

# Amendment to the City Charter

TO BE VOTED ON AT THE SPECIAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD JULY 1st, 1919.

That Section 201 of the City Charter be amended to read as follows:

"Section 201. The total cost of the government of the City of St. Paul in any one calendar or fiscal year, with the exception of the amount necessary to meet maturing bonds or levy certificates or similar obligations as they come due, shall not exceed \$30 per capita for each inhabitant of said city, provided that the cost of operating public utilities where this cost is met by revenues collected from patrons for the service, or from other like revenues, or expenditures for school buildings made from the proceeds of bond issues, shall not be considered part of the cost of said government. And the Council shall have no authority to make appropriations in excess of the limitation named herein. The limitations imposed upon school expenditures by Section 394 are hereby repealed, but all moneys appropriated and expended for school purposes shall be considered part of the cost of government, except as aforesaid.

"To determine the population upon which this per capita limitation shall be based, the Comptroller and the City Council shall take the United States census figures of population for St. Paul last announced, previous to the completion of any annual budget, and shall add thereto, each year that has elapsed since said United States census, a number equal to one-tenth of the increase in the population of the City of St. Paul, during the period between said census and the last previous United States census. It is the intent of this section that this limita-

tion shall cover all governmental outlay as well as maintenance of government, whether the funds are supplied by taxation or by borrowing, except in the case of public utilities and school buildings, as above excepted, and in the case of local improvements paid for by special assessments."

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proposed amendment to Section 201 of the Charter of the City of St. Paul, proposed by the Board of Freeholders of said City, and which has been ordered by the Council to be submitted to the voters of said City for ratification at the special city election to be held July 1st, 1919.

Witness my hand this 29th day of May, 1919.

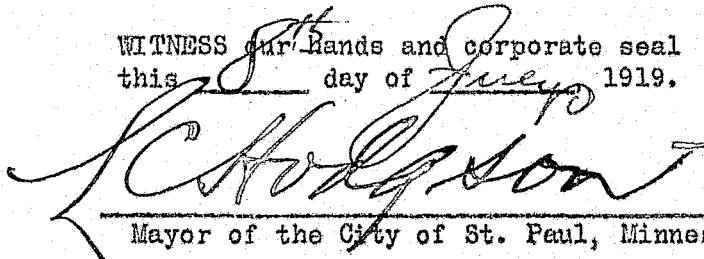
2023 JOHN I. FARIGY,  
City Clerk.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, }  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY, } SS  
CITY OF ST. PAUL. }

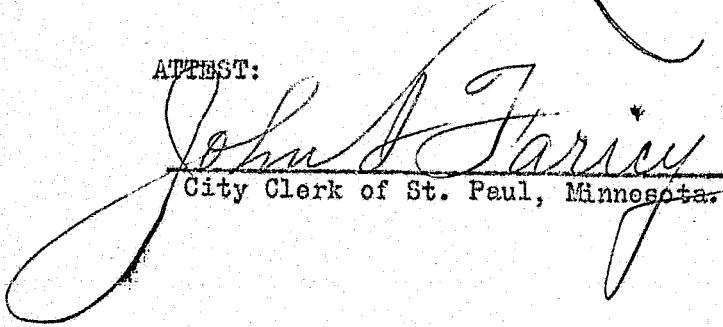
KNOW ALL MEN THAT THESE PRESENTS HEREBY CERTIFY,  
that the foregoing draft of amendment proposed to the Charter  
of the City of St. Paul, in the County of Ramsey and State of  
Minnesota, as returned to the Chief magistrate of said City of  
St. Paul, to-wit, its Mayor L. C. Hodgson, by the Board of Free-  
holders appointed by the Judges of the District Court of the  
Second Judicial District of said state, under and pursuant to  
the constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota, was sub-  
mitted to the qualified voters of said City of St. Paul at the  
special city election held in said city on the 1st day of July,  
1919, at which said election there was cast in favor of said  
amendment twenty thousand two hundred four (20,204) out of a  
total vote of twenty six thousand two hundred twenty two (26,222)  
cast at said election and at said election said amendment did  
receive the votes of more than three-fifths of the qualified  
voters voting at said election in said city in favor of the adop-  
tion and ratification thereof, and said amendment did receive more than  
three-fifths of the total vote cast for any purpose at said election  
in favor of its adoption and ratification, and that all of the votes  
so cast by the qualified voters and electors at said election held  
on the 1st day of July, 1919 upon the subject of the adoption and  
ratification of said amendment, were duly returned and canvassed by  
the properly and duly authorized and official canvassing board of  
the aforesaid city, and that said canvassing board, after such can-  
vass, have duly declared said amendment to have been duly ratified  
and adopted by the electors of said city, and it is hereby declared  
and certified that said amendment to said Charter was duly and

properly ratified and adopted by the qualified voters and electors  
of said city at said election.

WITNESS our hands and corporate seal  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1919.

  
Mayor of the City of St. Paul, Minnesota.

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk of St. Paul, Minnesota.

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*Julius A. Schwab*  
Secretary of State