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This is a certified copy of the Charter Amendment that was passed at the General Election November 2, 1954.

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Section 2 of Chapter II of the existing City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:-

SECTION 2. OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED - FRIMARY ELECTION - FILING BY CANDIDATES - CONDUCT OF PRIMARY - CANVASS - VACANCIES AFTER PRIMARY At each general city election there shall be elected a Mayor and a Common Council of seven (7) aldermen.

All other officers necessary for the proper management of the affairs of said city shall be appointed by the Common Council for a term co-extensive with the life of said Common Council, except as otherwise provided in this charter.

There shall also be elected at the general city election on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1956 and quadrennially thereafter on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November a Municipal Judge who shall hold office for the term of four (4) years, beginning on the first Monday of the month next following his election, and until his successor duly qualifies.

All municipal elections for elective city officers in the City of West St. Paul shall be held and conducted under the conducted under the primary election system and the mode of nomination and election shall be as herein set forth.

The City Primary Election shall be held on the day of the State Primary Election in each year in which a general city election is held.

Not less than 15 days preceding the city primary election any eligible person desirous of having his name placed upon the city primary election ballot as a candidate for an elective city office shall file an affidavit with the City Clerk, stating his residence, that he is a qualified voter in the city and naming the office for which he desires to be a candidate. Upon payment by such candidate of a fee of \$5.00 to the Clerk, that officer shall place the name of such candidate upon the city primary ballot without any political party designation, except that where only two persons have filed for any one office the names of such persons shall not be placed upon said primary ballot but shall be placed upon the general election ballot as the nominees for the office named. Only the names of candidates who have filed, as herein provided, shall be printed on the

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primary ballot, and there shall be no political party designation or mark in such ballot indicative of the source of the candidacy or the support of any candidate.

There shall be no blank space on such ballots for writing in names of candidates, and votes cast for candidates whose names have not been duly placed on such ballots shall not be counted as to such office.

The results of the city primary election shall be canvassed by the council, and the two candidates for each office who shall receive the highest number of votes shall be declared to be the nominees for the office named and their names shall be certified to the City Clerk, who shall place them on the general election ballots without any political party designation.

Except as hereinnregulated or otherwise provided, the City primary election shall be conducted in accordance with applicable State Laws which are hereby adopted as part hereof the same as if specifically enacted.

When a vacancy occurs in any nomination made at a city primary election the same may be filled by petition, as provided by law, but no candidates defeated at the city primary election shall be eligible for nomination by petition, and after one nominating petition for each such vacancy shall have been duly filed no other nominating petition for the same office shall be received.

I, Earl Zehnder, City Clerk, hereby certify that the above charter amendment is a true and correct copy as adopted by the Council at their regular meeting held November 9, 1954.

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