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## **Municipality of Brockton COVID-19 Update**

**Brockton, ON**, June 25, 2020 – The Municipality of Brockton continues to remain vigilant in our response to the COVID-19 pandemic as we enter Phase 2. Although the number of COVID-19 cases are low in Bruce and Grey Counties, residents are still encouraged to follow the advice of the Grey Bruce Health Unit, and Provincial Government and avoid large gatherings, touching their face, and continue to wash their hands frequently.

### **Event and Booking Cancellations Extended to July 17, 2020:**

The Municipality of Brockton has extended its decision to cancel bookings and events for all municipal facilities and properties through to **July 17, 2020**. Extending our cancellation period provides the community with clarity and the ability to adjust plans accordingly as a result of the Stage 2 Reopening plan. While we are proud of our community events and festivals, the safety and well-being of our residents, visitors and staff must remain our first priority.

### **Fireworks Prohibition:**

Residents are reminded that they are prohibited from discharging fireworks on municipal lands and are discouraged from discharging fireworks on private property as doing so often results in gatherings.

We encourage all Brockton residents to watch our Canada Day virtual fireworks experience using the [snapd HUB App](#). The App can be downloaded from [Google Play](#) or [Apple's App Store](#). Select Canada Day Event, follow the prompts and enjoy the show!

The virtual fireworks display will begin at 9:30 p.m. EST on July 1, 2020. Visit [Brockton.ca/CanadaDay](#) for all details about this year's virtual celebration on July 1, 2020!

### **Reminder: Waiver of Penalty and Interest Charges on Tax Bills Until June 30, 2020:**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Municipality of Brockton announced financial measures to help ease the economic impact to taxpayers for the March 31<sup>st</sup> and May 29<sup>th</sup> interim tax bills. The Municipality of Brockton has waived penalty and interest charges that were incurred on the unpaid balances from April to June 2020.

A reminder that **any outstanding balances will be charged penalty and interest starting July 1, 2020.**

A [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) Fact Sheet](#) was created to assist with any clarification, and is available on our website [Brockton.ca/COVID19](#).

### **Further Information:**

The Municipality of Brockton will continue to obtain information and updates from the County of Bruce, The Grey Bruce Health Unit, the Province of Ontario and other health agencies and will provide new information to residents when available. The Municipality of Brockton will continue to take all steps necessary to maintain essential services for our residents and local businesses. Please visit [Brockton.ca/COVID19](#) for updated information for residents and [Brockton.ca/BusinessRecovery](#) for updated information about businesses, or call the municipal office at 519-881-2223.