Financial Statements of

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG - ANIMAL SERVICES - SPECIAL OPERATING AGENCY

And Independent Auditor's Report thereon

Year ended December 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Mayor and Members of City Council of the City of Winnipeg

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The City of Winnipeg - Animal Services - Special Operating Agency (the "Entity"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, the statements of operations and accumulated surplus, cash flows and the change in net financial assets for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies (Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at December 31, 2023, its results of operations 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 auditor's report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other 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 Entity'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 Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity'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 the 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 Entity'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 Entity'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 Entity 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.

- 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.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Winnipeg, Canada
May 10, 2024

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG
ANIMAL SERVICES - SPECIAL OPERATING AGENCY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at December 31

	2023	2022
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash	**$ 37,104**	$ 40,032
Due from the City of Winnipeg - General Revenue Fund (Note 3)	**3,473,891**	3,069,576
	3,510,995	3,109,608
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	**34,076**	178,689
Deferred revenue	**1,674,835**	1,630,709
Vacation and overtime payable	**91,824**	106,984
Retirement allowances and compensated absences (Note 4a)	**172,000**	171,000
	1,972,735	2,087,382
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	**1,538,260**	1,022,226
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Prepaid expense	**-**	3
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 6)	**$ 1,538,260**	$ 1,022,229

Commitments (Note 7)

See accompanying notes and schedule to the financial statements

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG
ANIMAL SERVICES - SPECIAL OPERATING AGENCY

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

For the years ended December 31

	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022
REVENUES			
Regulation fees	**$ 2,449,058**	**$ 2,618,153**	$ 2,519,330
Transfer (Note 8)	**1,271,219**	**1,271,219**	371,219
Sales of goods and services	**80,289**	**115,735**	76,947
Government transfers	**27,259**	**28,156**	28,432
Other revenue	**172,954**	**246,974**	273,313
Total Revenues	**4,000,779**	**4,280,237**	3,269,241
EXPENSES			
Salaries and employee benefits	**2,129,251**	**1,938,680**	1,844,977
Grants, transfers and other	**997,890**	**845,581**	959,243
Services (Note 9)	**274,545**	**317,196**	283,562
Administrative expenses (Note 9)	**227,456**	**227,456**	227,090
Rent (Note 9)	**195,327**	**195,327**	205,167
Materials, parts and supplies	**140,310**	**188,395**	156,872
Debt and finance charges	**38,602**	**48,632**	41,175
Assets and purchases	**9,229**	**2,939**	(4,889)
Total Expenses	**4,012,610**	**3,764,206**	3,713,197
Annual Surplus / (Deficit)	**$ (11,831)**	**516,031**	(443,956)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		**1,022,229**	1,466,185
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR (Note 6)		**$ 1,538,260**	$ 1,022,229

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THE CITY OF WINNIPEG
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the years ended December 31

NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:	**2023**	2022
OPERATING		
Surplus (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	**$ 516,031**	$ (443,956)
Non-cash charges to operations		
Retirement allowances and compensated absences	**1,000**	2,000
	517,031	(441,956)
Net change in non-cash working capital balances related to operations	**(115,644)**	(91,392)
Cash provided (used in) by operating activities	**401,387**	(533,348)
FINANCING		
Change in due from The City of Winnipeg - General Revenue Fund	**(404,315)**	522,931
Decrease in cash	**(2,928)**	(10,417)
CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	**40,032**	50,449
CASH, END OF YEAR	**$ 37,104**	$ 40,032

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STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS

For the years ended December 31

	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Actual 2022
Surplus (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenses	**$ (11,831)**	**$ 516,031**	$ (443,956)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET FINANCIAL *ASSETS*	**(11,831)**	**516,031**	(443,956)
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	**1,022,229**	**1,022,229**	1,466,185
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	**$ 1,010,398**	**$ 1,538,260**	$ 1,022,229

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2023

1. Description of Business

Animal Services - Special Operating Agency (the "Agency") commenced operations on January 1, 2000. Goals since the establishment of the Agency have been to become financially self-sustaining to the greatest degree possible and to improve both the services provided to the public and the public's perception of Animal Services.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. The significant accounting policies are summarized as follows:

Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting records revenue in the period of which it is earned provided it is measurable and collection is reasonably certain. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

Non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the change in net financial liabilities for the year.

Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost and are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives using the following annual rates:

Computer equipment	25%
Furniture and other equipment	20%
Communication radios	20%
Computer Software	20%

2. *Significant Accounting Policies (continued)*

Employee benefit plan

The Winnipeg Civic Employees' Benefits Program is a multi-employer contributory defined benefit program and accordingly contributions are expensed as incurred. The costs of other retirement benefits have been accounted for based on actuarially determined amounts using the projected benefits method prorated on services and management's best estimate of retirement ages of employees, salary escalation and plan investment performance. Actuarial gains and losses are amortized on a straight-line basis over the average remaining service period. The liabilities are discounted using current interest rates on long-term bonds.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions are based on the Agency's best information and judgment and may differ from actual results.

Change in accounting policy

i) Financial instruments

On January 1, 2023, the Agency has prospectively adopted PS 3450 *Financial Instruments* , which requires the simultaneous adoption of PS 1201 *Financial Statement Presentation* , PS 2601 *Foreign Currency Translation* , and PS 3041 *Portfolio Investments* . These new standards provide comprehensive requirements for the recognition, measurement, presentation, and disclosure of financial instruments and foreign currency transactions. Under PS 3450, all financial instruments, including derivatives, are included on the Statement of Financial Position and are measured either at fair value, cost or amortized cost based on the characteristics of the instrument and the Agency's accounting policy choices (See Note Financial Instruments).

As part of PS 2601 *Foreign Currency Translation* , the Agency has elected to recognize any related unrealized foreign exchange gain or loss directly to the Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus.

Recognition, derecognition and measurement policies of prior periods to the effective date have not been reversed and therefore, prior periods and comparative information have not been restated.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are any contracts that give rise to financial assets of one entity and financial liabilities or equities of another. The Agency's financial instruments are measured at cost or amortized cost. Transaction costs are added to the carrying amount of the asset or liability upon recognition. Transaction costs are defined as incremental costs directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or liability.

At each financial statement date the Agency will assess their financial instruments to determine if they are impaired. Any impairment losses would be reported in the Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus. As all financial instruments are measured at cost or amortized cost, there have been no remeasurement gains or losses and the Statement of Remeasurement Gains (Losses) has been excluded.

Financial risk management

The Agency has exposure to liquidity risk. Liquidity risk is the risk the Agency will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. This risk is low for the Agency as it is able to access funding from the City of Winnipeg as required.

3. Due from The City of Winnipeg - General Revenue Fund

The City of Winnipeg operates a centralized treasury function with a single operating bank account in the General Revenue Fund. Consequently, the Agency does not have a bank account. Bank transactions are credited or charged to the "Due from" account when they are processed through the bank. Interest is charged or credited based on the City's average short-term earnings (cost of funds) on the single bank account. The December 31, 2023 effective interest rate was 4.95% (2022 - 4.20%).

4. Employee Benefits

a) Retirement allowances and compensated absences

	2023	2022
Retirement allowances - accrued benefit liability	**$ 86,000**	$ 90,000
Compensated absences	**86,000**	81,000
	$ 172,000	$ 171,000

Qualifying City of Winnipeg employees are entitled to a cash payment upon retirement, death or termination of service under certain conditions (not resignation). These costs are actuarially determined using the projected benefit valuation method pro-rated on services and reflects management's best estimate of retirement ages of employees, salary escalation and length of service. In addition, adjustments arising from plan amendment, changes in assumptions and experienced gains and losses are amortized on a straight-line basis over 15.4 years (2023 - 15.0 years). This represents the expected average remaining service life of the employee group. Amortization is calculated beginning in the year following the year of occurrence of the actuarial gains or losses.

The Agency measures its accrued retirement allowance liability as at December 31 of each year. An actuarial valuation of the obligation was calculated as of July 31, 2023. The results of this valuation were extrapolated to the financial reporting date of December 31, 2023 using updated assumptions.

Compensated absences represent benefits expected to be paid during future employee absences in respect of sick leave days earned in previous years.

4. Employee Benefits (continued)

Information about the Agency's retirement allowance benefit plan and compensated absences is as follows:

	2023		2022	
	Retirement allowances	**Compensated absences**	Retirement allowances	Compensated absences
Accrued benefit obligation:				
Balance, beginning of year	**$ 36,000**	**$ 61,000**	$ 41,000	$ 66,000
Current service cost	**3,000**	**10,000**	5,000	12,000
Interest cost	**(6,000)**	**3,000**	1,000	2,000
Benefit payments	**-**	**(7,000)**	(9,000)	(6,000)
Net actuarial (gain) / Loss	**14,000**	**(4,000)**	(2,000)	(13,000)
Balance, end of year	**47,000**	**63,000**	**36,000**	**61,000**
Unamortized net actuarial gain / (Loss)	**39,000**	**23,000**	54,000	20,000
Accrued benefit liability	**$ 86,000**	**$ 86,000**	$ **90,000**	**$ 81,000**
Benefit expenses:				
Current service cost	**$ 3,000**	**$ 10,000**	$ 5,000	$ 12,000
Interest cost	**(6,000)**	**3,000**	1,000	2,000
Recognition of plan Amortization of net actuarial (gain) loss	**(1,000)**	**(1,000)**	(3,000)	-
	$ (4,000)	**$ 12,000**	$ **3,000**	**$ 14,000**
Reconciliation of accrued benefit liability:				
Balance, beginning of year	**$ 90,000**	**$ 81,000**	$ 96,000	$ 73,000
Benefit expense	**(4,000)**	**12,000**	3,000	14,000
Benefit payments	**-**	**(7,000)**	(9,000)	(6,000)
Balance, end of year	**$ 86,000**	**$ 86,000**	$ **90,000**	**$ 81,000**

The significant actuarial assumptions adopted in measuring the accrued benefit liability for the year ended December 31 are as follows:

	2023	2022
Valuation interest rate	**4.20%**	4.50%
General increases in pay	**2.50%**	2.50%
Expected average remaining service life	**18.6**	19 years

b) Pensions

The Agency's employees are eligible for pensions under the Winnipeg Civic Employees' Benefits Program. The Plan is a defined benefit plan. The City of Winnipeg allocates its pension costs to various departments. During the year $151,813 (2022 - $142,217) of pension costs were allocated to the Agency. An actuarial valuation for the Winnipeg Civic Employees' Benefits Program was made as of December 31, 2022 and has disclosed an actuarial surplus.

5. *Tangible Capital Assets*

As of December 31, 2022 tangible capital assets of the Agency are fully amortized and has $nil net book value. For additional information, see Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets (Schedule 1).

6. *Accumulated Surplus*

	Actual 2023	Actual 2022
Operating	**$ 1,538,260**	$ 1,466,185

7. *Commitments*

The Agency and the Winnipeg Humane Society entered into a contract effective January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024. Subject to the Winnipeg Humane Society complying with the terms of the agreement, the Agency agreed to pay the Winnipeg Humane Society the sum of $822,273 per year.

8. *Transfer from The City of Winnipeg*

The transfers from the City of Winnipeg over the past five years are as follows:

2019	$ 771,219
2020	771,219
2021	1,271,219
2022	371,219
2023	1,271,219

9. *Related Party Transactions*

The Agency is wholly-owned by The City of Winnipeg. Transactions between the Agency and The City of Winnipeg are in the normal course of operations and are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the transactions that occurred are as follows:

Included in the Agency's expenditures is a transfer to The City of Winnipeg Municipal Accommodations Fund for rent of $195,327 (2022 - $205,167) and a transfer to The City of Winnipeg - General Revenue Fund for administrative services of $146,860 (2022 - $146,860). Also included are lease costs of $68,702 (2022 - $65,581) to The City of Winnipeg Fleet Management - Special Operating Agency and $80,596 (2022 - $80,230) for general government charges that have been paid to the City of Winnipeg - General Revenue Fund, which represents the estimated share of The City of Winnipeg's general expenses applicable to the Agency.

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG
ANIMAL SERVICES - SPECIAL OPERATING AGENCY

Schedule 1

SCHEDULE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

As at December 31

	Computer Equipment	Furniture and Other Equipment	Communication Radios	Computer Software	2023 Total	2022 Total
Cost						
Balance, Beginning of year	**$ 176,850**	**121,375**	**52,911**	**66,818**	**$ 417,954**	$ 417,954
Add:						
Additions during the year	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Less:						
Disposals during the year	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Balance, end of year	**176,850**	**121,375**	**52,911**	**66,818**	**417,954**	417,954
Accumulated amortization						
Balance, Beginning of year	**176,850**	**121,375**	**52,911**	**66,818**	**417,954**	417,954
Add:						
Amortization	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Less:						
Accumulated amortization on disposals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Balance, end of year	**176,850**	**121,375**	**52,911**	**66,818**	**417,954**	417,954
Net Book Value of Tangible Capital Assets	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	$ -