



City of Rochester
Minnesota

ELFREDA REITER
City Clerk

December 26, 1968

Joseph Donovan
Secretary of State
St. Paul, Minnesota 55100

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a certified copy of the resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Rochester on November 18th, 1968, showing the number of votes received for and against the following amendment to the City Charter:

"Shall the Charter of the City of Rochester be amended by adding thereto a new section 103.5 which provides that no public redevelopment project of urban renewal or other public redevelopment project shall be initiated, undertaken, constructed and/or carried on, until submitted to and approved by the voters of the City of Rochester. This amendment shall apply to all public redevelopment projects heretofore proposed or to be proposed in the future and regardless of whether federal government financial assistance is involved or whether any direct loan, grant or other financing from the City is involved."

Very truly yours,

Doris A. Schubert
Deputy City Clerk

ER/ds

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State of Minnesota,

County of Olmsted,

City of Rochester, SS

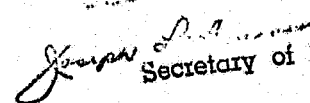
I, Doris Schubert, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Rochester, Minnesota,
do hereby certify that I have compared the attached copy of a resolution
with the original resolution on file in my office and that the foregoing
is a true and correct copy of the said resolution and of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand this 26th day of December, 1968.


Doris Schubert
Deputy City Clerk of Rochester, Minnesota

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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Rochester that the proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of Rochester adding a new section designated Section 103.5 relative to voter approval of public redevelopment projects of urban renewal, which amendment was submitted to the qualified voters of this city for their approval or rejection at the General Election held in the several election districts in the city on November 5, 1968, is hereby declared to have been duly adopted by a vote of 11,110 in favor of said amendment and 5,794 against said amendment.

Be it further resolved that the City Clerk is hereby directed to file with the Secretary of the State of Minnesota and the Register of Deeds of Olmsted County, Minnesota a copy of said amendment and her certificate with respect thereto as required by law.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 18th day of November, 1968.

Harold De Vries
President of said Common Council

Attest: Elfrieda Renter
City Clerk

Approved this 19th day of November, 1968.

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Rochester, Minnesota)

Alfred J. Smith
Mayor of said City.

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PETITION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER

To the Charter Commission of the City of Rochester, Minnesota.

The undersigned, representing more than 5 per cent of the total number of votes cast in the City of Rochester in the last general election, November 8, 1966, herewith petition the Charter Commission of the City of Rochester, Minnesota to propose an amendment to said charter pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 410.12 (1) by adding an appropriately numbered section to said charter to read as follows:

***Submission to Electorate; General or Special Election:**

No public re-development project of urban renewal shall be undertaken or if already undertaken, carried on, by any authority or finally approved or adopted until the governing body of the municipality shall have submitted to the qualified voters of the municipality at a special election, or at the next general election, the question in substantially the following form:

Shall public re-development projects of urban renewal be initiated, constructed, and/or carried on by the housing and redevelopment authority, or any other agency, in and for the City of Rochester?

Yes _____
No _____

If a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting upon the question shall vote in the affirmative, the housing and re-development authority of that municipality shall thereupon be empowered to initiate, construct, and carry on public re-development of urban renewal, pursuant to law, and according to a plan filed with the municipality; but upon completion of such plan, any further proposals or plan must be again submitted to the voters of the municipality as to the initiation of further public re-development urban renewal plans in the manner first provided.

If a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting upon the question shall vote in the negative, then the housing and redevelopment authority, or any other agency, shall not initiate or proceed with any plans already initiated for any public re-development urban renewal projects in the municipality until authorized by the qualified voters of the municipality in the manner herein provided, and the question shall not again be submitted to those qualified voters for at least one year after the date of such election.

Special elections held pursuant to this section shall be held and conducted in the same manner and upon the same notice, and the returns thereon made in the same form and manner, as other special elections in the City of Rochester.

This section shall be applicable to all public redevelopment projects heretofore proposed or to be proposed in the future prior to final adoption whether or not any financial assistance is provided by the federal government or any agency or instrumentality thereof, and whether or not any direct loan or grant or other financing from the municipality is involved."

The following names and addresses of five electors of the City of Rochester are the committee of the petitioners herein and are responsible for the circulating and filing of this petition:

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