



MAYOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE TOWN OF BAIE-D'URFÉ 2023

Dear fellow citizens,

In accordance with section 105.2.2 of the Cities and Towns Act, I am pleased to submit the highlights of the financial report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, and of the independent auditor's report.

The Town of Baie-D'Urfé's independent auditors, BCGO s.e.n.c.r.l., reported that, except for potential impacts on the financial statements related to the fact that the Town of Baie-D'Urfé did not assess or record a liability for obligations associated with the retirement of fixed assets, the financial statements present, in all material aspects, a true and fair view of the financial position of the Town of Baie-D'Urfé as of December 31, 2023. The results of its activities, variations in its financial assets and cash flow for the year are in accordance with the Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Council and I would like to congratulate Treasurer **Julie MacDowell**, with the **support of the finance team**, for their excellent management of our financial records and for once again delivering the information to the auditors in a very professional, complete and timely manner.

FINANCIAL RESULTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

For the year 2023, revenue from the Town's operating activities amounted to \$28,191,266, while expenditures minus allocations totalled \$24,365,497. The Town, therefore, ended the year 2023 with a surplus of \$3,825,769.

This surplus is due to additional revenues of \$1.8 million, mainly related to transfer taxes (\$1,115,345), and interests (\$966,679).

Other additional revenues stem from reimbursements by the City of Montréal for the April 2023 ice storm for expenses the Town incurred, rental revenue and permits.

The Town also took a reserve from taxation revenues for three remaining contestation files (Vidéotron, Compass Datacenters Inc. & Les Immeubles Niramco Inc.) in the amount of \$675,546. The contestation reserve now stands at \$6,230,398.

The Town released funds to the operational revenue (\$301,740) after receiving confirmation from the *Programme de la taxe sur l'essence et de la contribution du Québec*, which in return lowered the financing of projects.

During the course of the year, the Town made budgetary transfers by using its accumulated surpluses and financial reserves to its operating budget for various projects that were not forecasted in the amount of \$1.9 million. Expenses from these projects not completed in 2023 will be finalized and paid for in 2024 (\$578,498).

In addition, following the various amendments to the budget, savings were also achieved in our regular operational expenses in various departments such as salaries and benefits (\$588,939), other administrative expenses (\$110,000), health and environment (\$71,236), cost of energy (\$60,170) and financing fees (\$65,160).

2023 ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

The Town started its 2023 fiscal year with an accumulated non-affected surplus of \$10,045,110 and financial reserves including affected surpluses of \$3,417,315 for a total of \$13,462,425.

At the end of the financial exercise 2023, the Town recorded an operational surplus of \$3.8 million. As of December 31, 2023, the accumulated non-affected surplus was \$8,436,401 and financial reserves including affected surpluses of \$5,553,472, for a total of \$13,989,873.

	NON-AFFECTED SURPLUS	AFFECTED SURPLUS	FINANCIAL RESERVES	RESERVED FUNDS	TOTAL
Balance (January 1)	\$10,045,110	\$2,263,380	\$709,131	\$444,804	\$13,462,425
Surplus for the year	\$3,825,769				\$3,825,769
Allocations					
Affected surplus	(\$2,729,097)	\$2,729,097			
Financial reserves	(\$1,250,000)		\$1,250,000		
Financing of investments in progress					
Operating activities	(\$1,268,873)	(\$535,640)	(\$205,008)	\$300,878	(\$1,708,643)
Investment activities	(\$186,508)	(\$600,589)	(\$288,522)	(\$514,059)	(\$1,589,678)
Balance (December 31)	\$8,436,401	\$3,856,248	\$1,465,601	\$231,623	\$13,989,873

The financing of a number of planned projects outlined in the three-year capital expenditure program 2024, 2025, and 2026, such as the Rehabilitation of the bike path between Clark-Graham Avenue and the Exo station, Public Works renovations, Town building improvements, central septic tank system, park improvements and acquisition of several Municipal Roads equipment, will be assumed in part or in full from the accumulated surplus, financial reserves and reserve funds.

2023 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES & LONG-TERM DEBT

In 2023, the Town realized investment projects totalling \$7,824,150.

A few highlighted projects include:

- ▶ Town Hall renovations (\$4,664,282)
- ▶ Rehabilitation of Lakeview and Sunny Acres (\$1,300,925)
- ▶ Red Barn – Exterior restoration (\$581,017)
- ▶ Municipal road equipment – Vehicles and heavy equipment (\$383,599)
- ▶ Park equipment (\$172,283)
- ▶ Fritz Community Centre – Exterior envelope repair (\$161,660)
- ▶ Professional services for various projects (\$145,396)
- ▶ Drainage Program – Surrey Street (\$111,392)
- ▶ Preliminary studies for rehabilitation of David-Kennedy, Gray, Maxwell and Fir North (\$110,710)
- ▶ Shoreline stabilization (\$107,322)

Our long-term debt amounted to \$5,224,050 (a decrease of \$218,150 from 2022). Of this amount, \$64,050 is solely recovered from the industrial sector and \$5,160,000 is shared by the residential and/or industrial sectors through local improvement taxes.

2023 REMUNERATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

The remuneration of all Council members must be included in the financial report and be published on the Town's website. The information is available on our Town's website under the *Finance Profile (2023 section) – Remuneration of the Elected Officials*.

The financial report for the year ending December 31, 2023, is now available on the Town's website at baie-durfe.qc.ca.

Respectfully,

Mayor **Heidi Ektvedt**

