

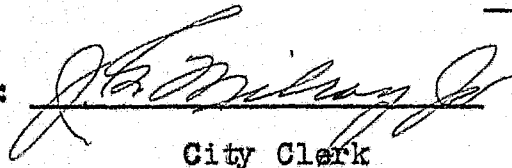
CERTIFICATE OF RATIFICATION OF  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE  
CITY OF VIRGINIA, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

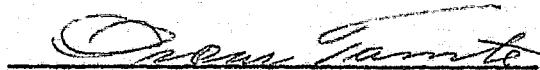
I, Oscar Tante, as Mayor of the City of Virginia, St. Louis County, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the three proposed amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the City of Virginia hereto attached and hereby made a part hereof, as drafted by the Charter Commission of said city were, after being duly published according to law, submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Virginia at a special charter amendment election held in said city on the 26th day of May, 1936, pursuant to notice of such election as required by law; that at said special election the hereto attached amendment described as Chapter 10-A, relating to hospitals, received 1427 affirmative votes and 155 negative votes; that the amendment hereto attached described as an amendment to Section 63, Chapter 4 of the City Charter relating to the assessor received 1290 affirmative votes and 261 negative votes; that the amendment hereto attached designated as an amendment to Section 348, relating to music, received 1022 affirmative votes and 530 negative votes; that the total votes cast at said special election were 1608; that following the canvass of said votes as required by law, the City Council of the City of Virginia duly adopted on May 29, 1936 a resolution declaring said charter amendments duly adopted; that said resolution was presented to the Mayor of said city on May 30th and approved and returned by the Mayor of said City on June 5, 1936, whereupon said resolution was duly published according to law.

That this certificate is made pursuant to the constitution of the State of Minnesota and the statutes in such case made and provided.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto affixed my signature and the corporate seal of the City of Virginia this 6th day of June, 1936.

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk



Mayor

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**AMENDMENT TO THE  
The Charter of the City of Virginia  
is amended by adding after Chap-  
ter Ten the following chapter:**

**CHAPTER TEN A  
HOSPITALS**

**SECTION 200 A. HOSPITAL COMMISSION—APPOINTMENT.** There is hereby created a board to be known as the "Hospital Commission," which will be referred to in this chapter as the "commission." It shall consist of five members who shall be free-holders and legal voters of the City of Virginia and who shall serve without compensation. No member shall be a practicing physician or surgeon. All appointments to the commission shall be made by the mayor of the City of Virginia, subject to the approval of the city council, which shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of all of its members. The commissioners to be appointed in the year 1936 shall be appointed forthwith after this chapter of the charter becomes effective and shall hold office for respective terms, one of which expires on April 30th of each of the years 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940 and 1941 as the mayor shall designate when making such appointments. After the year 1936 an appointment of one commissioner shall be made in April of each year for a term of five years commencing on May 1st of the year in which such appointment is made. All such commissioners shall hold office until their respective successors are appointed and qualified. A vacancy in the office of commissioner shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, but only for the unexpired term.

**SECTION 200 B. MEETINGS AND OFFICERS.** This commission at its first organization meeting in the year 1936, and in each year thereafter at its first regular meeting in May or at any earlier special meeting in May called for that purpose shall elect from its members a president, vice-president and secretary. The president shall preside at all meetings of the commission and in case of his absence from such meeting the vice-president shall preside. The president and secretary shall sign all contracts, orders and other documents to be executed on behalf of the commission. In the absence of the president from the city or in case of his disability for any reason to discharge his duties the vice-president shall for the time being exercise all the powers of the president. The president, vice-president and secretary shall have such other duties as the commission may prescribe and shall hold their offices until May 1st of the year following their appointment and thereafter while commissioners, until their successors are elected and qualified. A vacancy in the office of president, vice-president or secretary shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, but only for the unexpired term. The treasurer of the City of Virginia shall act ex-officio as the treasurer of said commission but shall not be a member thereof.

**SECTION 200 C. POWERS.** Generally the commission shall have charge of the administration, maintenance and control of all hospitals now or hereafter owned by the City of Virginia and which, at the time of the adoption of this chapter of the charter, consist of the Detention Hospital and the recently constructed general hospital called the "Municipal Hospital." This general power shall not be considered to have been limited by enumeration of specific powers in this chapter. The commission shall have power: to hire a superintendent of hospitals and all other necessary employees; to fix and pay their compensation; to reimburse officers and employees for expenses necessarily paid or incurred in performance of their duties; to require a bond of any officer or employee and pay the premium thereon; to effect all necessary insurance; to make repairs of the hospital buildings and their contents; to purchase all necessary equipment, apparatus, supplies and things; to maintain petty cash funds; to receive and to accept according to their terms all donations for hospital purposes; to establish such committees as it may see fit; and to make rules relating to its own procedure and to the administration, maintenance and control of such hospitals. Non-resident patients may be hospitalized in such cases as the commission may by its rules prescribe. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to vest any power in the commission to construct any additional hospitals or additions to hospitals, or appurtenant structures, such powers to be in the city council; provided, however, that the commission may out of accumulated funds of the Municipal Hospital with the approval of the city council construct additions, appurtenant structures or other improvements to the Municipal Hospital.

**SECTION 200 D. POWERS—Continued.** Subject to such limitations

as may be prescribed by rules the Municipal Hospital shall be operated primarily as a general hospital, and the commission shall from time to time establish and provide for the collection of suitable charges for the use of the Municipal Hospital and its facilities. In fixing such charges and in all other business practices the commission shall have in mind this purpose: that the Municipal Hospital shall be self sustaining in so far as proper business practices can make it so. To accomplish that purpose the commission among other business practices may provide for advance payments and the furnishing of security. The Detention Hospital shall be operated primarily for the purpose of hospitalizing persons afflicted with those communicable diseases designated by the rules of the commission for such hospitalization. The commission shall from time to time establish and provide for the collection of such charges for the use of the Detention Hospital and its facilities as may be reasonable and proper and shall provide by rule for the procedure to be followed in securing reimbursement from the county or otherwise as the law permits for the hospitalization of indigent cases at the Detention Hospital. When requested by the commission it shall be the duty of the city attorney to take charge of the collection of any account of either hospital and also when so requested to institute legal proceedings for that purpose. The commission shall keep records of its own proceedings and suitable books showing all receipts, disbursements, and business transactions of each hospital as the financial affairs of each are intended to be separate. A copy of the minutes of each meeting of the commission shall promptly after their approval be filed with the city clerk.

**SECTION 200 E. MONEY—FUNDS—ADDITIONAL POWERS.** In addition to the funds provided by Chapter Seven of the charter to be maintained in the treasury there shall also be maintained therein, while the operation of said hospitals is continued, a detention hospital fund and a municipal hospital fund. All earnings of such hospitals and contributions thereto and taxes and other revenues for hospital purposes shall be paid into the proper hospital fund. The council shall make an annual levy for the detention hospital fund and may make an annual levy for the municipal hospital fund, in such amounts as it deems advisable having in mind all needs of the city and the limitations on taxing power. The commission shall have control of both of said hospital funds which shall be paid out by the city treasurer upon orders specifying the fund on which drawn, the payee and the amount and purpose thereof and signed by the president and secretary. No such order shall be issued except when authorized by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members of the commission. The city council, treasurer and clerk shall transfer from the general fund to said two hospital funds the amounts which should be so transferred during the fiscal year commencing April 1st, 1936, having in mind the items in the tax levy board resolution of 1935 intended for the support of each hospital, the levy based on said resolution, and the provisions of this chapter.

**SECTION 200 F. LIMITATIONS ON POWERS.** No purchase of equipment, supplies or other things shall be made by the commission except upon advertisement for bids pursuant to charter provisions and laws applicable to purchases by the city council where such advertisement is required; provided, however, that any such purchases may be made without such advertisement if the cost thereof is not over \$500.00. Where advertisement for bids is made, the contract, if let, shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder. This chapter shall be construed as a part of the city charter affected by other applicable provisions but in applying the debt limitation in Section 140 of the charter to this chapter, the cash on hand in each hospital fund shall be considered as an asset.

**SECTION 200 G. HEALTH OFFICER.** The health officer shall attend all regular meetings and special meetings of the commission at which his presence is requested by the commission. He shall advise the commission concerning all matters on which his opinion is requested and cooperate with the commission to coordinate its work with that of the board of health.

**SECTION 200 H. EFFECTIVE DATE—REPEALS.** This chapter shall take effect as a part of the city charter on the 15th day after the date of the election at which it is adopted. All provisions of the charter inconsistent with this chapter are repealed in so far as they affect this chapter.

MAY 26, 1936

**AMENDMENT TO THE  
CHARTER OF THE CITY OF  
VIRGINIA  
RELATING TO THE ASSESSOR  
To the Mayor and City Council of  
the City of Virginia, Minnesota.**

Section 63 in Chapter Four of the City Charter is amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 63. COMPENSATION.** The assessor shall receive such compensation as may be fixed annually by the council not to exceed One Thousand Dollars per year. The deputy assessors and clerks shall receive such compensation as may be determined by the council. Each member of the board of equalization shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of Three Dollars per day for the actual time necessarily employed.

MAY 26, 1936

**AMENDMENT TO THE  
CHARTER OF THE CITY OF  
VIRGINIA  
RELATING TO MUSIC**

Section 348 in Chapter Fifteen of the City Charter is amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 348. MUSIC.** In addition to the items—band director \$2,280 and music fund \$3,500—mentioned in the 1935 tax levy board resolution, the city council may during the fiscal year in which this charter amendment is adopted also appropriate from any moneys in the general fund not required for other purposes an amount not to exceed Twelve Hundred Dollars for the purposes mentioned in the next sentence. After the fiscal year in which this amended section is adopted the city council is authorized during each fiscal year to appropriate from the revenues of the city in the general fund Seven Thousand Dollars, or such part thereof as it may deem advisable for the encouragement and support of one or more musical bands of the city, and to provide for concerts for the general public of the city. Such moneys shall be paid out only in such manner and under such conditions as may be prescribed by the city council.

MAY 26, 1936