

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER
OF THE CITY OF BRAINERD

That Section (54) of chapter Three of the Charter of the City of Brainerd, entitled "Finances", be amended by adding thereto the following, to follow subdivision No. (15) of said Section (54):

No. (16). AN EMERGENCY FUND for the emergency requirements of any of the foregoing funds hereto fore established and in existence under this Section, which may become depleted during the fiscal year. For the support of this Fund the City Council is authorized to annually levy against the taxable property of the City a tax in amount of a sum producible from not to exceed three (3) mills on the dollar of the then latest assessed valuation of such taxable property prior to the time of every such levy, provided that the estimate of the necessary expenses for the ensuing fiscal year, as set forth in Section (60) of the City Charter as heretofore amended, shall show a deficit in any of said funds, necessitating such assistance; and provided further that the vote of the City Council authorizing a levy for this fund shall be a unanimous, affirmative vote of the full and total membership of the City Council; and provided further that the transfer from this Emergency Fund for the support of other funds can only be made by an affirmative vote of at least seven members of the City Council.

That Section (55) of Chapter Three of said City Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section (55). The aggregate amount to be levied for general taxation in any year for all said funds, including Fund No. (16) known as an Emergency Fund, except the funds numbered (1) (2) (4) (5) (9) and (14), shall not exceed twelve (12) mills on the dollar of the latest previous

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assessed valuation of all taxable property in the City, and any levy in excess of such limitation shall be void as to the excess. Every year general taxes shall be levied for Fund No. (2) in amount not less than a sum producible from one mill on the dollar of such taxable property, according to such assessed valuation; for Fund No. (4) in amount not below that which might be produced by one-half mill on the dollar, and for Fund No. (5) in amount not less than might result from not less than one-half mill nor more than three-fourths of a mill, on a dollar of the then latest previous assessed valuation of all taxable property in the City. Money in the treasury at the time this amendment goes into effect, and all moneys that may or shall be derived from taxes levied before this amendment becomes effective, shall, so far as practicable, be apportioned among the various corresponding funds hereby established. Any portion of such moneys not susceptible to distribution to any of these specific funds shall be placed in the general fund.

That Section (60) of Chapter Three of the Charter of the City of Brainerd, wherein reference is made to the keeping of accounts by the City Treasurer, be amended by striking therefrom the words, "Numbered (1) to (15) Inclusive", and that the words "Numbered (1) to (16) Inclusive", be inserted in lieu thereof.

Section (60-A). The amendments to Section (54), Section (55) and Section (60) of Chapter Three of the Charter of the City of Brainerd hereinbefore proposed shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its adoption.

The foregoing is a draft of certain proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Brainerd, in Crow Wing County, Minnesota, duly formulated and adopted by the duly appointed, qualified, existing and acting Charter Commission of the City, under the appropriate provisions of the Constitution and of the Statute in such case

made and provided, which said draft of proposed amendments is hereby delivered to the Honorable F. E. Little, mayor of the City of Brainerd, to be submitted to the City Council of the City of Brainerd for further proceedings, according to law.

Signed by the following members of the said Charter Commission comprising a majority thereof.

Dated at Brainerd, Minnesota, this 1st day of November, A. D., 1919.

A. J. Halsted, President.

J. H. Strickler

G. D. LaBar

W. T. McCloskey

A. Anderson

H. E. Scott

F. M. Hagberg

G. P. O'Brien

Louis F. Hohman

F. M. Koop

Fred Drexler

A. A. Weideman

H. A. Keatz

A. A. Arnold

The foregoing draft of certain proposed amendments was delivered to me by the Secretary of the Charter Commission this 3rd day of November, A. 'D. 1919.

F. E. Little

Mayor.

I, F. E. Little, Mayor and Chief Magistrate of the City of Brainerd, Crow Wing County, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is the proposed amendments to the Charter of said City of Brainerd which were proposed by the duly qualified and acting Charter Commission of said City on November first (1st), A. D. 1919, received by me from said Commission on November third (3rd), A. D. 1919, and published for over thirty days in three legal newspapers of general circulation in said City; and I do further certify that said proposed amendments were accepted, ratified and adopted by over three-fifths of the qualified voters of said City lawfully voting at a special election duly ordered, called and held for the purpose of voting on the adoption of said amendments to said Charter on the eighth (8th day of December, 1919.

Dated at Brainerd, Minnesota, this 12th day of December, 1919.

F. E. Little
Mayor and Chief Magistrate.

Attest:

Severn Swanson
City Clerk.

(City of)
(Brainerd, Minnesota)
(Corporate Seal.)

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PROPOSED 2065 AMENDMENTS

TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MOORHEAD.

To the Honorable N. N. Melvey, Mayor, and the Council of the City of Moorhead:

We, the undersigned, appointed on the 4th day of January, 1919, by the Honorable the District Court of Minnesota in and for the County of Clay as a Charter Commission for the said city, do hereby respectfully submit the following Amendments to the Charter adopted by the city on the 22nd day of May, 1900, to-wit:

FIRST AMENDMENT.

To amend Chapter XV of the Charter of the City of Moorhead by adding thereto:

Sec. 241.—For the purposes of enabling the City of Moorhead to construct a City Hall and Fire Station in said City, the City Council of said City by a two-thirds vote thereof at any meeting is hereby authorized to call for bids and enter into the necessary contracts for the construction of such City Hall and Fire Station, all provisions of the Charter to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 242.—For the purpose of providing funds for the construction of said City Hall and Fire Station the City Council may issue without further authority bonds to the amount of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars, and such bonds shall be a first lien upon said City Hall and Fire Station. They shall be issued in such denominations and bear such rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum as the Council may determine and shall be payable in five years. And provided further that for the purpose of providing funds for the construction of said City Hall and Fire Station the City Council shall transfer and divert from the Permanent Improvement Fund the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars; from the Sinking Fund the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars; from the Water and Light Fund the sum of Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000) Dollars, and from the School Building Fund the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred (\$12,500) Dollars, all provisions of the Charter to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 243.—That upon the publication and adoption of the foregoing amendment the Council may issue and sell said bonds, make said transfer of funds and proceed with the work without further notice.

SECOND AMENDMENT.

To amend Section 94 of Chapter V as follows:

By inserting immediately after the words "a poor fund" the words "a park fund."

By adding to said Section 94 the following sub-division:

9. The park fund is created to provide moneys for the purpose of buying, maintaining and improving parks and for providing musical and educational entertainment for the inhabitants of the city. This fund shall be supported by taxation but no larger amount shall be levied therefor in any one year than 2 mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the city.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1919.

A. J. WRIGHT.
GEO. E. PERLEY.
P. H. LAMB.
E. E. SHARP.
A. H. COSTAIN.
D. W. MORROW.
LESLIE WELTER.
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RALPH PEDERSON.
M. T. WEUM.
C. A. BALLARD.
EDWIN ADAMS.
S. G. COMSTOCK.