

NORTH END BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ZONE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

1. PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

The North End Business Improvement Zone was designated as a Business Improvement Zone by City of Winnipeg By-law 622/93. A management board was established to beautify, improve and maintain land of the city within the business improvement zone subject to the authorization by Council and to promote the business improvement zone as a place to retail and commercial activity.

The North End Business Improvement Zone is a not-for-profit organization and operations are to be carried on without monetary gain to its members. It is tax exempt under Section 149 (i) (k) of the Income Tax Act.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations, and include the following significant accounting policies:

a. Fund Accounting

The North End Business Improvement Zone follows the restricted fund method of accounting for grants.

The General Fund accounts for the organization's program delivery and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources, and include the following:

- Reported amounts of revenues and expenses;
- Reported amounts of assets and liabilities; and
- Disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, if any.

b. Business Improvement Zone Levy

Each year the North End Business Improvement Zone submits a proposed program, zone levy and a budget to the City of Winnipeg Council for approval. Upon approval, Council imposes a zone levy at a uniform rate on each business that is located within the Zone boundaries and collects the levy in the same manner as a business tax.

c. Revenue Recognition

Unrestricted levies are recognized as revenue of the General Fund when received or receivable if the amount to be recorded can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.