

For Immediate Release

Municipality of Brockton's Continued Response to COVID-19

Brockton, ON, March 24, 2020 – As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, we all need to do our part to slow the spread of the virus, and take precautions to not overwhelm our healthcare systems. As of March 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. the Municipality of Brockton declared a State of Emergency in response to COVID-19.

Waiving Penalty and Interest Charges on Tax Bill Installments:

The Municipality of Brockton's tax due date of March 31, 2020 still remains; however the Municipality has decided to waive the penalty and interest charges on the March 31, 2020 and May 29, 2020 tax bill installments until June 2020.

Property owners are encouraged to consider signing up for one of our convenient pre-authorized payment plans.

Payment of property taxes can be made in several different ways:

- **Pre-authorized Payment Plan:** Automatic withdrawals from your bank account on the 15th day of each month or automatic withdrawals from your bank account on the four installment due dates.
- **Telephone or Internet Banking:** Check with your financial institution for set-up, and allow up to 5 business days for processing. (Note: Use your property roll number for your account number and use all 19 digits. If only 15 digits are allowed, leave off the last four zeroes.)
- **Mail:** Allow up to 5 business days for processing.
- **Post-dated cheques** can be dropped off at the municipal office or mailed. Send in your tax stubs with your post-dated cheques to ensure payment is applied correctly. Cheque payments can be dropped in the night deposit box located in the front door of the municipal office.

Visit www.Brockton.ca/Payments for more information.

Brockton Business COVID-19 Survey:

We encourage all of Brockton's businesses to complete our [Business COVID-19 Survey](#) on our Community Engagement Website, www.BuildYourBrockton.ca to identify how the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting your business, and how our Economic Development Department can advocate on your behalf with all levels of government to help meet your needs and assist in business' recovery. All survey responses will be kept confidential.

Remote Council Meetings:

Staff are investigating requirements and equipment to be able to hold remote Council Meetings in order to continue remaining accountable and transparent to our community.

Further Updates:

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 www.Brockton.ca/COVID19 for updated information, or call the municipal office at 519-881-2223.