



CHAPTER 114.

An Act to amend the "Vancouver Charter."

1953, c. 55; 1953 (2nd
Sess.), c. 47; 1954,
c. 65.

[Assented to 15th March, 1955.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver has presented a petition praying that the "Vancouver Charter" be amended:

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Vancouver Charter Amendment Act, 1955."

Amends s. 56.

2. Section 56 of the "Vancouver Charter," being chapter 55 of the Statutes of 1953, is amended by striking out the words "for at least five days" in the first line.

Further amends s. 56.

3. Section 56 is further amended by striking out the words "a daily newspaper" in the third line, and substituting the words "all daily newspapers."

Amends s. 98.

4. Section 98 is amended by striking out the words "two months" in the fourth and fifth lines, and substituting the words "thirty days."

Enacts s. 161A.

5. Said chapter 55 is further amended by inserting the following as section 161A:—

"161A. Where the Council is of the opinion that certain provisions of a by-law are such as to require, from time to time, immediate or speedy action, it may in the by-law authorize the taking of such action by an employee named therein, and such employee may give effect thereto by a system of permits or otherwise as the by-law directs"

Amends s. 162.

6. Section 162 is amended by inserting immediately after the word "appointment," in the first line of clause (b), the word "suspension," preceded by a comma.

Amends s. 190.

7. Section 190 is amended by striking out all the words after "property" in the sixth line of clause (b), and substituting the following:—

"Provided, however, that:—

"(i) No parcel of real property which exceeds two hundred thousand dollars in value, as certified in writing by the Assessment Commissioner, shall be sold or exchanged; and

"(ii) No lease of real property for a term exceeding thirty years shall be granted,—

unless a by-law has been passed to which the assent of the electors has been obtained."

Re-enacts s. 201.

8. Section 201 is repealed, and the following is substituted:—

"201. The Council may:—

"(a) Temporarily invest any moneys not immediately required to meet the lawful expenditures of the city, in securities of the Government of Canada:

"(b) Authorize the expenditure for any lawful purpose of any balance carried forward from a previous year."

Amends s. 291.

9. Section 291 is amended by inserting immediately after the word "street," in the first line of clause (j), the words "or on any other land without the approval of the owner."

Repeals s. 294

10. Section 294 is repealed.

Amends s. 317

11. Section 317 is amended by striking out clause (s), and substituting the following:—

"(s) For regulating, in respect of any street or class of streets, the gross weight of vehicles with or without loads, the weight on any axle, tire, or wheel, or any combination thereof, the width, length, height of any vehicle or part thereof; the width, length, height, or number of any combination of vehicles; the width, length, height of any load, or vehicle and load combined; the fastening and distribution of loads; the kind, width, size, and inflation of tires or tracks; and, subject to the provisions of the 'Motor-vehicle Act,' the number, kind, size, location, distribution, colour, and brilliance of lights on vehicles; and for delegating to the City Engineer any of the matters referred to herein in respect of any particular vehicle or class of vehicles."

Amends s. 323.

12. Section 323 is amended by adding the following as clause (1):—

"(1) For defining mill-waste, and for regulating the disposal thereof, and for compelling the owners or operators of mills of all kinds to dispose of mill-waste in the manner directed by the by-law."

Amends s. 373.

13. Section 373 is amended by striking out the word "twenty-five" in the fifteenth line, and substituting the word "forty."

Amends s. 483.

14. Section 483 is amended by striking out subsection (3), and substituting the following:—

"(3) A person to whom such notice is delivered, or in or on whose motor-vehicle such notice has been left, may attend voluntarily before a Justice of the Peace as directed in the notice and plead guilty to the offence described in the notice and pay any fine that may be imposed, or such person may cause to be delivered by mail to the Police Court Clerk of the said city such notice together with the requisite fine; the said Police Court Clerk shall thereupon deliver the said notice and the fine to a Justice of the Peace, on behalf of such person, and the said Justice of the Peace may thereupon accept such fine. In either case, the Justice of the Peace shall cause a record thereof to be kept, and the person to whom the notice was directed shall be deemed to be convicted of the said offence, although no conviction need be drawn up or entered by the Justice of the Peace. Upon such a conviction, no further proceedings shall be taken in respect of the said offence."

Re enacts s. 502

15. Section 502 is repealed, and the following is substituted:—

"502. Any part of the cost of a project not so to be levied and collected (hereinafter referred to as 'the city's share of the cost') shall be paid by the city, and the Council may from time to time, by by-law, provide for such payment out of the general revenue of the city, or out of capital funds raised by the issue of debentures upon the general credit of the city at large for the purpose of creating a general fund to provide the city's share of the cost of local improvements either before or after the initiation, commencement, or completion thereof."

Amends s. 562.

16. Section 562 is amended by inserting immediately after the figures "453," in the second line, the words and figures "sections 517 (1) and 518."