

CHAPTER

An Act to further Amend the Edmonton Charter.

(Assented to

1968.)

His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as
follows

1. The Edmonton Charter (Ordinance 19 of 1904 as amended
by chapter 76 of the Statutes of Alberta 1906 and chapter 35
of the Statutes of Alberta 1907) is hereby further amended
as follows:—

(1) Title I, Section 2, by adding thereto the following

19. "Householder" means the occupant of a dwelling-
house who has been actually a resident of the City
since the first day of February in that year.

(2) "20. "Dwelling-house" an actual separate dwelling with
a separate door for ingress and egress.

(2) Title I, Section 4 by striking out the words "such
days" in line 3 thereof.

(3) Title II, Section 1, is hereby repealed and the following
is substituted therefor:

1. The inhabitants of the locality described as fol-
lows, that is to say:— Commencing at the centre of the
Saskatchewan River on the Easterly line projected of
River Lot 26 of the Edmonton Settlement according to the
Dominion Government plan of survey thereof; thence
Northerly along the Easterly line of said River Lot 26
to the ~~North~~ Northerly limit thereof; thence due East

to the centre of Section 15 in Township 53 Range 24 West of the 4th Meridian; thence due North to the Northerly limit of said Section 15; thence due West to the North-West angle of Section 18 in said Township 53; thence South to the Northerly limit of Section 12 in Township 53 in Range 25 West of the 4th Meridian; thence due West to the North-West angle of said Section 12; thence due South to the centre of the Saskatchewan River; thence Easterly and following the centre of the bed of the river to the point of commencement; and such persons as shall hereafter become inhabitants of the said locality are hereby declared to be a municipal corporation under the name of "The City of Edmonton".

"Provided that that portion of said locality lying beyond the present boundaries of the City of Edmonton shall not be subject to taxation for general municipal purposes until the year 1913.

- (4) Title IV, Section 1, is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: "The persons qualified to vote at elections shall be all persons both male and female of the full age of twenty-one years whose names appear on the last revised voters list."
- (5) Title IV, Section 2, is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"The Assessor shall on or before the 1st day of September in each year prepare a voters list in alphabetical form. He shall place thereon the names of all persons both male and female of the full age of twenty-one years who are assessed on the last revised assessment roll for \$200.00 or upwards, and the names of all

persons whose names appear on the "Householders Tax List" hereinafter provided for, and the Assessor shall indicate on the said list the names of all burgesses and the number of votes to which in voting upon referred By-laws they are respectively entitled; and the Assessor shall cause such voters' list to be printed with the next following three sections hereof prefixed thereto. Copies thereof shall be posted up in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer and in three other conspicuous and public places in the City on or before the 15th day of September; and notice of such posting shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in the City."

- (6) Title IV, Section 3, by striking out all the words down to and including "in the following form" and substituting therefor the following: "Any person who has been a resident in the City in the current year prior to the first day of July and continuously since and who is otherwise duly qualified but whose name does not appear on the voters' list or who by error is not assessed on the roll high enough to qualify him or her as a voter or whose name is put down in error or whose name has been omitted from the last revised assessment roll may either by himself or herself or his or her agent apply to have the voters list amended by giving to the Assessor a notice in the following form:"

- (7) Title IV, Section 7, by striking out the words "Council" in line two thereof and substituting therefor the word "Commissioners,"

and by adding to said Section the following: "Provided always ~~and~~ that an appeal may be taken by any person dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioners, to the

by delivering to the Assessor a written notice within five days from the decision of the Commissioners and the Council shall decide the matter of said appeal at its next regular meeting thereafter."

- (8) Title XXII, Section 3, Subsection 4, by striking out the words "shall before the final passing thereof receive the assent of a majority of the burgesses voting thereon in accordance with the provisions of Title XXIV."
- (9) Title XXIII, Section 4, Subsection 1, by inserting between the words "debts" and "shall" in line one thereof the words, "(including debts for local improvements)."
- (10) Title XXIII. by adding thereto the following sections:
- "13. In place of provisionally passing any by-law required by The Edmonton Charter to be referred to the burgesses and thereafter submitting the same, the Council may by resolution submit the question by such by-law to be determined, by publishing a notice stating shortly the subject matter of such proposed by-law and the question to be determined by vote of the burgesses.
14. All the provisions of this Charter and amendments thereto relating to referred by-laws shall mutatis mutandis, in so far as the same are applicable, apply to questions submitted as aforesaid, and upon the question so submitted being by vote of the burgesses decided in the affirmative, the Council may pass a by-law in accordance with such decision and any by-law so passed shall have the same force and effect and in all respects be as binding and valid as a referred by-law which has obtained the assent of the burgesses."
- (11) Title XXVIII, Section 6, by striking out the word "District" in subclause 2 thereof and substituting

therefor the word "Province."

- (12) Title XXX, Section 4, Subsection 1, by striking out in line two thereof the words "the fee whereof is not vested in the Crown."
- (13) Title XXXI, Section 18, by striking out the word "Secretary-Treasurer" in line 2 and substituting therefor the word "Assessor."
- (14) Title XXXI, by striking out at the end of subsection 3 of Section 21, the words "until the penalty and costs are paid" and substituting therefor the words "for a period not exceeding thirty days unless said penalty and costs are sooner paid."
- (15) Title XXXII:
- (a) By striking out the word "Territories" in subsection 2 of Section 2 thereof and substituting therefor the words "Province of Alberta."
- (b) By striking out the word "one" in subsection 4 of Section 2 thereof and substituting therefor the words "one half of an."
- (c) By repealing Section 5 thereof and substituting therefor the following: "except members of His Majesty's naval or military force on full pay or on actual service or of the Royal North-West Mounted Police force or of the City Fire Brigade, every male person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards who has been a resident of the city for at least three months during the then current year prior to the 31st day of October and who is not assessed upon the last revised assessment roll shall be liable to pay a poll tax of \$2.00, the said poll tax may be collected at any time after the 1st day of June, but every

person liable to pay a poll tax and any of the persons hereinbefore excepted, upon satisfying the assessor on or before the 1st day of September in the then current year, he is a "Householder" as herein defined and producing to the assessor his receipt for said poll tax shall be entered by the assessor upon a list to be called the "Householders' Tax List."

(d) By adding thereto the following sections:-

7. The Council may by by-law fix the assessment of manufacturers in respect to land actually and bona fide used in connection with their business at a stated amount for a period not exceeding ten years and may from time to time as such period expires readjust and re-fix said assessment provided that no such period shall exceed ten years.

8. The Council may by by-law impose a special license fee upon persons who occupy premises for temporary periods or who commence business after the final revision of the assessment roll and whose names have not been duly entered on such roll for the current year and may fix the sum to be paid for such license and the time it shall be in force."

(16) Title XXXIII, Section 4, by adding thereto the following: " and may provide that the taxes for the then current year or any instalment thereof be not accepted until all arrears are first paid."

(17) Title XXXIII, Section 5, is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: "The Council may by by-law allow a discount for payment of the aforesaid taxes or any part thereof or any instalment thereof on or

before the day or days therein named and may impose an additional percentage charge (not exceeding 5 per cent.) for non-payment by the first day of January in the next ensuing year to that on which the same were imposed, and in the event of such taxes not being paid before the first day of July in said next ensuing year a further percentage charge of (not exceeding a further 5 per cent.); and such additional percentage or percentages shall be added to any unpaid amount of taxes or assessments or rate or instalment and collected by the Assessor or by distraint or otherwise as if it had been originally imposed by by-law."

- (18) Title XXXV, Section 5, by inserting between the words "undertaken" and "either" in the second line thereof, the words " and the necessary by-laws passed and debentures issued thereunder."
- (19) Chapter 35 of the Ordinances of the North-West Territories of 1900 as amended by Chapter 15 of 1902 and Chapter 32 of 1903 (second session) and called "Schedule A" to the Edmonton Charter, is hereby amended by adding to Section 29 thereof the following:
- (1) The above provisions from Section 20 to 29 inclusive shall in so far as the same are applicable apply to the municipal telephone system and especially as to the powers to collect telephone rates and recover telephone property and fixtures."
- (20) Chapter 35 of the Statutes of 1907, Section 20, by striking out the word "building" where it last occurs therein and substituting therefor the word "premises."