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Brockton Council Approves 2020 Tax Supported Municipal Operating and Capital Budget

Brockton, ON, February 20, 2020 – Brockton Council approved the Tax Supported Municipal Operating and Capital Budget on February 18, 2020 with a continued emphasis on roads, infrastructure, and recreation. The 2020 budget has a net levy of \$9,683,265 which represents a municipal tax rate increase of 3.95% for a blended tax rate increase of 2.43%. The overall impact on the average assessment is an increase of \$85.62 (on the blended tax rate), largely dedicated to maintenance of existing infrastructure.

Key investments in the 2020 capital budget include:

- \$1,395 million for Chepstow Bridge reconstruction (pending ICIP grant funding)
- \$1.7 million for Concession 10 Brant/Queen Street reconstruction
- \$1.7 million dedicated to East Ridge Business Park Infrastructure Expansion
- \$420,000 for Lobies Bridge Reconstruction
- \$510,400 dedicated to current and future roads equipment and facilities
- \$200,000 dedicated to a Recreation Reserve Fund to support maintenance and future planning in recreation
- \$523,000 Concession 8 Bridge repair
- \$550,000 for Concession 6 West road repair

The 2020 budget was developed with the intention of addressing current and future needs that will support the services desired by local residents and business and plan for infrastructure improvements in our growing community.

Chief Administrative Officer, Sonya Watson commented “Over the past two years, Brockton continues to experience an increase in residential growth and active business activity. Council and senior staff have analyzed infrastructure needs with a commitment to maintain current infrastructure and ensure plans are in place to accommodate residential and business development growth while maintaining a responsible tax increase.

Brockton Council and Staff are excited about the future of Brockton and supporting initiatives to ensure a safe, welcoming and affordable community with top-notch schools, childcare, health facilities and government services.

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