

# COMMUNITY PATROL BRANCH



# **COMMUNITY PATROL BRANCH OVERVIEW**

The Community Patrol Branch is responsible for providing highly effective front-line policing services to the community of Chatham-Kent. Members of the Branch are most often observed through deployment on foot patrols, bicycle and are also highly-visible in patrol vehicles equipped with cutting-edge technology.

#### Goal:

Provide adequate and effective policing services to the community of Chatham-Kent by responding to and
managing all calls for service, which includes proactive investigation, detection and crime reduction, with a
strict focus on putting the needs of our community first.

#### **Objectives:**

- Serve and protect the citizens of Chatham-Kent, while remaining committed to the Chatham-Kent Police Service's Mission, Vision and Core Values.
- Collaborate and work effectively within the branch; Community Mobilization Section, Patrol Support Section and the Critical Incident Response Team.
- Work together and utilize the services of our support units within the Chatham-Kent Police Service.
- Continue to participate and collaborate with all of our external agency partners.
- Proactively and positively navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, focusing on recovery.
- Professional development and succession planning, through education, training and mentorship.
- Encourage and support, physical and cognitive employee wellness.
- Explore the latest software advances for the Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) program.
- Assist with the implementation of state of the art technology, to enhance front-line policing.
- Explore enhanced shift briefing, to ensure clear and concise communication.
- Enhance operational framework within police headquarters.
- Ensure Community Patrol members are provided resources to assist with personal and professional wellness.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Implement shift briefing video link with key data and information, for community and officer safety.
- Enhance our ability to wrap employees with Wellness support programs, to ensure health and well-being.
- Utilize CCTV to assist in keeping our community safe, by reducing property crimes by 2%.
- Augment investigations with the latest technology to improve efficiencies, such as; Digital Evidence Management, Body-Worn Cameras and advances to the Mobile Data Terminal (MDT).
- Implement an asset and equipment managing and tracking system.
- Overall, tangible community support. Improvement based on Community survey and relevant, honest input from our Community partners and stakeholders.

#### **Budget Impact:**

· Within existing budget

#### Benchmark - 2020 Reference:

- 2% increase in proactive policing initiatives in the areas of property crime, illicit drugs, recidivist offenders.
- Increase number of cadets to augment cadet program.
- 2% increase in the number of Platoon level Traffic Education / Enforcement initiatives.



# **CRIME PREVENTION & COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION**

The Crime Prevention and Community Mobilization Unit was established to deal with lower priority and non-criminal calls for service through a holistic approach involving community partners in order to develop strategies that tackle root causes of social disorder. This section is comprised of a Mobilization Sergeant, two Mobilization Constables, One Youth Constable, the Mobile Help Crisis Team and three Special Constables. The unit will continue to liaise with the Community Safety and Well-being Steering Committee for the municipality as they work towards mitigating key strategic priorities in respect to Community Awareness, Integration, Mental Health, Substance Use as well as Housing and Homelessness.

#### Goal:

• To augment front line policing services by developing and building partnerships, which create a resilient and safe community in Chatham-Kent where residents are socially engaged and connected.

#### **Objectives:**

- Identify trends through crime and social-economic data.
- Enhance and collaborate with our community partners to ensure a strong web of networks
- Establish an Indigenous Liaison program.
- Implement a CCTV program in downtown Chatham core, and expansion to other areas in CK.
- Assist in identifying factors to circumvent victimization.
- FIRST strategy mitigate identified elevated-risk situations by working with community partners reducing the potential for risk turning into a crisis.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Continue to increase referrals to FIRST Strategy.
- Increase the number of registrants utilizing the Vulnerable Persons Registry.
- Continue prevention and education initiatives by the Special Constables.

#### **Budget Impact:**

• Within existing budget

#### **Benchmark - 2020 Reference:**

- 23 FIRST referrals were made in 2020 with CMS involved in 23 of them (100% involvement).
- 183 registrants on the Vulnerable Persons Registry 62% increase over the life span of the past Strategic Plan.
- Installation of CCTV camera system.
- 610 Presentations made in 2019 by the Crime Prevention and Community Safety Section.

#### **Accountability:**



# **HELP TEAM & MOBILE CRISIS TEAM**

The Chatham-Kent Police Service currently has 40 sworn members, 7 Special Constables, and 3 Emergency Communication Operators who have participated in the 32-hour HELP mental health awareness training. This training is developed and facilitated by the Mobile Crisis Team (M.C.T.) in cooperation with community partners.

The MCT was established in 2006 as a Pilot Project. It is a partnership formed between the Chatham-Kent Police Service and the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance (C.K.H.A.) teaming a plain-clothed HELP Team trained Constable with a C.K.H.A. Psychiatric Assessment Nurse in an unmarked police cruiser. It is a secondary response unit that provides support to front line members, builds and maintains relationships with community partners while developing and maintaining trust between the police and persons afflicted with mental health issues. The MCT primarily works the day shift from Monday to Friday responding to, or following up on, mental health -related calls for service.

#### Goal:

• The CKPS HELP Team is a responsible, sensitive community-based policing partnership with local mental health care professionals, consumer survivors, advocates and family networks. Our united goal is to facilitate & promote effective, compassionate care to members of our community and their families through a corporate referral network.

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance service to the community, and specifically person(s) in mental health crisis.
- Prevent unnecessary admissions to the Hospital and the Justice System.
- Reduce 911 calls and Emergency Department visits involving persons with a mental illness.
- Reduce tragic consequences of interactions between police and person(s) in mental health crisis.
- Reduce time spent by police on calls for service involving person(s) in mental health crisis.
- Increase the availability of the MCT by adding a second team.
- Training Course for new Help Team Members.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Steady increase of 8%-10% during the life cycle of the last Strategic Plan.
- 1467 Incidents by CKPS in 2020, an increase of 23% compared to 2019.
- Divert more clients to alternative community resources.
- Increase Community Service presentations to educate our community on mental health issues.

#### **Budget Impact:**

- · Within Existing Budget.
- Partnership with CKHA and the LHIN for MCT expansion.

#### **Benchmark - 2020 Reference:**

• 1467 Incidents by CKPS in 2020, an increase of 23% compared to 2019.

#### **Accountability:**



# **YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR**

Crimes involving our youth committed are dealt with according to principles and legislative requirements of the Youth Criminal Justice Act. The Act utilizes rehabilitation and extra-judicial measures, to prevent crime and address the circumstances which may have led to the offending behaviour.

#### Goals

• Utilize holistic strategies and a community-based multi-partner approach to encourage youth in making good, responsible decisions in order to avoid criminal activity.

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance our network of partnerships within the community to assist our youth to make right choices.
- Reduction of youth crime.
- Enhance strategies to divert youth from engaging in criminal activity and to avoid recidivist behaviour.
- Continuous review of our SPEAR (School / Police Emergency Action Response) protocol.
- Education and training for our members, local schools, and community partners in Threat Risk Assessment and preventative response to school violence.
- Increase school liaison activities, via increase presence & frequency of school visits.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Implementation of youth crime strategies.
- Reduce recidivism among youthful offenders.
- SPEAR database updates and training completed.
- Increase the number of youth diverted from court system.
- Increase the number of parent / teacher interviews.

#### **Budget Impact:**

· Within Existing Budget.

#### **Benchmark - 2020 Reference:**

- 271 Youth Involved Incidents
- 186 YCJA Diversions
- 149 Persons Charged

#### **Accountability:**



## PATROL SUPPORT SECTION - TRAFFIC & MARINE SAFETY

Patrol support section, will assist in making Chatham-Kent the safest community in Ontario by, focusing on road safety, water safety, and public event safety. Our role plays a significant part of public safety, and includes, a reactive component, but more importantly a proactive component. In order to limit the number of violations, aggressive and distracted driving incidents and impairment by alcohol and drugs, we must educate and support service wide efforts on the importance of road and water safety.

#### Goal:

• Enhance road and water safety, by utilizing state of the art technology, expert evidence and investigative techniques and proactive education and enforcement initiatives.

#### **Objectives:**

- Maintain our commitment to community events and public functions.
- Research state of the art technology and equipment to augment education and enforcement initiatives.
- Ensure all officers of the Patrol Support Section are trained in the latest techniques
- Educate all officers on the most recent Impaired Driving case law.
- Increase public awareness of R.I.D.E. programs and their value to road safety.
- Assess new and emerging bylaws that affect all road public road users and All-Terrain Vehicle.
- Assist in the expansion of the Dillon Road Facility.
- Collaborate with community partners on new and emerging trends associated to drug impaired driving.
- Provide an environment in which members of the Patrol Support Section are provided resources to assist with their personal and professional wellness.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Develop education and training programs on new and emerging drug impaired trends.
- Reduction in the number of call-outs for serious and fatal collisions.
- Increase education and enforcement initiatives on road and water safety throughout the Municipality.
- Research into the purchase of an Automated License Plate Reader.
- Research and re-submit proposal for purchase of new Marine Vessel.
- Work with the Municipality evaluating and support our Special Events Policy.
- Annual radar and impaired driving training.
- Maintain R.I.D.E. programs throughout the year, assisted by Platoon initiatives.
- Augment support for all branches with Police Dog Service and Unmanned Aerial Section to investigate and
  assist in the reduction of criminal and social disorder issues.

#### **Budget Impact:**

· Within Existing Budget and RIDE Grant funding

#### **Benchmark - 2020 Reference:**

- 96 special events reviewed and approved.
- 3,432 R.I.D.E. vehicles checked.
- 2,564 Provincial Offences Notices issued
- 21- Serious or fatal motor vehicle collisions investigated.



# **POLICE DOG SERVICES**

The Canine Unit operates on a 24/7 on call basis under the Patrol Support Branch of the Chatham-Kent Police Service. The Canine Unit consists of one handler and one dual-purpose trained dog, who is qualified to conduct numerous tasks, including tracking, numerous types of searches, apprehension and arrest of suspects and searches for drugs and firearms.

#### Goal:

• The Chatham-Kent Canine Unit remains dedicated to community safety and well-being initiatives augmenting front line policing in both proactive and reactive initiates.

#### **Objectives:**

- Augment all areas of the police service in the areas of; suspect tracking and apprehension, missing person, building, evidence, and drug and weapon searches.
- Education and training to all members on the use and benefits of the canine unit
- Education to our community on the use and benefits on the canine unit
- Enhance our partnerships across the province in the area of police canine.
- Research new and emerging case law, trends and equipment.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Implement new and emerging technologies that assist the K9 team's effectiveness with various nonenforcement calls for service such as missing persons and search and rescue.
- Enhanced learning/development and training of the PDS handler and his K9 to assist with enforcement of new legislative trends in our community.
- Continually monitor the number of hours worked to ensure the team is functioning at a high level of effectiveness.
- Yearly canine recertification.

### **Budget Impact:**

• Within Existing Budget

#### Benchmark - 2020 Reference:

- 157-calls for service
- 24-illicit drug and firearm searches

#### **Accountability:**



# **UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM**

Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) or Drone technology is an example of new and emerging technology that Law Enforcement has adopted for use to enhance the overall safety of their communities. In 2017, the Chatham-Kent Police Service purchased and began operational use of a UAS. The primary purpose of the UAS resource is to augment all areas of the police service by effectively and efficiently enhancing Police response through the use of technology and enhanced observational capabilities.

#### Goal:

The UAS will augment policing services in order to increase public safety via; suspect apprehension, search
and rescue, locate missing people, evidence analysis/collection, crime investigation, collision and crime
scene mapping and proactive policing initiatives.

#### **Objectives:**

- Continuous review and analysis of new and emerging technology.
- Increase the number of pilots to augment a rapid deployment strategy.
- Increase the current drone to a fleet of drones to assist in community safety and deployment.
- Enhance education and training for future pilots.
- Educate all sections of the police service on UAS technology.
- Enhance awareness internally and externally on the UAS capabilities.
- Risk management, ensure all policy and procedures are up to date for evidence collection and privacy laws.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Increase the number of operational flights.
- · Increase the number of qualified pilots.
- Cross train with other internal primary users.
- Implement educational awareness seminars for the community.
- Ensure all flights and pilots are logged through the use of Flight Management Software.
- Ensure all flights and pilots adhere to current and future Federal Regulations for UAS operators.

#### **Budget Impact:**

Within Existing Budget

#### Benchmark - 2020 Reference:

- 33 incidents where UAS was utilized
- 145 flights
- 32 hours of flight time

#### **Accountability:**



# **CIRT - CRITICAL INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAM**

The Chatham-Kent Police Critical Incident Response Team is a recognized containment team, highly-trained to respond to high-risk calls for service where weapons or violence are known or expected. The team is specialized to assist with high-risk incidents in order to resolve them in a peaceful manner, with the least amount of force possible. The team is deployed and utilized in a wide variety of situations, such as; barricaded or armed suspects, building and ground search, high-risk warrant entry, containment, and search and rescue.

#### Goal:

• To resolve any and all situations in a non-violent, peaceful manner to ensure public confidence and safety.

#### **Objectives:**

- Completion of new firearms range and storage facility. This will assist in travel time, range usage and training for our members as well as a cost recovery opportunity for external agencies.
- Research and development on the latest technology and equipment, such as; armoured rescue vehicle, tactical gear, and communications.
- Enhance education and training opportunity.
- Replace the current ARV with a newer model capable of transporting members as well as extracting members, citizens and victims in a safer and more secure armoured vehicle.
- Review and roll out, search and rescue training to ensure adequacy compliance.
- Upgrade current ballistic helmets and trauma plates, as per normal lifecycle.

#### **Performance Measures:**

- Firearms range and facility upgrades complete in 2021, assist in enhancing training.
- Purchase of a new armoured rescue vehicle (ARV)
- Replace hands-free communication headsets
- Implement search and rescue training courses as required.
- Replace ballistic helmets and trauma plates.

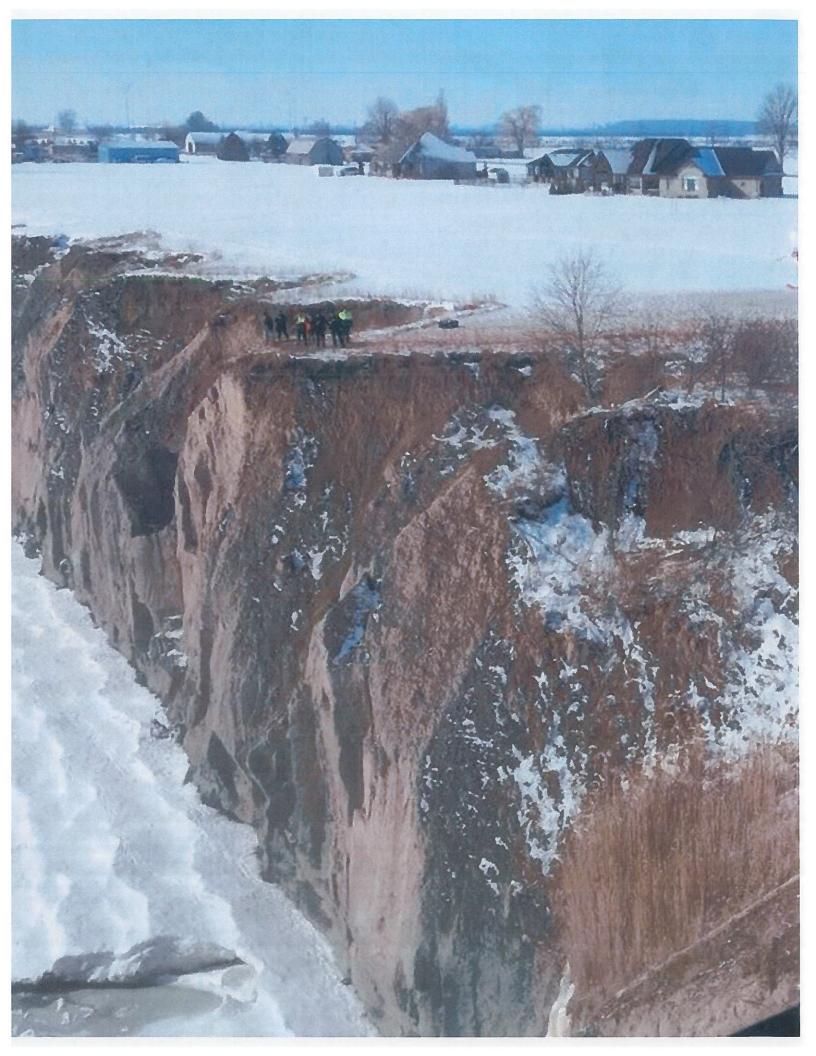
#### **Budget Impact:**

• Within Existing Budget

#### Benchmark - 2020 Reference:

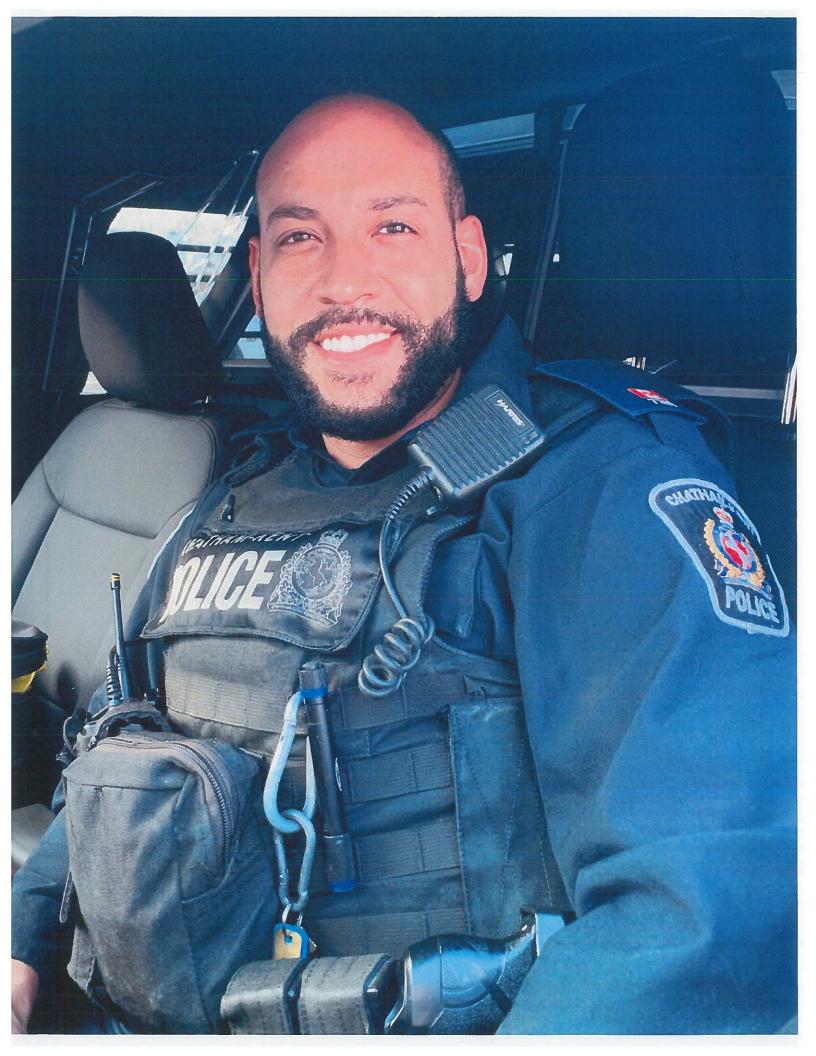
- 21 warrant entries
- 22 search and rescue incidents
- 107 calls for service related to a possible weapon
- 21 miscellaneous calls for service (Training, Presentations, Animal Complaints)

#### **Accountability:**











# CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS

24 Third Street Chatham, ON N7M 5K5

519-352-1234

#### **CENTRAL ZONE**

Deployed from Chatham HQ

Responding to Calls for Service in and around Chatham

#### **NORTH ZONE**

Deployed from Wallaceburg

Dresden • Thamesville • Bothwell • Mitchell's Bay • Pain Court • Tupperville

#### **SOUTH ZONE**

Deployed from Tilbury, Blenheim & Ridgetown

Wheatley • Merlin • Erieau • Shrewsbury • Morpeth • Highgate

# PARTNERS, SUPPORT, AND RESOURCES

#### PATROL SUPPORT

Traffic & Marine Safety Police Dog Services

Not Accessible to the Public 23186 Dillon Road

519-355-1092

#### **COLLISION REPORTING CENTRE**

Independently Operated by Accident Support Services International

Open Weekdays
In the Lobby of CKPS Headquarters

519-355-1937

#### **VICTIM SERVICES**

Volunteers Helping Victims of Crime & Tragic Circumstance

On-Call 24/7
Trained Teams in All Districts

519-436-6630



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May 12, 2021

Via email: amber.lapointe@portcolborne.ca

City of Port Colborne
Corporate Service Department
66 Charlotte Street
Port Colborne, ON L3K 3C8

Re: Support Resolution for Cannabis Licensing and Enforcement

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on May 10, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Moved by Councillor Latimer, Seconded by Councillor Faas

"That Chatham-Kent Council supports the resolution from the City of Port Colborne supporting the Township of Brock re: Cannabis Licensing and Enforcement"

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at <a href="mailto:judys@chatham-kent.ca">judys@chatham-kent.ca</a>

Sincerely,

Judy Smith Date: 2021.05.13 11:15:57

Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance
Clerk /Freedom of Information Coordinator

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Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health
Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health
Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Local MP and MPP
Chatham-Kent Police Services Board
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Ontario Municipalities



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March 2, 2021

The Honourable Patty Hajdu Minister of Health Canada Via email: Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca

Health Canada Ottawa, Ontario via email: hcinfo.infosc@canada.ca

Dear Honourable Madam:

Re: Cannabis Licencing and Enforcement

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Brock, at their meeting held on February 22, 2021 adopted the following resolution:

#### **Resolution Number 22-2**

MOVED by Michael Jubb and SECONDED by Cria Pettingill

WHEREAS the Government of Canada introduced Bill C-45 (the Cannabis Act) to create the foundation for a comprehensive national framework to provide restricted access to regulated cannabis, and to control its production, distribution, sale, importation, exportation, and possession;

WHEREAS the police have not been given lawful authority to lay charges under the Cannabis Act to appropriately respond to violations of Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

WHEREAS there is no direct communication or dedicated effort to provide a communication channel between Municipal government staff or Police Agencies for dealing with Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

WHEREAS the Township of Brock has not been consulted by Health Canada prior to the issuance of licenses for properties not in compliance with municipal zoning by-laws;the future;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Brock requests that Health Canada:

- Require Federal Licenses and Registrations for Designated Growers to conform with local zoning and control by-laws;
- 2. Ensure local authorities are provided with notification of any licence issuance, amendment, suspension, reinstatement or revocation within their region;

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact the Township at 705-432-2355.

- 3. Provide dedicated communication with local governments and Police services;
- 4. Provide lawful authority to Police agencies to lay charges when registered or licences operations grow in excess of their registration or licence through Health Canada; and,
- 5. Provide enforcement support and guidance to local municipalities for dealing with land use complaints relating to Cannabis.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Brock will forward this motion by email to the following partners: All municipalities in Ontario; the MP and MPP of Haliburton–Kawartha Lakes–Brock; the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food; and the Durham Region Police Services with the request that the Federal government enact legislation to better support local governments with land use management and enforcement issues as they relate to Cannabis Production and Processing.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

Becky Jamieson Municipal Clerk

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cc. The Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health, Ontario – christine.elliott@ontario.ca

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