

# BILL

No. 21 of 1916.

An Act respecting the Town of High River.

(Assented to , 1916.)

WHEREAS a petition has been presented by the Town of High River praying for the granting of the powers hereinafter mentioned to the council of the said town;

And whereas it is reasonable that the prayer of the said petition should be granted;

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 of the Town of High River may assess, levy and collect a frontage tax on all lands fronting or abutting on any of the streets, lanes, squares or other public places in the said town through or along which sewer mains have been or may hereafter be laid and also on all lands which now are or may hereafter be connected with and drained by any such sewer mains. Such tax shall be a uniform one of a certain amount (not exceeding 10c) per foot of the frontage, to be assessed, levied and collected as part of and along with the ordinary municipal taxes of the said town and shall form a lien upon the lands affected in the same way as such ordinary taxes and shall form part of the general revenue of the said town except as hereinafter provided.

(2) The amount of such tax, the lands to be affected, the mode of adjustment and the amount of the tax in respect of lands of peculiar shape or size, or of varying depths, or in respect of lands fronting or abutting on more than one street, lane, square or public place, shall be ascertained and determined by the assessor in such manner as he shall be directed thereto by the council. The assessor shall on or before the 15th day of July prepare and file with the official, in whose charge the collector's rolls are prepared, a report showing the names of all persons liable for such frontage tax, a description of the lands and the amount of such tax. Immediately upon the completion of the report the assessor shall make and attach thereto a statutory declaration in the following form:

"I, . . . . . of the Town of High River, in the Province of Alberta, . . . . . do solemnly declare:

"1. That I have, according to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, set down in the attached report all lands liable to sewer main frontage tax situated in the Town of High River.

"And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of *The Canada Evidence Act*.

“Declared before me at High River  
 in the Province of Alberta, this }  
 . . . .day of. . . .A.D. 1916.} Assessor for the Town  
 of High River.

*A Commissioner in and for the Province of Alberta.”*

(3) The official by whom the collector's rolls are prepared shall enter the amount of such tax in such rolls against the respective lands affected in the same manner as and as part of the ordinary municipal rates and taxes of the said town. Such tax may be so assessed, levied and collected irrespective of whether such lands are vacant or are not connected with the sewer mains or do not make use of or receive any direct benefit therefrom.

2. In the event of the construction of new sewer mains by the council of the said town as “local improvements” under the provisions of part VII of *The Town Act* and of the issue of debentures to meet the whole or any part of the cost of such construction then the whole or such portion of the special frontage assessment authorized by this Act as may be required to meet the annual payments on such debentures shall be applied to such purpose.

3. The council of the said Town of High River is hereby authorized and empowered to construct new sewer mains wherever in the opinion of the said council it is expedient and in the interests of the town to do so, and such new sewer mains may be considered and treated as “local improvements” and all the provisions of part VII of *The Town Act* shall apply thereto except section 339 of the said Act.

4. This Act shall be read and construed in conjunction with and as forming part of *The Town Act* of the said province.

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