

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
CORSO ITALIA  
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA**

**Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016**

# **CORSO ITALIA BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA**

**DECEMBER 31, 2016**

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Corso Italia Business Improvement Area, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2016 and the statement of operations and accumulated surplus, statement of changes in net financial assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes which comprises a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### **Management's responsibility for the financial statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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 comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of the Corso Italia Business Improvement Area as at December 31, 2016 and the results of its operations and 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).

Toronto, Ontario  
May 23, 2017

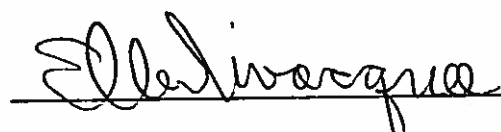
  
Chartered Professional Accountant  
Licensed Public Accountant

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Cash	84,207	160,819
Short-term investment (Note 3)	50,089	54,184
Accounts receivable		
City of Toronto – special charges (Note 4)	23,303	16,120
Other	41,742	21,780
	<u>199,341</u>	<u>252,903</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		
City of Toronto	16,363	34,998
Other	9,813	13,716
	<u>26,176</u>	<u>48,714</u>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>173,165</b>	<b>204,189</b>
<b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Tangible Capital Assets (Note 5)	38,939	30,924
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>	<u><b>212,104</b></u>	<u><b>235,113</b></u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Management:

  
Chair

  
Treasurer

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	<b>2016 \$ Budget (Note 9)</b>	<b>2016 \$ Actual</b>	<b>2015 \$ Actual</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
City of Toronto – special levies	221,164	221,591	201,668
Grants, Interest and Other	2,500	3,146	5,515
	<u>223,664</u>	<u>224,737</u>	<u>207,183</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Administration	60,267	54,512	57,220
Promotion and advertising	127,100	104,979	116,672
Maintenance	79,100	75,481	69,863
Capital (Note 8)	20,000	-	-
Amortization	-	12,332	7,731
Provision for uncollected levies (Note 4)	7,197	442	3,768
	<u>293,664</u>	<u>247,746</u>	<u>255,254</u>
<b>(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(70,000)</b>	<b>(23,009)</b>	<b>(48,071)</b>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>235,113</u>	<u>235,113</u>	<u>283,184</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR</b>	<u>165,113</u>	<u>212,104</u>	<u>235,113</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

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	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
(Deficit) for the year	(23,009)	(48,071)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(20,347)	(38,655)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	12,332	7,731
	(31,024)	(78,995)
Balance - Beginning of year	204,189	283,184
Balance - End of year	<u>173,165</u>	<u>204,189</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Deficit for the year	(23,009)	(48,071)
<b>Non-cash changes to operations</b>		
Add: Non-cash item Amortization of capital assets	12,332	7,731
Increase (decrease) resulting from changes in		
Accounts receivable - City of Toronto	(7,183)	3,470
Accounts receivable – other	(19,962)	(3,113)
Accounts payable - City of Toronto	(18,635)	34,998
Accounts payable – other	(3,903)	(314)
<b>Cash Used In Operations</b>	(60,360)	(5,299)
<b>Investing Activities</b>		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	(20,347)	(38,655)
(Increase) decrease in short-term investment	4,095	149,971
<b>Cash, Beginning Of Year</b>	160,819	54,802
<b>Cash, End Of Year</b>	84,207	160,819

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

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**1. ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS**

The Corso Italia 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 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:

Street & Christmas lights	5 years	Banners	3 years
Planters	5 years	Pole Wraps	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 approximated fair value.



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**SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**

**Use of estimates:**

The preparation of these financial statements in accordance with PSAB requires 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. SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT**

Short-term investment consists of a cashable guaranteed investment certificate with the IC Savings Bank. This investment bears interest at the rate of 0.90% per annum and will be maturing in 2017.

**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:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Total special charges outstanding	27,303	22,720
Less: allowance for uncollected special charges	(4,000)	(6,600)
Special charges receivable	<u>23,303</u>	<u>16,120</u>

The provision for uncollected levies reported on the Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus comprises:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Special charges written-off	3,042	3,468
Change in allowance for uncollected special charges	(2,600)	300
	<u>442</u>	<u>3,768</u>

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5. CAPITAL ASSETS

	2016				
	Lights	Banners	Pole Wraps	Planters	Total
<b>Cost</b>					
Beginning	3,660	-	-	34,995	38,655
Additions	-	3,987	16,360	-	20,347
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Ending</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>3,987</b>	<b>16,360</b>	<b>34,995</b>	<b>59,002</b>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>					
Beginning	732	-	-	6,999	7,731
Amortization	732	1,329	3,272	6,999	12,332
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Ending</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,329</b>	<b>3,272</b>	<b>13,998</b>	<b>20,063</b>
<b>Net Book Value</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>2,658</b>	<b>13,088</b>	<b>20,997</b>	<b>38,939</b>

	2015				
	Lights	Banners	Pole Wraps	Planters	Total
<b>Cost</b>					
Beginning	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	3,660	-	-	34,995	38,655
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Ending</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,995</b>	<b>38,655</b>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>					
Beginning	-	-	-	-	-
Amortization	732	-	-	6,999	7,731
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Ending</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,999</b>	<b>7,731</b>
<b>Net Book Value</b>	<b>2,928</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,996</b>	<b>30,924</b>

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**6. 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 occurrence or accident has been obtained by the Board, through the City of Toronto.

**7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The financial instruments recognized in the statement of financial position consist of cash and short-term investments, accounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying amounts due to the short-term maturity of these instruments.

**8. CAPITAL EXPENSES**

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. Any excess actual capital expenses are financed out of the accumulated surplus.

**9. BUDGET**

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

