# OFFICE OF THE LOBBYIST REGISTAR

2010 Operating Budget Budget Committee Presentation

> March 3, 2010 City Hall, Committee Room 1



#### **Legislative Background**

- ➤ The City of Toronto Act, 2006 (COTA)
- Chapter 3 of the Toronto Municipal Code
- Chapter 140 of the Toronto Municipal Code (the Lobbying By-law)





#### **Office of the Lobbyist Registrar**

The Office of the Lobbyist Registrar (OLR) promotes the transparency and integrity of City government by:

- Maintaining an online public registry of lobbyists; and
- Ensuring compliance with the registry system and Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.





## **2010 Budget Highlights**

- Reduction of 3.8% or \$35.4k from 2009 Approved Budget
- Absorbed base pressures through:
  - One-time reduction in staff costs by delaying hiring
  - Reduction in non-payroll budget





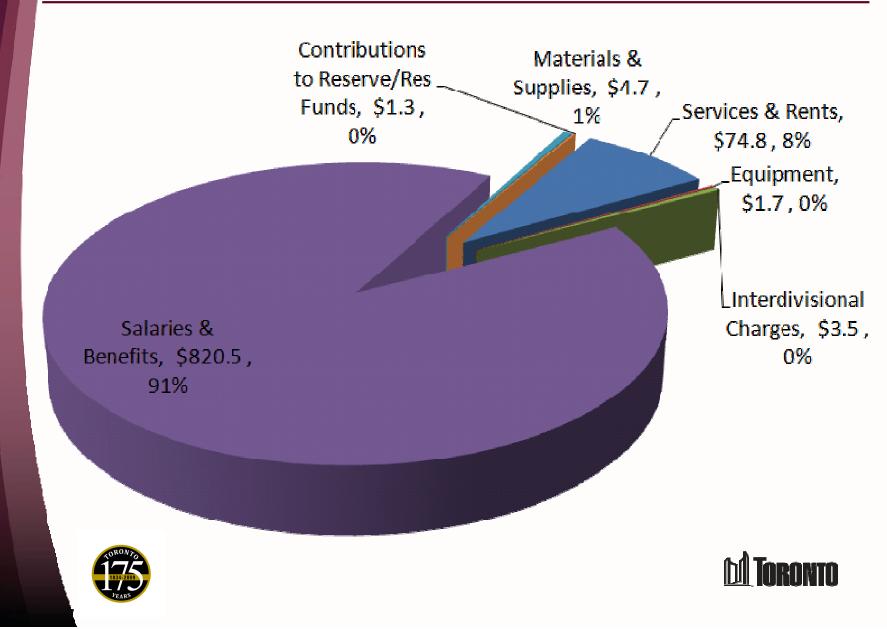
## **2010 Operating Budget Request**

		2010 Recommended Operating Budget			2010 Budget Submission vs.	
	2009 Approved Budget	2010 Base Budget Request	2010 Reductions	2010 Budget Submission	2009 Approved Budget	
( <b>In \$000s</b> )	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Gross Expenditure	941.9	1,109.4	(202.9)	906.5	(35.4)	(3.8)
Revenue	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	NA
Net Expenditure	941.9	1,109.4	(202.9)	906.5	(35.4)	(3.8)





## 2010 Gross Expenditure By Category – Budget Request (\$000s)



## **Budget Reduction (\$000s)**

	GROSS	NET	POSITION
2010 BASE BUDGET	1,109.4	1,109.4	8.3
Budget Reduction:			
Reduction in Non-Salary Budget	(53.2)	(53.2)	
One-Time Gapping of Lobbyist Compliance Investigator and partial gapping of Clerical Support position (6 months)	(149.6)	(149.6)	
Total Budget Reduction	(202.9)	(202.9)	0.0
2010 TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST	906.5	906.5	8.3





# Challenges in 2010

- Phase 3 of the Lobbyist Registry IT project must be completed by June 30, 2010.
- Upcoming municipal elections may increase demand for registrations, advice and investigations, protocols and interpretation bulletins.
- Hiring of inquiries and investigations staff; developing and implementing best practices, procedures and protocols for inquiries and investigations.
- The Accountability Officers working together must continue to develop protocols implementing Chapter 3.





