# LIBERTY VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Council of the City of Toronto and the Board of Management for the Liberty Village Business Improvement Area:

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Liberty Village Business Improvement Area, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2018, and the statements of operations and accumulated surplus, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Liberty Village Business Improvement Area as at December 31, 2018, and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for local governments as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB).

## **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of Liberty Village Business Improvement Area in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for local governments as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB), and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing Liberty Village Business Improvement Area's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate Liberty Village Business Improvement Area or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing Liberty Village Business Improvement Area's financial reporting process.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Liberty Village Business Improvement Area (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Liberty Village Business Improvement Area's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Liberty Village Business Improvement Area's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause Liberty Village Business Improvement Area to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

TORONTO, Ontario May 23, 2019 Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Foley. Brodorde LLP

## Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2018

	2018		2017	
Financial Assets				
Cash - Note 3	S	329,526	\$	259,431
Short-term investments - Note 4		30,531	-	30,531
Accounts receivable		•		,
City of Toronto - Special charges - Note 5		40,104		29,468
Other - Note 6		17,667		3,483
HST recoverable		3,225		37,355
	S	421,053	S	360,268
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities - Note 7	S	9,292	S	16,710
Deferred revenue		5,085		-
		14,377		16,710
Net Financial Assets		406,676		343,558
Non-Financial Assets				
Tangible capital assets - Note 8		12,987		5,622
Accumulated Surplus	s	419,663	S	349,180

Approved on behalf of the Board of Management:

| Sulum Olly | Director |
| William Olly | Director |

# LIBERTY VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus For the Year ended December 31, 2018

		2018 Budget Note 18)		2018 Actual	×	2017 Actual
Revenue	_	222.22.	_	222.024	•	200 565
City of Toronto - special charges - Note 9	\$	332,024	S	332,024	S	308,565
TTC VIP Metropass program - Note 10		1,500,000		1,215,680		1,422,953
Grants, sponsorships and other - Note 11		70,000		80,297		93,316
		1,902,024		1,628,001		1,824,834
Expenditures						
Administration - Note 12		187,470		189,586		196,301
Amortization		-		2,749		4,426
Capital - Note 15		85,000		-		-
Design, improvements and maintenance - Note 13		49,000		26,344		27,440
Promotion, marketing and advertising - Note 14		141,000		122,740		145,229
Provision for (recovery of) uncollectable levies - Note 5		30,184		(1,090)		13,816
TTC VIP Metropasses - Note 10		1,500,000		1,217,189		1,427,834
		1,992,654		1,557,518		1,815,046
Surplus (deficit) for year	\$	(90,630)	S	70,483	\$	9,788
Accumulated surplus at beginning of year		349,180		349,180		339,392
Accumulated surplus at end of year		258,550		419,663		349,180

# Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets

For the Year ended December 31, 2018

		2018	2017
Balance at beginning of year	S	343,558 S	334,893
Surplus for the year		70,483	9,788
Acquisition of tangible capital assets		(10,114)	(5,549)
Amortization of tangible assets		2,749	4,426
Balance at end of year	s	406,676 S	343,558

# **Statement of Cash Flows**

# For the Year ended December 31, 2018

		2018	2017
Cash provided from (reduced by):			
Operating activities			
Surplus for the year	S	70,483	\$ 9,788
Items which do not involve cash:			
Amortization		2,749	 4,426
		73,232	14,214
Changes in non-cash working capital:			
Accounts receivable - City of Toronto		(10,636)	21,214
Accounts receivable - other		(14,184)	3,755
HST recoverable		34,130	(15,133)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(7,418)	4,224
Deferred revenue		5,085	 -
		6,977	14,060
		80,209	28,274
Investing activity			
Purchase of tangible capital assets		(10,114)	(5,549)
Increase in cash during year		70,095	22,725
Cash at beginning of year		259,431	236,706
Cash at end of year	s	329,526	\$ 259,431

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### For the Year ended December 31, 2018

## 1. Establishment and Operations

The Liberty Village Business Improvement Area ("BIA") is established as a Business Improvement Area under the management and control of a Board of Management ("Board") 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. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

## **Revenue Recognition**

The BIA receives special charges from its members which are levied and collected by the City of Toronto. It also receives cash donations and sponsorships from corporate and private donors and grants from local, provincial and federal governments for events and festivals. Revenue is being recorded upon the signing of contracts and when collection can be reasonably ascertained.

#### Short-term Investments

Short term investments are highly liquid financial instruments with original maturities greater than three months but less than one year and are classified as "short-term" investments. BIA classifies short-term investments as current assets and reports them at their fair market value.

#### Capital Assets

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Amortization is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Benches - 5 years
Computers - 3 years
Dufferin / Liberty Gateway - 5 years

#### **Contributed Services**

Services provided without charge by the City of Toronto and others are not recorded in these financial statements.

#### **Financial Instruments**

Financial instruments are recorded at the approximate fair value.

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#### Notes to Financial Statements

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## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of these financial statements in accordance with PSAB requries management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include determining the useful lives of tangible capital assets for amortization, the allowance for uncollectible levies and accounts receivable and contingent liabilities. Actual results could differ from management's best estimates, as additional information becomes available in the future.

#### 3. Cash

#### Cash consists of:

	2018		2017	
BMO - Operating account CIBC - Operating account Funds in transit	S	108,068 220,763 695	S	101,916 83,876 73,639
	S	329,526	\$	259,431

#### 4. Short-Term Investments

Short-term investments consist of cashable guaranteed investment certificates. These investments bear interest at the rate of 0.6% per annum and will be maturing in 2019.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

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## 5. City of Toronto - Special Charges

Special charges levied by the City of Toronto ("the City") are collected and remitted to the BIA by the City. The total special charges outstanding consist of amounts collected by the City not yet remitted to the BIA and amounts uncollected by the City.

The BIA records special charges receivable net of an allowance for uncollected amounts. The special charges payable by the City are comprised of:

		2018		2017
Total special charges outstanding Less: allowance for uncollected special charges	s	66,104 (26,000)	S	61,06 (31,60
	s	40,104	\$	29,46
The provision for (recover of) uncollected levies comprises of:				
Special charges written-off Change in allowance for uncollected special charges	S	4,510 (5,600)	\$	7,0 6,8

## 6. Accounts Receivable - Other

Accounts receivable - other consists of:

		2018		2017
Sponsorship	S	10,789	S	2,849
TTC Metropass VIP Program		6,878		634
	S	17,667	S	3,483

## 7. Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilties consist of:

		2018		2017
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	S	3,823 5,469	S	3,430 11,867
Source deductions payable		5,409		1,413
	s	9,292	S	16,710

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# 8. Tangible Capital Assets

		Cost		cumulated nortization		2018 Net book value	 2017 Net book value
Benches	\$	40,203	S	27,216	S	12,987	\$ 4,994
Computers		5,550		5,550			628
	s	45,753	\$	32,766	s	12,987	\$ 5,622

#### 9. City of Toronto - Special Charges

Special charges revenue consists of:

		2018		2017
Special charges received Special charges receivable (reduction in receivable)	S	322,100 9,924	\$	315,620 (7,055)
	s	332,024	S	308,565

## 10. TTC VIP Metropass Program

The TTC VIP Metropass program was introduced by the BIA to provide monthly TTC metropasses to employees of the members of the Liberty Village BIA in order to:

- Attract new employees;
- Retain existing employees; and
- Promote the Liberty Village BIA as a green BIA

This program was introduced in 2011 and has grown significantly. In 2011, the BIA was selling approximately 173 passes monthly. In 2018, it was selling approximately 800 to 900 passes monthly.

The Toronto Transit Commission requires all employers to provide TTC metropasses at the same cost as was paid to the TTC. For this reason, the expenses were higher than the revenue collected due to bank charges amounting to \$1,509 (2017 - \$4,881). The other associated cost incurred by the BIA to administer the program, such as employee salaries and benefits, office supplies, and other overhead costs are included in administration expenses.

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# 11. Grants, Sponsorship and Other Revenue

Grants, sponsorship and other revenue consist of:

		2018	2017
Donations and sponsorship	\$	44,415	\$ 40,000
Event revenue		24,335	36,253
Other		3,616	2,687
Retail/Restaurant		7,931	14,376
	S	80,297	\$ 93,316

## 12. Administration

Administration expenses consist of:

<u> </u>	2018			2017	
Accounting	S	9,017	\$	8,406	
Audit fees		5,528		2,239	
Bank charges		1,829		1,344	
Conferences and seminars		199		668	
Insurance		4,145		4,127	
Meeting expenses (non-AGM)		2,130		5,657	
Memberships and associations		8,053		5,000	
Office		10,524		9,463	
Rent		11,465		14,992	
Salaries and benefits		136,260		142,383	
Travel		436		496	
Consultants		-		1,526	
	S	189,586	S	196,301	

## 13. Design, Improvements and Maintenance

Design, improvements and maintenance expense consist of:

	2018			2017	
Flowers and floral care Hydro Repairs and maintenance	\$	18,251 528 7,565	S	10,355 1,853	
Repairs and maintenance	s	26,344	s	15.232 27,440	

**Notes to Financial Statements** 

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## 14. Promotion, Marketing and Advertising

Promotion, marketing and advertising expense consist of:

	2018		2017	
Advertising	S	15,825	\$	10,029
Festival - Give Me Liberty		56,371		66,554
Meeting expenses (AGM)		3,244		151
Other		18,496		42,363
Other event expenses		27,015		20,746
Website		1,789		1,705
Market research		-		3.681
	 \$	122,740	\$	145,229

#### 15. Capital Expenses

In order to finance major capital expenditures, the BIA annually budgets certain amounts and accumulates these amounts as operating 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. Any excess actual capital expenditures are financed out of the accumulated surplus.

#### 16. Insurance

The Board is required to deposit with the 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 occurance or accident has been obtained by the Board through the City. In addition, the BIA has insurance for director liability, office equipment and insurance coverage for theft of cash and TTC metropasses which could occur due to break-in.

#### 17. Financial Instruments

The carrying value of the BIA's financial instruments approximate their fair values. The BIA is subject to an interest rate risk with respect to its investments; however, it is managment's opinion that the BIA is not exposed to significant interst risk due to their short-term maturities.

## 18. Budget

Budget figures are provided for comparative purposes only and have not been subject to audit procedures.

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#### 19. 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 the Council of the City of Toronto's approval. The Board is committed to capital improvement projects of which the Board's share of \$39,104 (2017 - \$15,800) was outstanding as at December 31, 2018.