

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
RIVERSIDE  
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA**

**Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2008**

**RIVERSIDE  
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA**

**DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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## **AUDITOR'S REPORT**


### **To the Council of the Corporation of the City of Toronto and the Board of Management for the Riverside Business Improvement Area**

I have audited the statement of financial position of the Board of Management for the Riverside Business Improvement Area as at December 31, 2008 and the statements of revenue, expenditure and operating surplus and changes in financial position for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Board's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of the Board as at December 31, 2008 and the results of its operations and changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

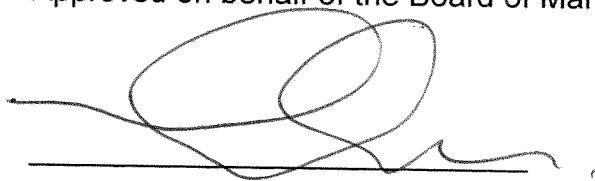
Toronto, Ontario  
March 27, 2009

  
Chartered Accountant  
Licensed Public Accountant

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
RIVERSIDE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash and short-term investments	88,470	59,227
Accounts receivable		
City of Toronto - special charges (Note 4)	14,262	8,439
Other	3,467	4,028
	<u>106,199</u>	<u>71,694</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		
City of Toronto	5,189	-
Other	2,334	1,050
	<u>7,523</u>	<u>1,050</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>		
Operating (Note 5)	<u>98,676</u>	<u>70,644</u>
	<u>106,199</u>	<u>71,694</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Management:



Chair



Treasurer

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
RIVERSIDE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND OPERATING SURPLUS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<b>2008 \$ Budget</b>	<b>2008 \$ Actual</b>	<b>2007 \$ Actual</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
City of Toronto – special charges	136,692	136,692	137,956
Grants	-	1,915	-
Interest	-	539	2,032
Contributions, sponsorships and other	1,750	4,761	-
	<u>138,442</u>	<u>143,907</u>	<u>139,988</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Administration	49,109	48,099	48,314
Promotion	30,700	26,227	22,833
Capital and maintenance (Note 3)	67,110	40,849	29,086
Provision for uncollected special charges (Note 4)	6,523	700	4,676
	<u>153,442</u>	<u>115,875</u>	<u>104,909</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR</b>	(15,000)	28,032	35,079
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>70,644</u>	<u>70,644</u>	<u>35,565</u>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS, END OF YEAR</b>	<u>55,644</u>	<u>98,676</u>	<u>70,644</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATIONS</b>		
Excess of revenue over expenditure for the year	28,032	35,079
Increase (decrease) resulting from changes in		
Accounts receivable - City of Toronto	(5,823)	(6,491)
Accounts receivable – Other	561	2,145
Accounts payable – City of Toronto	5,189	(61,669)
Accounts payable – Other	1,284	(498)
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATIONS</b>	29,243	(31,434)
<b>CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	59,227	90,661
<b>CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS, END OF YEAR</b>	88,470	59,227

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS**

The Riverside Business Improvement Area (BIA) is established as a Business Improvement Area under the management and control of a Board of Management appointed by Council of the City of Toronto.

The Board is entrusted with the improvements, beautification and maintenance of municipally owned lands, buildings and structures in the area, together with the promotion of the area as a business or shopping area. Funding is provided by property owners of the BIA who are levied a special charge based on an annual operating budget prepared by the Board and approved by Council under Section 220(17) of the Municipal Act, as amended.

**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These financial statements are the representation of management and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA), the most significant of which are as follows:

- (a) Revenues and expenditures are recorded using the accrual basis of accounting.
- (b) Capital expenditures are charged to operations in the year of acquisition.
- (c) Services provided without charge by the City of Toronto and others are not recorded in these financial statements.

**3. CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE**

In order to finance major capital expenses, the BIA annually budgets certain amounts and accumulates them as surplus. Once adequate funds have accumulated, the BIA undertakes cost-shared capital improvement projects with the City. For this reason the actual expenses in a given year could significantly differ from the amount budgeted for the year. The excess actual expenses are financed out of accumulated surplus.

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**4. CITY OF TORONTO – SPECIAL CHARGES**

Special charges levied by the City are collected and remitted to the Board by the City. The total special charges outstanding consist of amounts collected by the City not yet remitted to the Board and amounts uncollected by the City.

The Board records special charges receivable net of an allowance for uncollected amounts. The special charges receivable from the City of Toronto are comprised of:

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Total special charges outstanding	21,662	15,139
Less: allowance for uncollected special charges	(7,400)	(6,700)
Special charges receivable	<u>14,262</u>	<u>8,439</u>

The provision for uncollected levies reported on the Statement of Revenue, Expenditure and Operating Surplus comprises:

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Special charges written-off	-	376
Change in allowance for uncollected special charges	700	4,300
	<u>700</u>	<u>4,676</u>



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**5. COMMITMENTS**

The board, in co-operation with the City, has implemented cost-shared capital improvement projects on publicly owned property for several years. The projects are long-term in nature and are usually completed subsequent to the year of Council's approval. The Board is committed to capital improvement projects of which the Board's share of \$5,200 (2007 – \$nil) was outstanding as at December 31, 2008.

**6. INSURANCE**

The Board is required to deposit with the City Treasurer, City of Toronto, insurance policies indemnifying the City against public liability and property damage in respect of the activities of the Board. Insurance coverage providing \$5,000,000 for each occurrence or accident has been obtained by the Board, through the City of Toronto.