**Financial Statements** 

The Glebe Business Improvement Area

**December 31, 2020** 

## Independent auditor's report

To the Board Members, Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of **The Glebe Business Improvement Area** 

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **The Glebe Business Improvement Area** [the "BIA"], which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statement of operations, 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.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the BIA as at December 31, 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### 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 the BIA in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our 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 public sector accounting standards, 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

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 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 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 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.

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.

Ottawa, Canada July 26, 2021

Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Ernst & young LLP

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

Table 1 - Statement of Financial Position - Financial Assets

Financial assets	2020	2019
Cash	\$500	\$500
Cash on deposit with the Corporation of the City of		
Ottawa	368,843	302,389
Accounts receivable	-	250
Total financial assets	369,343	303,139

Table 2 - Statement of Financial Position - Liabilities

Liabilities	2020	2019
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities [note 2]	68,331	34,038
Deferred revenue	-	5,000
Total liabilities	68,331	39,038
Net financial assets	301,012	264,101

Table 3 - Statement of Financial Position - Non-Financial Assets and Accumulated Surplus

Non-financial assets	2020	2019
Prepaid expenses	4,926	1,882
Tangible capital assets [note 4]	66,644	22,084
Total non-financial assets	71,570	23,966
Accumulated surplus	\$372,582	\$288,067

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

Table 4 - Statement of Operations - Revenue

	Budget	Actual	Actual
Revenue	2020	2020	2019
Tax revenue [note 3]	\$645,000	\$670,724	\$662,196
Sundry	30,000	83,088	61,030
Payments in lieu of taxation	15,000	17,712	12,055
Total revenue	690,000	771,524	735,283

Table 5 - Statement of Operations - Expenses

	Budget	Actual	Actual
Expenses	2020	2020	2019
Salaries	257,600	249,708	269,837
Advertising and promotion	236,500	253,115	270,468
Maintenance	71,500	71,387	70,281
Office	68,600	37,389	74,616
Rent	30,500	31,964	28,711
Professional and consulting	16,500	32,207	32,296
Insurance	7,300	5,054	6,082
Audit fees	1,500	2,393	2,386
Depreciation	-	3,792	3,397
Total expenses	690,000	687,009	758,074
Annual surplus (deficit)	-	84,515	(22,791)
Accumulated surplus, beginning of			
year	288,067	288,067	310,858
Accumulated surplus, end of year	\$288,067	\$372,582	\$288,067

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS

For the year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

Table 6 - Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets

	Budget 2020	Actual 2020	Actual 2019
Annual surplus (deficit)	-	\$84,515	\$(22,791)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	-	(48,352)	-
Increase (decrease) in prepaid			
expenses	-	(3,044)	1,360
Depreciation of tangible capital assets	-	3,792	3,397
Increase (decrease) in net financial assets	-	36,911	(18,034)
Net financial assets, beginning of year	264,101	264,101	282,135
Net financial assets, end of year	\$264,101	\$301,012	\$264,101

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

Table 7 - Statement of Cash Flows - Operating Activities

Operating activities	2020	2019
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$84,515	\$(22,791)
Add item not affecting cash		
Depreciation	3,792	3,397
Changes in non-cash working capital balances related		
to operations	050	(050)
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	250	(250)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(3,044)	1,360
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and	0.4.000	(0.474)
accrued liabilities	34,293	(8,174)
Decrease in deferred revenue	(5,000)	<del>_</del>
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	114,806	(26,458)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(48,352)	-
Capital activities  Acquisition of tangible capital assets	2020 (48,352)	2019
Cash used in capital activities	(48,352)	-
Table 9 - Statement of Cash Flows - Change in Cash and C	ash Equivalents	
Change in cash and cash equivalents	2020	2019
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		
during the year	66,454	(26,458)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	302,889	329,347
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$369,343	\$302,889
Table 10 - Statement of Cash Flows - Cash Breakdown		
Cash and cash equivalents consist of	2020	2019
Cash	\$500	\$500
Cash on deposit with the Corporation of the City of		
Ottawa	368,843	302,389

\$302,889

\$369,343

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## **Basis of presentation**

The financial statements of The Glebe Business Improvement Area [the "BIA"] are the responsibility of management prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted for the public sector as prescribed by the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Board of Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. Since a precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of periodic financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and approximations. These estimates and approximations have been made using careful judgment.

## **Accrual accounting**

Revenue and expenses are reported on the accrual basis of accounting.

The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenue as it becomes earned and measurable; expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services. Glebe Spree revenue and related expenses are recognized in the fiscal year in which the draw takes place.

Government transfers are recognized in revenue in the fiscal years during which events giving rise to the transfer occur, provided the transfers are authorized, eligibility criteria and stipulations have been met and reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made.

## Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are initially recorded at cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Capital expenditures that do not generate future economic benefits to the BIA are charged to operations in the year of acquisition.

The equipment and furniture, less residual value, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset, which is ten years. The signage, less residual value, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset, which is twenty-five years. When a new tangible asset is acquired, depreciation is recorded when the asset is put into use.

## 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## **Financial instruments**

The financial instruments of the BIA consist of cash, cash on deposit with the Corporaton of the City of Ottawa, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the BIA is not exposed to significant interest rate, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments.

### Tax revenue

Annually, the City of Ottawa bills and collects tax levies as well as payments in lieu of tax on behalf of the BIA. Tax revenue consists of non-exchange transactions. It is recognized in the period to which the assessment relates and reasonable estimates of amounts can be made. Annual revenue also includes adjustments related to reassessments or appeals related to prior years.

### 2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The BIA purchases certain services from companies controlled by the Board of Directors' members and company executives in the normal course of business at exchange amounts, which is the amount agreed to by both parties. During the year, the BIA incurred expenses of \$758, which it paid to related parties in return for goods and services.

In addition, the BIA is related to all entities under control of the City of Ottawa. As at December 31, 2020, \$121 [2019 – \$155] is included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities that is due to related parties.

### 3. TAX REVENUE

Tax revenue comprises the following:

Table 11 - Tax Revenue Breakdown

	<b>2020</b> \$	<b>2019</b> \$
General tax levy	678,537	678,173
Supplementary assessments	9,922	14,441
Remissions	(17,735)	(676)
Vacancy rebates	-	(29,741)
	670,724	662,197

### 4. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

Tangible capital assets comprise the following:

Table 12 - Tangible Capital Assets Breakdown

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Signage	44,440	_
Equipment	33,974	33,974
Furniture	3,912	-
Accumulated depreciation	(15,682)	(11,890)
Net book value	66,644	22,084

### 5. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The outbreak of the novel strain of coronavirus, specifically identified as "COVID-19", has resulted in governments worldwide enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. The Government of Canada has announced a new set of economic measures to stabilize the economy during this challenging period. In an effort to provide financial relief to members dealing with COVID-19 restrictions, the BIA elected to reduce their general tax levy by 19.8% to \$544,213 [2020 - \$678,537] for the 2021 fiscal year.