

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE
YONGE-LAWRENCE VILLAGE
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA**

**Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

YONGE-LAWRENCE VILLAGE
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA

DECEMBER 31, 2023

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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 Yonge-Lawrence Village Business Improvement Area

Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of Yonge-Lawrence Village Business Improvement Area (BIA), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, 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 notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the BIA as at December 31, 2023 and its financial performance 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

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian auditing standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the BIA in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Canada, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my 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 the BIA's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the BIA or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the BIA's financial reporting process.

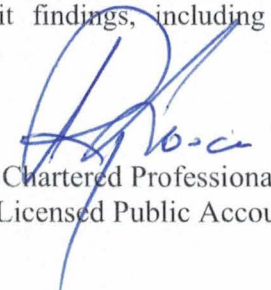
Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My 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 my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian 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 auditing standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I 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 my 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 the BIA'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 the BIA's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the BIA 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.

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


Toronto, Ontario
April 25, 2024


Chartered Professional Accountant
Licensed Public Accountant

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash	90,397	66,199
Short-term investment (Note 3)	55,104	53,778
Accounts receivable		
City of Toronto - Levy (Note 4)	17,054	28,675
Other	9,286	21,774
	<u>171,841</u>	<u>170,426</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		
City of Toronto	-	3,081
Other	17,446	3,100
	<u>17,446</u>	<u>6,181</u>
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	154,395	164,245
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible Capital Assets (Note 5)	<u>12,164</u>	<u>11,776</u>
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	<u>166,559</u>	<u>176,021</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, 2023**

	2023 \$ Budget (Note 9)	2023 \$ Actual	2022 \$ Actual
REVENUE			
Levy	240,955	240,982	209,968
Interest, Festival and sponsorship	14,200	5,187	13,454
	<u>255,155</u>	<u>246,169</u>	<u>223,422</u>
EXPENSES			
Administration	87,636	89,001	92,811
Promotion, advertising & Yonge-Lawrence Village	89,261	85,210	53,627
Maintenance	80,147	59,579	61,520
Capital (Note 8)	7,059	7,406	3,639
Amortization	-	9,642	15,066
Provision for uncollected levy (Note 4)	(6,948)	4,793	(2,572)
	<u>257,155</u>	<u>255,631</u>	<u>224,091</u>
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	(2,000)	(9,462)	(669)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>176,021</u>	<u>176,021</u>	<u>176,690</u>
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	<u>174,021</u>	<u>166,559</u>	<u>176,021</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(9,462)	(669)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(10,030)	(12,861)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	9,642	15,066
	(9,850)	1,536
Balance - Beginning of year	164,245	162,709
Balance - End of year	<u>154,395</u>	<u>164,245</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(9,462)	(669)
Non-cash changes to operations		
Add: Non-cash item Amortization of capital assets	9,642	15,066
Increase (decrease) resulting from changes in		
Accounts receivable - City of Toronto	11,621	(1,955)
Accounts receivable – other	12,488	(9,624)
Accounts payable - City of Toronto	(3,081)	3,081
Accounts payable – other	14,346	(7,287)
Cash Provided By (Used In) Operations	35,554	(1,388)
Investing activities		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	(10,030)	(12,861)
(Increase) decrease in short-term investment	(1,326)	(454)
Cash, Beginning of Year	66,199	80,902
Cash, End of Year	90,397	66,199

**THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

1. ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS

The Yonge-Lawrence Village 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 levy from property owners of the BIA 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 levy from its members which is 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 Signs	5 years	Benches	5 years
Planters	5 years	Banners	3 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 TD Canada Trust. This investment bears interest at the rate of 3% per annum and will be maturing in 2024.

4. CITY OF TORONTO – LEVY

The City collects levy from BIA members and remits the amount collected to the Board. The total levy outstanding consists of amounts collected by the City but not yet remitted to the Board and amounts uncollected by the City.

The Board records levy receivable net of an allowance for uncollected amounts. The levy receivable from the City of Toronto is comprised of:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Total levy outstanding	17,154	30,175
Less: Allowance for uncollected levy	<u>(100)</u>	<u>(1,500)</u>
Levy receivable	<u>17,054</u>	<u>28,675</u>

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

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Levy written-off	6,193	3,228
Change in allowance for uncollected levy	<u>(1,400)</u>	<u>(5,800)</u>
	<u>(4,793)</u>	<u>(2,572)</u>

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5. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

	2023			
	Banners	Benches	Planters	Total
Cost				
Beginning	37,996	33,956	9,070	81,022
Additions	10,030	-	-	10,030
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Ending	48,026	33,956	9,070	91,052
Accumulated Amortization				
Beginning	34,127	31,491	3,628	69,246
Amortization	7,212	616	1,814	9,642
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Ending	41,339	32,107	5,442	78,888
Net Book Value	6,687	1,849	3,628	12,164
	2022			
	Banners	Benches	Planters	Total
Cost				
Beginning	28,216	30,875	9,070	68,161
Additions	9,780	3,081	-	12,861
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Ending	37,996	33,956	9,070	81,022
Accumulated Amortization				
Beginning	21,491	30,875	1,814	54,180
Amortization	12,636	616	1,814	15,066
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Ending	34,127	31,491	3,628	69,246
Net Book Value	3,869	2,465	5,442	11,776

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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 carrying value of the BIA's financial instruments approximates their values. The BIA is subject to an interest rate risk with respect to its investments; however, as these instruments are short-term investments the risk is minimal.

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.