

BILL

No. 3 of 1943.

An Act to amend the Acts constituting The Edmonton Charter.

(Assented to _____, 1943.)

WHERAS a petition has been presented by the Council of The City of Edmonton for an amendment to the Acts constituting *The Edmonton Charter*;

Whereas it is reasonable that the prayer of the said petition shall be granted.

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

The Edmonton Charter, being chapter 23 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1913 (1st Session), as amended from time to time, is hereby further amended as follows:

1. As to section 221 thereof, by adding thereto the following subsections, namely:

“(21) In lieu of payment by the City of premiums on policies of fire, public liability or other insurance, the Council is hereby empowered by annual levy or otherwise, except by capital borrowing, to create a fund not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of \$500,000.00, to be used for the protection of the City from loss by fire or other cause. All moneys appropriated to the said fund from time to time shall be paid to The Sinking Fund Trustees of the City for investment purposes until such time as the said money is required for the said purposes, and Council shall have no power to divert the moneys in said fund to any purpose other than that for which the said fund was created.

“(22) The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to enter into any agreement with the Government of the Dominion of Canada or of the Province of Alberta or with any agency of either of said Governments, with regard to the construction of houses to relieve the housing shortage due to war conditions, upon such terms and conditions as the said Governments or said agencies may lawfully make, and to do all other acts or things necessary for or incidental to the carrying into effect of any such agreement, with power in Council in any such agreement to obligate the City to guarantee payment of house rentals and to fix special assessments on houses which may be erected by either of said Governments or any agency thereof and the lands upon which such houses are erected.”

2. As to section 315 thereof, by adding to subsection (11) of said section the following additional paragraph, namely:

“(f) The said Trustees shall be entitled to receive in trust to invest and accumulate at such lawful rates of interest as may be obtained therefor or may be agreed upon between the City and the Trustees, all moneys paid to them by the City to cover the cost of unspecified municipal works or delayed public improvements as provided in section 353 hereof or as a fund to protect the City against loss by fire or other cause as provided in section 221 (21) hereof.”

3. As to section 353 thereof, by adding immediately after the words “according to the last revised assessment roll thereof”, where the same occur therein, the following proviso, namely:

“Provided that the Council may in each year during the continuance of the present war and one year thereafter, including the year 1943, by levy or otherwise, create and accumulate a fund to cover the cost of unspecified municipal works or delayed public improvements within the City, including the construction, maintenance and repair of buildings and also including new housing, bridges or highways, said works and improvements to be undertaken after the conclusion of the present war; provided, however, that in no event shall Council by the inclusion in the annual levy of amounts destined for said fund exceed in any year the total mill rate imposed for the year 1942, and provided further that the amounts so provided by levy or otherwise from time to time may be paid to the Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Edmonton for investment until such time as the said fund may be required for the said purposes, and provided also that any portion of said fund may either before or after the conclusion of the war be appropriated by Council for any Municipal Housing Scheme that Council may adopt.”

4. As to section 520a thereof, by adding at the end thereof the words “or such board or organization, as the case may be”.

5. By adding thereto the following section:

“**520b.** If in any case money deposited with the City by any person as a guarantee deposit for the payment of accounts of the City with respect to water, light, telephone or other utilities remains unclaimed for a period of five years after the account of the person so depositing the same has been discontinued, the amount of such deposit shall be transferred to the General Revenue Account of the City; provided, however, that the City shall remain liable to repay the amount of the deposit to the person lawfully entitled thereto for a period of ten years next following the discon-

tinuance of the account but after the said ten-year period the said deposit shall become the absolute property of the City free from any claim in respect thereof.”

6. As to section 4 of chapter 66 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1942, by changing the number “(19)”, where the same occurs therein, to “(20)”.

7. As to section 9 of chapter 66 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1942, by changing the number “(5)”, where the same occurs therein, to “(6)”.

8. This Act shall come into force on the day on which it is assented to.

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