G.R.O.W. rooted in love Maternity Home, were advised of the Notice, and were encourage to submit their comments.

Any objections to the designation of the Armoury Building were to be filed with Fiona Hamilton, Clerk prior to 4:30 p.m. on December 2, 2019. Objections were to be filed via email to [fhamilton@brockton.ca](mailto:fhamilton@brockton.ca), or by mail to Municipality of Brockton, 100 Scott Street, P.O. Box 68, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0, or in person at 100 Scott Street in Walkerton. Objections were to be submitted in writing and including the name and contact information for the person submitting the Objection. No objections were received prior to the deadline.

## **Analysis:**

According to s. 29(6) of the Act, there are now two options available to consider:

### **Option 1:**

Pass a by-law designating the Armoury Building a heritage building; or

### **Option 2:**

Withdraw the notice of intention to designate the Armoury Building, which would result in the Armoury Building remaining as is.

The recommended heritage features that would be protected are the exterior architecture (which the Municipality of Brockton is currently responsible for) and the preservation of the interior staircase (which the tenant of the building is currently prohibited from altering due to the terms of the Lease Agreement).

As noted in the previous report to Council, “repairs to the Walkerton Armoury Building may be slightly higher to preserve the heritage attributes, but these costs could be considered an investment in a key piece of Brockton’s history”.

## **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?     | N/A |
| • 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

There are no immediate impacts expected for the 2020 Municipal Budget.

## **Reviewed By:**



**Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer**

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## **Respectfully Submitted by:**



Fiona Hamilton, Clerk

**Reviewed By:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sonya Watson", written in dark ink.

**Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer**