

C H A P. 59

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Quebec

[Assented to 22nd December, 1916]

WHEREAS the city of Quebec, has, by its petition, Preamble.
represented that it is in the interest of the rate-payers and of the proper administration of its affairs, that the acts incorporating it be amended as hereinafter set forth, and that additional powers be granted it;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The city of Quebec is hereby authorized to borrow the following amounts, to wit: Certain loans authorized.

a. Three hundred and fifty-seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-two dollars and forty-five cents, for the purpose of reimbursing to the bank of Montreal a like amount drawn for the purposes mentioned in Schedule A;

b. One hundred thousand dollars for permanent works on the exhibition grounds;

c. Fifty thousand dollars for permanent sidewalks;

d. Two hundred and thirty thousand dollars for permanent works in the city, thirty thousand dollars being for the extension of Lockwell street;

e. Fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty-six dollars and two cents, for expenses occasioned by the war;

f. Twenty thousand dollars as a subscription to the Patriotic Fund;

g. Three thousand dollars as a subscription to the Louis Hébert monument;

h. Five thousand dollars, which shall be paid to the Quebec Citizens' Recruiting Association in aid of military recruiting.

2. For effecting such loan the city may declare, by resolution, that such loan shall be repayable within a short term of not less than two years nor more than fifteen years, and at such rate of interest as the council may determine, and with a sinking-fund of not less than two per cent per annum. How loan may be made.

3. In addition to the method of borrowing mentioned in section 2, the city is authorized, for the purpose of Bonds or inscribed stock.

effecting such loan, to issue bonds or certificates of inscribed stock, as it may deem necessary, for the objects above mentioned; such bonds or stock certificates shall be for such amounts as the city may deem advisable, and shall be repayable within a period of not more than fifty years from their date, with interest at a rate of not more than five per cent per annum, not including the cost of the loan and discount.

Provision
for payment
thereof.

4. The city shall provide for the payment of the bonds or inscribed stock certificates, the issue whereof is authorized by section 3, either by paying on the capital of the said bonds or inscribed stock certificates, half-yearly or every year, at its option, a sufficient amount so that the capital will be paid up at the maturity of each bond or certificate, or by establishing a sinking-fund in such manner as it may deem advisable; such sinking-fund shall not be used for any other purpose than the payment of such bonds or inscribed stock.

9 Ed. VII, c. 80, s. 8, re-
placed.

5. Section 8 of the act 9 Edward VII, chapter 80, is replaced by the following:

Garbage
removal.

“8. The city council may adopt measures for the removal of garbage by the city. Such measures may apply to parts only of the city or to the whole city, and the council may make such contracts as may be deemed to be to the advantage of the inhabitants of the city, with any individual for such purpose, and may levy a special tax to pay the cost of such removal.

The council shall further have power to have such removal of garbage done by means of a franchise granted for the purpose to any individual or company, at such rates and on such conditions and for such period as it may deem advisable to establish, by a by-law enacting that such removal shall be obligatory either throughout the whole city or only in certain parts thereof.”

Tax on
carters.

6. The city is authorized to impose a tax on any person acting as a carter in the city.

29-30 Vict.,
c. 57, s. 11,
par. 7, re-
placed.

7. Paragraph 7 of section 11 of the act 29-30 Victoria, chapter 57, is replaced by the following:

“7. In case a defendant debtor to the corporation for assessments, taxes or other municipal dues does not possess in the city of Quebec any moveables, or if he does not possess sufficient moveable property for the payment of the debt and the costs, or of any portion of the debt and costs which may be due, then if such defendant possesses any

real estate, lands and tenements in the district of Quebec or in any other district in the Province of Quebec, a writ *de terris* for the seizure and sale of such real estate, lands and tenements, shall be issued from the Recorder's Court according to law, at the instance of the city treasurer, upon the return of the bailiff charged with the execution of the writ, setting forth the absence or insufficiency of moveable property;"

8. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the city is authorized to order, by by-law, that the width of the roadway of certain streets or parts of streets to be paved shall be limited to thirty feet for wheeled traffic, and that the roadway of certain existing streets or parts of streets shall be narrowed or widened so as to have wide sidewalks and lawns, with trees planted where necessary.

9. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the city may, by resolution of its council, forbid the use of motor vehicles of any street or public road it may consider dangerous.

10. The owners of the immoveables bearing the Nos. 1492, 1493, 1494, 1532, and 1536 of the cadastre of Jacques Cartier ward of the city of Quebec, are authorized to build a structure over Octave-lane for the purpose of communication between their buildings erected and situate on both sides of the said lane.

11. The act 1 George V (second session), chapter 40, shall not apply to the city of Quebec.

12. Notwithstanding any law or by-law to the contrary, the city council shall, from the 1st of March, 1918, consist of the mayor and twelve aldermen, two per ward, who shall remain in office for two years until the election of their successors in office.

For the purpose of the general elections in 1918 and subsequent elections, the city shall be divided into six wards, namely:

Ward No. 1, comprising the present territory of St. Louis, Palace, Champlain and St. Peter wards;

Ward No. 2, comprising the present territory of St. John and Montcalm wards, as far as the middle of De Salaberry street and as far as a straight line extended from the middle of De Salaberry Street to the brow of the hill (*cime du cap*);

Ward No. 3, comprising the present territory of Belvedere ward and that part of St. John and Montcalm wards to the west of the middle of De Salaberry street, and of a

line extended from the middle of De Salaberry street to the brow of the hill (*cime du cap*);

Ward No. 4, comprising the present territory of St. Roch and Jacques-Cartier wards;

Ward No. 5, comprising the present territory of St. Malo, St. Sauveur and St. Valier wards;

Ward No. 6, comprising the present territory of Limoilou ward.

The council shall, by by-law, passed before the 1st September, 1917, give an individual name to each such ward.

Assessment roll, &c.

13. The assessment roll and the voter's list for the financial year 1917-18 shall be prepared in accordance with such new boundaries.

School taxes to be deposited.

14. The school taxes collected by the city shall be deposited in a chartered bank, as they are collected, in a special account opened for the purpose, and shall be withdrawn only to be handed over to the school commission entitled thereto.

By-law ratified.

15. By-law No. 45 of the former town of Montcalm, respecting buildings erected on the Avenue des Braves, is ratified and confirmed for all legal purposes, as well for the proprietors of lots fronting on the said avenue as for the city of Quebec.

Clerk of the Recorder's Court.

16. The clerk of the Recorder's Court shall be *ex officio* a justice of the peace for the district of Quebec.

Coming into force.

17. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

SCHEDULE A

1. Permanent works on roads and water-works	\$73,740.69
2. Purchase of lot Hall Jacques-Cartier....	18,278.55
3. Expenses occasioned by the war.....	12,738.44
4. Patriotic Fund.....	20,000.00
5. Home Guard.....	5,000.00
6. Franco-American Committee.....	5,000.00
7. Monument of the Faith.....	3,000.00
8. Tuberculosis Hospital.....	2,000.00
9. Fire Department.....	3,388.85
10. Overdraft at the bank on April 30, 1915	15,393.51
11. Excess of ordinary expenses for the year 1915-1916.....	176,727.40
12. Amounts withheld.....	19,359.31
13. Bickell Bridge.....	3,345.70

Total..... \$ 357,972.45