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FINANCIAL STATEMENT EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

MERIDIAN STREET PRESERVATION COMMISSION

July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013





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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

UNICE

Chairperson

Treasurer

<u>Official</u>

Term

Kathleen Blackham	07-01-11 to 06-30-14
Kevin Swiontek	07-01-11 to 08-31-13
(Vacant)	09-01-13 to 09-30-13
Michael Dunn	10-01-13 to 06-30-14



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE MERIDIAN STREET PRESERVATION COMMISSION

We have examined the accompanying financial statement of the Meridian Street Preservation Commission (Commission), for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013. The financial statement is the responsibility of the Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial statement and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Commission prepares its financial statement on the prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

In our opinion, because of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position and results of operations of the Commission for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Commission for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Paul D. Joyce

Paul D. Joyce, CPA State Examiner

July 23, 2014

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement and accompanying notes were drafted by management of the Commission. The financial statement and notes are presented as intended by the Commission.

MERIDIAN STREET PRESERVATION COMMISSION STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENTS BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS For the Years Ended June 30, 2012 and 2013

	2011-2012		2012-2013	
Cash and investments, July 1	\$	894	\$	2,216
Receipts:				
Case Fees		2,860		1,820
Total receipts		2,860		1,820
Disbursements:				
Public Notice Publications		535		699
Association Dues		-		120
Recording Secretary Fees		975		900
Bank Charges		28		
Total disbursements		1,538		1,719
Excess of total receipts over total disbursements		1,322		101
Cash and investments, June 30	\$	2,216	\$	2,317

MERIDIAN STREET PRESERVATION COMMISSION NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Polices

A. Reporting Entity

The Commission was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Commission provides the following services: preserve and promote restoration of unique and historic residential areas; specifically, a portion of Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana. Funds needed to operate the Commission are obtained through the collection of fees and from donations. The Commission received its initial funding from a grant (\$2,000) from Eli Lilly in September 1972. The Commission consists of nine volunteer members, two appointed by the Mayor of Indianapolis and seven by the Governor. These members hold monthly meetings to hear petitions from Meridian Street property owners. The owners must file a petition to obtain approval for any zoning variances or to make any changes in appearance of their property.

The accompanying financial statement presents the financial information for the Commission.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statement is reported on a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts in accordance with state statue (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in that receipts are recognized when received in cash, rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid, rather when a liability is incurred.

C. Cash and Investment

Investments are stated at cost. Any changes in fair value of the investments are reported as receipts in the year of the sale of investment.

Note 2. Deposits and Investments

A. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Commission does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The Commission deposits were only insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

B. Investments

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk, that, in the event of failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of the investment or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The Commission does not have a formal investment policy for custodial credit risk for investments. The Commission's investments are held in the name of the Commission.

MERIDIAN STREET PRESERVATION COMMISSION EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on July 23, 2014, with Kathleen Blackham, Chairperson, and Michael Dunn, Treasurer.