

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ANOKA, MINNESOTA

FRAMED AND ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 36 OF ARTICLE 4 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, AND SECTIONS 1265 TO 1310, INCLUSIVE, REVISED LAWS OF 1925, AND THE ACTS SUPPLEMENTAL THERETO AND AMENDATORY THEREOF.

AMENDMENT NO. 1

That Section 6 of Chapter IV of the Charter be amended to read as follows: All municipal elections, whether general or special, shall commence at eight o'clock A. M. and hold open until eight o'clock P. M. on the same day, and the places of election shall be open, and the Judges and Clerks of Election shall be present thereat, ready to receive the ballots of electors, during all of said time.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

That Sections 1 & 3 of Chapter VII of the Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Subject to the qualifications and restrictions herein otherwise provided, the executive and administrative powers of the City are hereby distributed among and assigned to six (6) departments, as follows:

1. Department of Public Health and Sanitation, Police and General Welfare.
2. Department of Accounts and Finance.
3. Department of Buildings and Fire Protection.
4. Department of Water Works and Lights.
5. Department of Streets, Alleys, Bridges and Sewers.
6. Department of Parks and Public Grounds, the members thereof to be appointed as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. The Mayor shall be Superintendent of the Department of Public Health, Sanitation, Police and General Welfare; and the Commission shall, at the first regular meeting after the election of its members, designate, by a majority vote, one of the Commissioners to be Superintendent of the Department of Accounts and Finance; one to be Superintendent of the Department of Buildings and Fire Protection; one to be Superintendent of the Department of Water Works and Lights; one to be Superintendent of the Department of Streets, Alleys, Bridges and Sewers; and such designations may be changed whenever it appears that the public service would be benefited thereby. Provided, no Superintendent of any of the Departments of the City shall have any power to contract debts, to bind the City, or to make any improvements in said City, unless authorized by a majority vote of the Commission.

Section 3a. The Department of Parks and Public Grounds shall be under the control and supervision of a commission of six (6), called the Park Commission, the members of which shall be appointed by the City Commission. When first created, two (2) shall be appointed for the term of one (1) year, two (2) for the term of two (2) years, and two (2) for the term of three (3) years. There shall be appointed in the same manner each year thereafter two (2) members of said commission whose term of office shall be for three (3) years, and each of said members shall hold his office until his successor is appointed and qualified. In the event of a vacancy, it may be filled in like manner for the unexpired term. The term for which each appointment aforesaid is made shall expire on the first Tuesday in June of each respective year.

property acquired for or used in connection with any water and light plant of the City; also the proceeds of all special assessments levied on account of or in connection with such water and light plant; also such amounts as may from time to time be realized from the sale of bonds issued on account of such plant; also all moneys received from the sale of such plant, including water and light rentals and penalties.

Any surplus in the Water and Light Fund in excess of the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) may be paid into any of the other funds hereinbefore mentioned in such proportions and in such amounts as the commission may from time to time determine, except that no more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be paid into the general fund in any one (1) fiscal year.

Eleventh: A Water and Light Sinking Fund to provide for a water and light system. There shall be set aside each year from the surplus of the water and light earnings at least the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), to the Water and Light Sinking Fund until the sum hereinafter mentioned is reached. This fund shall never at any one time exceed the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), and any surplus in the way of interest or other earnings thereon shall be paid and distributed in the same manner with the same restrictions as hereinbefore provided in relation to the surplus of the water and light fund. Said fund is to be used for permanent improvements of the water and light system, replacements in case of emergency or acquiring a new plant. In event all or any part of such fund be used for the purposes aforesaid, such fund shall be reimbursed in like manner as hereinbefore provided out of the surplus earnings of the water and light system.

Provided, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the Commission from borrowing from the General Fund to aid and help any other fund at such time as in its judgment public necessities require, but the Commission shall have no power to borrow from any fund except the General Fund. If any sum is borrowed from the General Fund as aforesaid, it shall be returned not later than during the next fiscal year.

Moneys, (1) in the city treasury at the time this Charter goes into effect, (2) to be collected from taxes levied before this Charter goes into effect, shall so far as practicable be divided among the several funds hereby established, and where such subdivision is not practicable, shall be kept in the General Fund. The Commission, by resolution, shall provide for such subdivision in accordance with the directions herein contained.

From the General Fund the Commission may, in every year, by resolution, appropriate a sum not to exceed Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) for contingent expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the Mayor in the detection and prevention of crime in the city.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

That Section 1 of Part I, Sub-Chapter II of Chapter XI be amended to read as follows: The City is hereby authorized to improve, grade, pave, repave, curb, gutter, wall, bridge, gravel, macadamize, sprinkle, plank, sweep or repair any street, avenue, alley or highway; to grade, improve, protect and ornament any public park, square or grounds; to construct, improve and ornament parkways and grass plats; to plant and protect shade and ornamental trees along its streets and avenues; to construct, lay, relay, and repair sidewalks, retaining walls, gutters, sewers, drains, in, over and under any street, alley or highway; to abate nuisances, to drain marshes, swamps and low grounds within the city when they constitute a nuisance; and the whole or any part of the expense of such improvement may be, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, defrayed by an assessment upon the real estate benefited thereby, in proportion to such benefits, without regard to cash valuation, to be determined and levied in the manner hereinafter provided.

authorized to be taken by the Commission shall be by resolution or ordinance.

Section 2. The Commission, in the first instance, shall, on its own motion, or may on the recommendation or report of any Department or officer of the City, determine in a general way the commodities, labor or service to be done or furnished, and shall estimate the cost thereof, and in order to determine such estimated cost, may require estimates from any officer or employee of the City.

In case such estimated cost does not exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), the Commission may direct that the commodities, labor or services be procured by or through the proper Department or officer of the City, without public bids.

In all cases where such estimated cost exceeds the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), said commodities or service shall only be furnished or done upon public bids.

Section 9. Every person to whom a contract is awarded for an amount exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), shall give bond, in such sum as the Commission may direct, and with such sureties as it may approve, for the faithful performance of such contract.

In all cases of contracts coming within the purview of Sections 4535 to 4539, inclusive, of the Revised Laws of 1905, of the State of Minnesota, and the amendments thereof, it shall require such bonds as are required by such laws.

State of Minnesota, County of Anoka, City of Anoka—ss.

The foregoing proposed amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the City of Anoka, are hereby submitted for adoption by the qualified voters of the City of Anoka, in the County of Anoka and State of Minnesota, at the Special City Election to be held in said City on the 29th day of October, 1929.

Dated this 16th day of September, 1929.

By order of the City Commission,
H. W. PLUMMER,
City Clerk.

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city of Anoka taxable under the laws of the State shall be subject to taxation for the support of the city government and the payment of its debts and liabilities, and the same shall be assessed as provided for by law and this Charter.

There shall be maintained in the city treasury the following funds, and the Commission, by a three-fifths vote of its members may levy an annual tax upon all taxable property in the city for the support of such funds, and the purposes following, that is to say:

First: An Interest Fund, for which there shall be levied a sum sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest to become due during the next fiscal year upon the indebtedness of the City. Out of such fund, interest only shall be paid.

Second: A Sinking Fund, to provide for the payment, when due, of bonds and other funded debt of the City. For maintenance of this Fund there shall be levied, if necessary, an annual tax of five (5) mills, or as much thereof as may be necessary, on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property in the city. This fund shall be applied only to the payment of the principal of bonds issued by the City.

Third: A Fire Department Fund, to provide for the maintenance of the Fire Department.

Fourth: A Road and Bridge Fund, to provide for the Engineering Department, the cleaning and repairing of streets, sewers, sidewalks, crosswalks and bridges.

Fifth: A Salary Fund, to provide for the payment of the salaries of the city officers and clerks, and otherwise provided for, but which may be authorized by law.

Sixth: A Library Fund, to provide for the support of the Public Library.

Seventh: A Cemetery Fund, to provide for the support of the city cemetery or cemeteries.

Eighth: A General Fund, to provide for all current and incidental expenses of the city, and against the City not otherwise provided for, and such other disbursements as may be authorized by law. There shall be paid into this fund all moneys received from any source save when received for a specific use and purpose.

Ninth: A Permanent Improvement Revolving Fund for the purpose of providing money for paying for that portion of local improvements, under the provisions of this Charter, for which assessments may be levied, but it shall not be supported by taxation. There shall be paid into it all moneys received from any special assessments levied under this Charter for local improvements, and also such amounts as may be realized from the sale of bonds, warrants or certificates, authorized therefor in this Charter.

Tenth: A Water and Light Fund, to provide for the support and maintenance of any plant owned or operated by the City for furnishing to the City and its inhabitants water and light, and of paying the cost of the purchase, construction, extension, operation, maintenance and repair of such water and light plant.

This fund shall not be maintained by taxation, but there shall be paid into it all moneys derived from the sale of any

Section 19. In all cases where an election to pay any assessment in installments, as provided by Section 16 of Part II of this Sub-Chapter, shall have been made and filed in the office of the City Treasurer, and the first installment paid as therein required, the City Treasurer shall cause a statement of the amount of the remaining installments and the time when each of them is to be due, the property on which the same are made and the names of the respective owners thereof, if known, to be certified to the City Clerk within thirty (30) days after said election. It shall be the duty of said City Clerk to thereupon make a record thereof, and, upon application therefor by any person, to issue a certificate as to special taxes or assessments on any given tract upon payment of a fee of twenty-five cents (\$25) for each tract covered by said certificate, which said fees shall be paid into the City Treasury. It shall be the duty of the City Treasurer to collect each of said annual installments, together with interest on current and all future installments, on June first of the year when said installment is due and payable.

Installments Not Paid When Due.

Section 22. If any installment and interest is not paid when due on the first day of June of each year, together with interest to that time on all future installments of the same assessment, the City Treasurer shall add a penalty of ten per cent to the total amount thus delinquent, and certify the same to the City Clerk as a special tax on said property. The City Clerk shall thereupon certify the same to the Auditor of Anoka County in the same manner and at the same time as in cases of other delinquent assessments. The County Auditor, upon receipt thereof, shall enter and carry out the same upon the proper tax duplicates of the county in the same manner as in other cases of unpaid assessments certified to him under the provisions of this Charter, and the same shall thereupon be collected and payment thereof enforced the same as other taxes on real estate are collected and enforced, and when collected, together with any penalties and interest on the same, be paid over to the City Treasurer.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

That Sections 1, 2 and 9 of Chapter XIV be amended to read as follows: Section 1. All contracts for commodities or services to be furnished or performed for the City, or any Department thereof, involving an expenditure of more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), shall be made as in this Charter provided, and not otherwise.

The words "Commodities" and "Services," as used in this Chapter, shall be construed to include all labor, materials or other property, and the lighting and other service and all local or public improvements.

The word "contract," as used in this Chapter, shall be construed to include every agreement, in writing or otherwise, by which any commodities, labor or service are to be furnished to or done for the City, and every transaction whereby an expenditure is made or incurred on the part of the City, or any Department or officer thereof.

All action in this Chapter required or

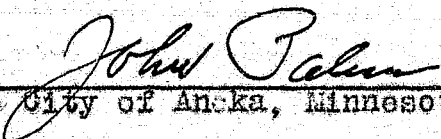
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STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF ANOKA) SS.
CITY OF ANOKA)

I, John Palmer, Mayor of the City of Anoka, in the County of Anoka, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify the annexed and foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the amendments to the City Charter of the City of Anoka, duly proposed by the Board of Freeholders appointed by the Judge of the District Court of the Eighteenth Judicial District of the State of Minnesota, pursuant to Section 36 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, and Sections 1265 to 1310, inclusive, revised laws of 1923, and acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

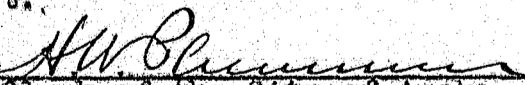
I do further certify that said amendments were ratified by a favorable vote of more than three-fifths (3/5) of the qualified voters of said city, voting at a special election called for that purpose on the 29th day of October A. D. 1929 at which said amendments were duly submitted.

Given under my hand and the co-operate seal of said City of Anoka, at Anoka, Minnesota, this 4th day of November A. D. 1929.



Mayor of the City of Anoka, Minnesota

Attest:



City Clerk of the City of Anoka, Minnesota

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Secretary of State