

# BILL

No. 50 of 1947.

An Act to amend the Ordinances and Acts relating to the  
City of Red Deer.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1947.)

**W**HEREAS the City of Red Deer has prayed for certain amendments to chapter 42 of the Consolidated Ordinances of the North-West Territories, 1901, intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the Town of Red Deer" and amendments thereto and the Ordinance and Acts respecting the Town and City of Red Deer; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer in the said petition;

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

**1.** The council may take a plebiscite upon any question, matter or thing it shall see fit and may refer the same to either the electors or the burgesses, and all the provisions of the Ordinances and Acts respecting the Town and City of Red Deer relating to the taking of votes at elections or votings of burgesses shall, as the case may be, apply as far as applicable to and regulate such plebiscite.

**2.** The council may enter on private property to cut or trim trees and to remove other obstructions which interfere with power service lines.

(2) The council is hereby empowered by resolution to declare any hedge, shrubbery, tree or trees, fence, railing or billboard situated on private property, a public nuisance where such hedge, shrubbery, tree or trees, fence, railing or billboard constitutes an undue obstruction to the vision of the operators of approaching motor vehicles or other conveyances thereby constituting a menace to public safety, and to provide for the abatement of such declared nuisance upon failure of the owner of the said hedge, shrubbery, tree or trees, fence, railing or billboard to remove the same after reasonable notice in writing so to do.

**3.** Notwithstanding anything in the Ordinances and Acts respecting the Town and City of Red Deer contained, the assessment roll of the City of Red Deer shall be the tax roll of the City of Red Deer and may combine all classes

of taxes, or there may be a separate tax roll for each distinct class of taxes, and shall in that way, or independently, contain,—

- (a) the name of every person liable to taxation;
  - (b) his residence;
  - (c) the value of the land, buildings, and improvements, or premises wherein he carries on his trade, business or profession, in respect of which he is liable to taxation;
  - (d) the total amount for which he is liable;
- and there shall be calculated and set down opposite each such entry, in appropriately headed columns, the sums for which that person is chargeable by way of taxes.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection (1), the council may, by by-law, provide that it shall be sufficient for the assessor to set down opposite the assessed value of the property of each taxable person, in a column provided for that purpose, the amount with which that person is chargeable for all sums ordered to be levied by the council, in which case it shall not be necessary to state the particular sums mentioned in the said subsection, and the tax notice shall be in accordance with this subsection.

(3) Appended to every tax notice there shall be a table setting forth,—

- (a) the total amount of taxes to be collected under and by virtue of the roll; and
- (b) the purpose and amount of each rate levied by the City which is required by law, or by the law imposing it.

4. Notwithstanding anything in the Ordinances and Acts respecting the town and city of Red Deer contained, upon the report of the city engineer or the city health officer recommending the same, the council may direct that the owner of any land abutting on any street or public place wherein there is a sewer and water main shall install in any building thereon connections with such sewer and water mains and such apparatus and appliances as shall insure proper sanitary condition of the building and premises, and if such owner does not within thirty days after such direction proceed with all proper dispatch to install such water service, plumbing and other sanitary improvements, the council shall have power, by resolution or by-law, to direct water and plumbing or other sanitary improvements to be made in any such building, and the City may, with or without the consent of the owner, occupant or tenant thereof, enter, make, construct and install such water, plumbing or other sanitary improvements or cause the same to be done, and after the completion thereof the building inspector shall grant a certificate, stating therein the number and description of the parcel of land whereon such work has been done and the actual costs of the work, and shall file such certificate with the assessor, and the amount of such

costs so certified shall be divided into such number of instalments as shall be directed by resolution or by-law of the council and such costs shall, as in the case of local improvements, be added to the taxes on such lot or parcel of land in the collector's roll for the proper number of years, beginning with the roll prepared next after the filing of said certificate, and the said costs shall thereupon become and be treated in all respects as ordinary taxes due upon the said land.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Ordinances and Acts respecting the town and city of Red Deer contained, upon the report of the city building inspector, the council may direct the owner of any building which the council considers dangerous by reason of the absence of fire escapes thereon to construct such fire escapes in accordance with the direction of the building inspector for the city of Red Deer and to make such structural alterations in such building as the nature of the case may require in order to eliminate such dangerous condition. If such owner does not, within thirty days after such direction, commence and proceed with all proper dispatch to construct proper fire escapes on such building, the council shall have power, by resolution or by-law, with or without the consent of the owner, occupant or tenant of such building, to enter, make, construct and install such fire escapes and make any necessary structural alterations in such building or cause the same to be done, and after the completion thereof the city building inspector shall grant a certificate, stating therein the number and description of the parcel of land whereon such work has been done and the actual costs of the work, and shall file such certificate with the assessor, and the amount of such costs so certified shall be divided into such number of instalments as shall be directed by resolution or by-law of the council, as in the case of local improvements, and added to the taxes on such lot or parcel of land in the collector's roll for the proper number of years, beginning with the rolls prepared next after the filing of said certificate, and the said costs shall thereupon become and be treated in all respects as ordinary taxes due upon the said land.

(3) If the owner of any land on which the council has directed the installation of sewer and water connections or the owner of any building on which the council has directed the erection of proper fire escapes neglects for over thirty days to comply with such directions of the council, the council may, by resolution, impose a penalty not exceeding five dollars per day for every day that such owner neglects to proceed with such installation of water and plumbing and/or the erection of such fire escapes, and the council may, by resolution, add such penalties to the taxes on the proper parcel of land and such penalties may be collected as taxes as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

**5.** This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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