

The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton - Council Meeting

Agenda Number: 14.0
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Title: Transition to Full Producer Responsibility
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Moved By: _____
Seconded By: _____

Whereas the amount of single-use plastics leaking into our lakes, rivers, waterways is a growing area of public concern;

Whereas reducing the waste we generate and reincorporating valuable resources from our waste stream into new goods can reduce GHGs significantly;

Whereas the transition to full producer responsibility for packaging, paper and paper products is a critical to reducing waste, improving recycling and driving better economic and environmental outcomes;

Whereas the move to a circular economy is a global movement, and that the transition of Blue Box programs would go a long way toward this outcome;

Whereas the Municipality of Brockton is supportive of a timely, seamless and successful transition of Blue Box programs to full financial and operational responsibility by producers of packaging, paper and paper products;

And Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested municipal governments with Blue Box programs to provide an indication of the best date to transition our Blue Box program to full producer responsibility;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Municipality of Brockton transition its Blue Box program to full producer responsibility by December 31, 2025.

And That this decision is based on the following rationale:

1. That the Municipality of Brockton is a small rural Municipality that is a cooperative member/shareholder (includes 7 lower tier municipalities within Bruce County) of an existing non-profit recycling/environmental organization known as Bruce Area Recycling.
2. The Municipality of Brockton is under a Service Agreement with Bruce Area Recycling for the collection, sorting, and recycling of many existing Blue and Grey Box materials.
3. A Member of Municipal Council is on the Board of Directors for Bruce Area Recycling, and
4. The future operations of Bruce Area Recycling is now uncertain given the discussion surrounding Full Producer Responsibility

And Further That any questions regarding this resolution can be directed to the Municipality of Brockton's Director of Operations;

And Further That the resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Carried

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Defeated

Tabled

Mayor - Chris Peabody