

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Status of the Financial Audits of the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions for the Year Ended December 31, 2006

| Date: | May 31, 2007 |
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| To: | Audit Committee |
| From: | Jeff Griffiths, Auditor General |
| Wards: | All |
| Reference Number: | |

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Audit Committee and City Council with the status of financial audits of the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions for the year ended December 31, 2006.

The majority of audits of the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions have been completed and approved by their respective Boards. The three outstanding financial reports, Toronto Sinking Funds, Toronto Trust Funds and Toronto Economic Development Corporation, including management letters will be available for the next Audit Committee meeting on September 24, 2007.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Auditor General recommends that:

1. City Council receive the status report of the financial audits of the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions for the year ended December 31, 2006.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The recommendation in this report has no financial impact.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Protocol relating to financial statements and management letters for Agencies, Boards and Commissions requires that "the governing body of each entity, subsequent to approval and review, be required to submit to the City's Audit Committee, for information purposes, copies of audited financial statements and management letters. Management responses should be appended to each management letter". The Audit Committee also requested that financial statements and management letters be tabled at the Audit Committee at the same time.

Ernst & Young is the financial auditor of the City and its major local boards. The accounting firm of Grant Thornton is responsible for the financial audits of the City's Community Centres and Arenas, Heritage Toronto and the Yonge Dundas Square Board of Management.

This report provides City Council with the status of the financial audits for the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions for the year ended December 31, 2006.

COMMENTS

Details of the status of the various financial audits of Agencies, Boards and Commissions conducted by Ernst & Young are as follows:

| Name of Entity | Status |
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| Board of Directors of the Hummingbird Centre for | Completed – approved by the Board |
| the Performing Arts | |
| Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Board of Governors of Exhibition Place | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Canadian National Exhibition Association | Completed – approved by the Board |
| St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts | Completed – approved by the Board |
| The North York Performing Arts Centre | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Corporation | |
| Toronto Public Library Board | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Toronto Transit Commission | Completed – approved by the Commission |
| Toronto Coach Terminal Inc. | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Toronto Parking Authority | Completed – approved by the Board |
| Toronto Sinking Funds | Audit in progress |
| Toronto Trust Funds | Audit in progress |
| Toronto Economic Development Corporation | Audit in progress |
| Toronto Community Housing Corporation | Completed – approved by the Board |

Details on the status of the miscellaneous audits conducted by Grant Thornton (other than community centres and arenas) are as follows:

| Heritage Toronto | Completed – approved by the Board |
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| Yonge Dundas Square Board of Management | Completed – approved by the Board |

The 2006 financial statements of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which were audited by Browning, Milgram LLP were completed and approved by their Board.

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SIGNATURE

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