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CHARTER AMENDMENTS

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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Board of Election Commissioners.
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS

Charter Amendment No. 1.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held therein on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County, by adding a new section thereto, to be known as Section 10 of Chapter II of Article II, to read as follows:

Section 10. The Board of Supervisors may acquire land in the district bounded by Market street, Golden Gate avenue and Franklin street, for the purpose of establishing a Civic Center and when it appears to the advantage of the City and County so to do it may acquire land in excess of the actual requirements, and may dispose of any such excess in exchange for other lands within such district or for the purpose of acquiring additional lands or for the erection of structures thereon. It may convey to the State of California a parcel of land in such district for the purpose of the erection of a State Building thereon and in consideration therefor may receive from the State any parcel of land in such district now owned by the State; and with the consent of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library and Reading Rooms it may exchange parcels of land with the said Board of Trustees, and upon such exchange said Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to relinquish control of such land as may have been heretofore set apart for its use. It may authorize the erection of an auditorium by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Company, or of an opera house, museum, or other structure, provided the ownership of such structure shall always be vested in the municipality.

Charter Amendment No 2.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

To amend Section 1 of Chapter II of Article II by adding a new subdivision to Section 1, to be numbered 37, to read as follows:

37. The Board of Supervisors shall pass such ordinances governing the use and closing of streets, the erection, use, alteration, demolition and control of buildings and structures of every nature and description; the installation use and control of plumbing, water, gas, steam, sewerage and other pipes and instrumentalities; the use and control of electric light, power, and other wires, conduits, generating, transmitting and other apparatus; the erection and maintenance of steam boilers, steam, gas, and other engines and apparatus; the maintenance and control of fire and police protection, and governing any and every other matter necessary, proper or expedient for the safety, convenience and welfare of the public within that portion of the City and County of San Francisco which has been or may be selected as the site for the holding of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. The provisions hereof, and the ordinances adopted hereunder, shall supersede all conflicting provisions of this Charter, and all conflicting provisions of any ordinance heretofore passed, so far as the same apply to the site herein specified, until the first day of January, 1917; provided, that no ordinance passed by virtue
of any provision herein contained shall be operative outside of the limits of the site hereinabove specified.

To amend Article XIV by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 13, and to read as follows:

Section 13. Notwithstanding anything in this Article contained, the Board of Park Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to transfer to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Company (a corporation organized under the laws of the State of California March 22, 1910) the exclusive possession, use, management and control of Lobos Square, such management, control, possession and use to be for the purposes of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and to terminate not later than one year after the closing of such exposition.

Charter Amendment No. 3.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That Section 1 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Appointment and Removal of Commissioners.

Section 1. The Mayor shall appoint three persons as Civil Service Commissioners, who shall constitute the Civil Service Commission. The persons so appointed shall before taking office, make under oath, and file in the office of the County Clerk, the following declaration: "I am opposed to appointments to the civil service as a reward for political activity, and will execute the duties of Civil Service Commissioner in the spirit of this declaration." The term of one Commissioner shall terminate at twelve o'clock noon, July 1, 1915; the term of another shall terminate at twelve o'clock noon, July 1, 1917, and the term of another shall terminate at twelve o'clock noon, July 1, 1919. On the expiration of the term of any such Commissioner the Mayor shall appoint a successor with like qualifications to serve as a Commissioner for a term of six years. Each of the Commissioners shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars. The Commissioners may be removed from office in the same manner as are elective officers of the City and County, and not otherwise. The Supervisors shall appropriate annually not less than twelve thousand five hundred dollars for the expenses of the Commission, and not less than five thousand dollars additional for the inspection service provided in Section 14 of this Article.

That Section 2 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Classified Service.

Section 2. The Commissioners shall classify, in accordance with duties attached thereto, all places of employment in or under the offices and departments of the City and County, not exempted under Section 11 of this Article, or which may be created hereafter and not specifically exempted by this Charter. The Commissioners may grade, and from time to time regrade, the positions covered by any class, in accordance with salaries and duties, to the end that like salaries shall be paid for like duties. The Commissioners may from time to time provide by rule for the manner in which such positions shall be filled. New positions when created shall be classified, graded and filled in accordance with these provisions. Before any new position is created, the authority creating such position shall secure from the Civil Service Commission the proper designation of such position, and the title of such position shall correspond with the classi-
fications adopted in accordance with the provisions of this section. In other than
the Bureaus of Engineering and Architecture no appointee shall hold a position
carrying a salary above the maximum established for the grade for which he has
qualified except by securing such promotional rating as the Commission shall direct.
Any classification or grading may be amended or abolished by the Commission,
and classes calling for similar qualifications may be consolidated but persons who
have been appointed from any such class shall retain any position lawfully held
thereunder so long as such position is maintained unless removed in accordance with
the provisions of Section 12. The places of employment not exempted shall con-
stitute the classified civil service of the City and County, and no appointment to
any such place shall be made except in accordance with the provisions of this
Article and the rules adopted thereunder by the Civil Service Commission.

That Section 5 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Examinations.

Section 5. The Commissioners shall control all examinations, and may,
whenever an examination is to take place, designate a suitable number of per-
sons, either in or not in the official service of the City and County to be exam-
iners; and if in the official service it shall be a part of their official duty, without
extra compensation, to conduct such examinations as the Commissioners may di-
rect, and to make return and report thereof to the Commissioners. The Commis-
sioners may substitute any other person, whether in or not in such service, in the
place of any one so selected, or may themselves act as such examiners. Applic-
ants for positions in the mechanical trades and occupations may, in the dis-
cretion of the Commission, be rated solely on experience and physical qualifica-
tions, which may be demonstrated by such evidence and in such manner as the Com-
mision may direct; and the applicants may be submitted to such further tests as
the Commission may require. Examination of laborers shall relate only to physi-
cal qualifications and experience, and laborers establishing their fitness shall rank
upon the register in order of priority of application. No question in any exam-
ination shall relate to political or religious opinions or affiliations.

That a new section is hereby added to Article XIII, numbered 7 1/2, to
read as follows:

Provision for the Disabled.

Section 7 1/2. When a civil service employe other than members of the
Police and Fire Departments who has served three years in his position has be-
come incapable through age, accident or other disability of satisfactorily perfor-
mimg the duties of the positions covered by the class in which he has qualified, the
Civil Service Commission may, in its discretion, at the request of the appointing
power, authorize his transfer to another class whose duties are within his ca-
pacity, and may, by a unanimous vote order that he be preferred for appointment to
a designated position; but such position shall be one having a smaller compensa-
tion than the position from which he may be transferred, and the compensation
shall not be increased subsequent to his appointment thereto.

That Section 8 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Promotions, Basis of.

Section 8. The Commissioners shall provide for promotion in the classi-
ified service on the basis of ascertained merit and standing upon examination; and
shall provide, wherever practicable, that vacancies shall be filled by promotion.
All examinations for promotions shall be competitive among such members of the
next lower rank, as established by the Commissioners, as desire to submit themselves
to such examinations. The Commissioners shall submit to the appointing power the names of not exceeding three applicants having the highest rating for each promotion.

That Section 9 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Duty of Heads of Departments.—Candidates Highest on Register.

Section 9. Whenever a position classified under this article is to be filled, the head of the department or office controlling such position shall notify the Commission of that fact, and the Commission shall then certify to the appointing officer the name and address of one or more candidates in the discretion of the Commission, but not exceeding three, standing highest upon the register for the class or grade to which the position belongs. In making certification for employment, sex shall be disregarded, except when some statute, the rules of the Commission, or the appointing power specifies sex. The Commission shall not certify the name of any person who in the judgment of the Commission is not of good moral character, or who has secured a place upon the eligible lists by fraud, concealment of fact, or by violation of the rules of the Commission; and having certified such person shall cancel such certification; and the Commission shall remove the name of any such person from all civil service registers.

That Section 11 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Departments Governed by this Article.

ARTICLE.

Section 11. Subdivision A. The provisions of this article shall apply to the following offices and departments of the City and County, The County Clerk, the Assessor, the Tax Collector, the Sheriff, the Auditor, the Recorder, the Treasurer, the Coroner, the Clerks and Stenographers of the Justices and Police Courts, the Board of Public Works, the Police Department, the Fire Department, the Board of Election Commissioners, the Board of Health, the Department of Electricity, the Board of Supervisors, the Civil Service Commission, and all boards and departments controlling public utilities, but the following deputies, clerks and employees in said offices and departments shall be exempted therefrom: The chief deputy of the County Clerk; the chief deputy and the deputy designated as the cashier of the Assessor; the chief deputy and the cashier of the Tax Collector; four deputies of the Sheriff designated as the Under Sheriff, the chief bookkeeper, the attorney, and the cashier; the Deputy Auditor; the chief deputy of the Recorder; four employees of the Treasurer designated as the cashier, the chief deputy, one assistant deputy designated as Bond Deputy, and one clerk; the chief deputy and the autopsy physician of the Coroner; the City Engineer; the Secretary of the Board of Public Works; the City Architect; the Registrar of the Board of Election Commissioners; the Justices Clerk; the Chief of Police; the Chief Engineer and Secretary of the Fire Department; the Chief of the Department of Electricity; the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors; all physicians appointed by the Board of Health; persons appointed by the Mayor, under the authority of this Charter; the chief deputy and the head of any bureau or department created by this Charter or by ordinance; the Chief Examiner and special examiners appointed by the Civil Service Commission, and persons employed by the Commission to exercise the authority conferred by Section 14 of this Article; the Manager or Superintending head of each public utility; Attorneys and Physicians employed to perform duties included in their profession; persons employed by the Board of Supervisors for temporary service in positions requiring high tech-
nical skill; persons employed in positions having a confidential relation to the head of the department in which the employment is held, but not more than one such position shall be established in any department; persons employed on public works outside the City and County.

Any person who has served in any position in the office of the Assessor, the Coroner, the Recorder, the County Clerk, the Sheriff, the office of the Justices' Clerk, the Board of Supervisors or the Treasurer for a period of one year continuously prior to the approval of this amendment and who shall be actually employed in any of said offices at such time is hereby declared to be appointed within the provisions of Article XIII of this Charter to the position to which he may be assigned and shall be entitled to all the benefits of said Article thereafter.

Preference for Qualified Employees.

Subdivision B. The following persons securing standing on the eligible lists in examinations shall be preferred for appointment:

1. Persons employed in the operating service of the Geary Street Park and Ocean Railroad Company on May 5, 1912, such preference to be solely for employment in the municipal railroad service;

2. Persons employed in the operating service of any public utility acquired by the City who have been so employed for not less than one year, and such persons so employed at the time a public utility is acquired by the City shall continue in their positions.

All officers, courts, boards or heads of departments vested in this Charter with the power to appoint deputies, clerks, stenographers or other employees of any designation whatsoever shall make appointments only in accordance with the provisions of this Article and the rules adopted thereunder, and any appointment not so made shall be void.

That Section 12 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Dismissals for Cause Only—Trials and Suspensions.

Section 12. No person employed in the classified civil service shall be removed or discharged except for cause, upon written charges, and after an opportunity to be heard in his own defense. Pending the hearing of such charges, the appointing officer or department may suspend the person so accused, but such suspension shall not be valid for more than thirty days upon any charge unless the hearing thereon shall be delayed beyond such time by the act of the person so accused.

When such charges are filed with the appointing officer or officers of the department in which the employee serves, such officers shall publicly hear and determine such charges. The finding of such officers shall be final unless, within a period of thirty days therefrom, the employee so tried appeals to the Civil Service Commission against such finding. The appeal must be in writing, and must briefly state the reasons upon which it is based. The Commission may confirm the finding, or may require the officer to present in writing the grounds for discharge or dismissal, and may require the submission of additional evidence; and may thereupon make such order as it deems just. The order or decision of the Civil Service Commission upon such appeal shall be final, and shall forthwith be enforced by the appointing officers. If the Civil Service Commission shall reverse or alter the finding of the appointing officer, it may, in its discretion, order that the employee affected shall be paid his salary from the time of his discharge or suspension.
The Civil Service Commission may hear and determine charges filed by any citizen, or by the authorized agents of the Commission acting under the power conferred by Section 14 of this Article, when the appointing power neglects or refuses to act.

The appointing officer or officers of a department may, for disciplinary or penal purposes, suspend a subordinate for a period not exceeding thirty days, and such suspension shall carry with it the loss of salary for the period of suspension.

Removal or discharge for cause may be upon any of the following grounds: Incompetence, habitual intemperance; immoral conduct; insubordination; discourteous treatment of the public; inattention to duties.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons employed in the operating department of any public utility.

That Section 17 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Supplies and Employees.**

Section 17. The Supervisors shall furnish the Commission with suitable offices, office furniture, books, stationery, blanks, heat and light, and shall provide for the payment of such other expenses as may be necessarily incurred in carrying out the provisions of this article. The compensation of special examiners employed under Section 5 and of the investigators employed to perform the duties set forth in Section 14 shall be fixed by the Commission. The Commission may employ such permanent assistants as may be necessary, at such salaries as the Supervisors may fix upon the recommendation of the Commission. The compensation and salaries herein provided for shall be paid out of the appropriations specified in Section 1.

That Section 19 of Article XIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Verification of Pay-Rolls.**

Section 19. The pay-rolls or demands for salaries, wages or compensation of all deputies, assistants, clerks and employees of every class or description, without regard to the name or title by which they are known, for each department, board, office or bureau subject to the provisions of this article, shall be transmitted to the Civil Service Commission before presentation to the Auditor. The Commission shall examine said pay-rolls or demands and shall approve the demands of all persons appointed or employed in accordance with the provisions of this article. The pay-rolls or demands thus approved, with notation of any item thereof disapproved, shall be then certified by the Commission and transmitted by it to the Auditor. The Auditor shall not approve and the Treasurer shall not pay any demand or warrant for salary, wages or compensation unless said demand shall have been approved by the Civil Service Commission.

Schedule.

This amendment shall take effect upon its ratification by the Legislature; provided that the provisions of Section 1 with respect to the appointment of Civil Service Commissioners shall take effect on the dates specified as follows: The term of the successor to the Commissioner whose term expires January 8, 1913, shall expire July 1, 1915; the successor to the Commissioner whose term expires January 8, 1914, shall be appointed for the term ending July 1, 1917, and the successor to the Commissioner whose term expires January 8, 1915, shall be appointed for the term ending July 1, 1919.

*Charter Amendment No. 4.*

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be
held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 1 of Chapter IV of Article IV of the Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There shall be an Assessor of the City and County who shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and who must have been such for at least five years next preceding such time. He shall be elected by the people and hold office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of eight thousand dollars, which shall be in full compensation for all his services. He may appoint a chief deputy who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars; one deputy who shall be designated to act as cashier, who shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; eight deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; eighteen deputies who shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars, and during four months of the year, not more than one hundred deputies who shall each be paid at the rate of not more than one hundred dollars a month during the time of their employment.

That Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter VI of Article IV of the Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Coroner of the City and County who shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and who must have been such for at least five years next preceding such election. He shall be elected by the people and hold office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars. He shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by law or ordinance. He shall have the control and management of the morgue of the City and County under such ordinances as the Supervisors may adopt.

Section 2. He may appoint an Autopsy Physician who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars, a chief deputy who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars, one deputy who shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, eight deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, two deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars, and one deputy who shall receive an annual salary of nine hundred dollars.

That Section 1 of Chapter VII of Article IV of the Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Recorder of the City and County who shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and who must have been such for at least five years next preceding such election. He shall be elected by the people and shall hold office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars. He may appoint a chief deputy, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars; five deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, and one of whom shall be designated to act as cashier; ten deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, one of whom shall be designated to act as machinist, and one deputy who shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars. He may also appoint as many deputies to act as copyists as he may deem necessary, who shall each receive not more than six cents for each one hundred words actually written, but no such deputy shall be paid a greater compensation at this rate than amounts in the aggregate to one hundred and twenty-five dollars a month.

That Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter V of Article V of the Charter be amended to read as follows:
Section 1. The County Clerk shall be elected by the people and shall hold office for four years. He shall have all the powers conferred and shall perform all the duties imposed upon the County Clerks of counties by the general laws of the State and in addition thereto shall attend and act as Clerk of the Police Court, keep the dockets and registers thereof and take charge of and safely keep all books, papers and records which may be filed or deposited in his office pertaining to the Police Court. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars.

Section 2. To aid him in the discharge of his official duties the County Clerk may appoint a chief deputy who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars; one deputy who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars and who shall be designated to act as Chief Register Clerk; six deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; thirty deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars; and thirty-eight deputies who shall each receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars.

That Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter VI of Article V of the Charter be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The Sheriff shall be elected by the people, and he shall hold office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of eight thousand dollars, which shall be in full compensation for all official services required of him by law; but said salary shall be exclusive of the compensation received by him from the State for the delivery of prisoners to the State prisons, and insane persons to the State asylums for the insane. He shall have all the powers conferred, and shall discharge all the duties imposed upon the Sheriffs of counties by the general laws of this State.

Section 2. He may appoint the following deputies who shall each respectively receive the following annual salaries: One deputy designated to act as under sheriff and one designated to act as cashier, each twenty-four hundred dollars; one deputy designated to act as bookkeeper; one designated to act as attorney, one designated to act as Superintendent of Jails, and one designated to act as Chief Jailer, each eighteen hundred dollars, seventeen deputies, each fifteen hundred dollars, twenty-nine deputies, each twelve hundred dollars, twelve deputies, each nine hundred dollars, one of whom shall be designated to act as Matron, and another of whom shall be designated to act as stenographer, twenty-two deputies designated as guards, each six hundred dollars.

That Article XVI of the Charter be amended by adding a new section designated as Section 42, and to read as follows:

Section 42. It is hereby expressly provided that all amendments to the Charter submitted and adopted concurrently herewith that increase the compensation of any officer, shall not take effect until the expiration of the present term of such officer, or that increase the compensation of any employe shall not take effect until July 1, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 5.

A petition has been filed with the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the said Board being the legislative authority of said City and County, which petition is signed by more than fifteen per cent of the qualified voters of said City and County, petitioning said legislative authority to submit to the qualified voters of said City and County the following proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County: now, therefore,
The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution of the State of California, hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That Section One of Chapter IV of Article IX be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Each Fire Engine Company shall be composed of one Captain, two Lieutenants, two Engineers, two Drivers, two Stokers and seven Hosemen. Each Truck Company shall be composed of one Captain, two Lieutenants, two Drivers, two Tillermen and eleven Truckmen. Each Combination Chemical Company shall be composed of one Captain, two Lieutenants, two Drivers and seven Hosemen. Each Chemical Company shall be composed of one Captain, one Lieutenant, two Drivers and four Hosemen. Each Water Tower Company shall be composed of one Captain, one Lieutenant, two Drivers and four Hosemen. Each Fire Boat Company shall be composed of one Captain, two Lieutenants, two Pilots, four Engineers, four Firemen and fifteen Hosemen. Each Monitor Battery shall have two Drivers.
The foregoing Section as amended shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of July, 1913.

That Chapter IV of Article IX be amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section two thereof and to read as follows:

Section 2. Each period of twenty-four hours shall be divided into two watches, to-wit: A day watch, from eight o'clock A. M. to six o'clock P. M., and a night watch from six o'clock P. M. to eight o'clock A. M. Officers and members shall change watch at intervals of one week. No officer or member of the Fire Department shall be required to be on duty for two watches consecutively. Between the hours of eight o'clock P. M. and six o'clock A. M. not more than two members at one time shall be required to keep house watch on the apparatus floor of each fire company, and the other members on duty shall be allowed to retire in the dormitory.
The foregoing section shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of July, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 6.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend Article XII of said Charter to read as follows:

ARTICLE XII.

Intention of the People.

It is hereby declared to be the purpose and intention of the people of the City and County that its public utilities shall be gradually acquired and ultimately owned by the City and County. To this end it is hereby ordained:

CHAPTER I.

Acquisition of Public Utilities.

Sections 1 to 16 inclusive of Article XII shall hereafter be known as Chapter 1 of Article XII.
CHAPTER II.

Construction of Public Utilities.

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors is hereby empowered to provide by Ordinance for the acquisition, condemnation or purchase, and the construction and extension, of any public utility; and it is expressly authorized to provide for meeting the cost of such acquisition or construction by any or all of the following methods:

(a) By an issue of bonds; and such issue may be made in the method provided in Chapter I of this Article.

(b) By a special tax levied for the specific purpose of such acquisition, construction or extension, upon all property not exempt from taxation; and such tax may be levied by the Supervisors in excess of the limitation of the tax rate elsewhere provided in this Charter.

(c) By assessment on the property benefited under such procedure as may be provided by Ordinance adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors, but such assessments shall be solely for the purpose of constructing fixed property in streets.

Section 2. The Supervisors are empowered to order the construction of works and properties necessary to extend any existing public utility held under a franchise for the supply of water, heat, gas, electricity or street railroad transportation, telephone or other means of communication, at the cost of the property to be benefited thereby; provided, that such order shall become void if, within thirty days thereafter, protests shall be filed with the Board of Supervisors against such improvement signed by property owners representing not less than one-half of the assessed value of the property to be benefited. The Public Service Commission shall, before the order for the construction of such extension is made, report the necessity therefor to the Board of Supervisors, and as to whether the cost of the operation of such extension may be met by the operating company without reducing the net earnings of the utility below a reasonable return on the investment, from the entire utility, not including such extension. The owner of the existing public utility may be required, on order of the Public Service Commission, to furnish service when such extension is constructed, and to pay a toll or rental, to be determined by the Public Service Commission, proportioned to the income from such service; and such payment shall be not less than the cost of maintenance and renewals. In the case of street railroads, through service over connecting trunk lines, from extensions built by the City and County, may be required by the Public Service Commission, if in its judgment the traffic thereon requires other than shuttle service. The procedure to be followed in assessing and collecting costs of construction shall be that authorized in subdivision (c) of Section 1 of this Chapter. The ownership of all such extensions shall be vested in the municipal government, and, on sixty days notice given by Resolution of the Public Service Commission, the municipality shall have joint or exclusive use of all structures constructed under the authority of this chapter. All payments to the City for the tolls or rentals named above shall be paid into the separate public utility fund provided in Chapter III.

CHAPTER III.

Department of Public Service.

Section 1. There is hereby created a Public Service Commission for the City and County of San Francisco, consisting of three members, to be appointed by the Mayor for a term of six years, provided that those first appointed shall be
named for terms ending at noon July 1st, 1915, July 1st, 1917, and July 1st, 1919, respectively, and shall receive a salary to be fixed by the Supervisors. The Public Service Commission shall provide for and have charge of the construction, extension and operation of all public works for supplying the inhabitants with light, water, power, heat, transportation of passengers or freight, telephone service or other means of communication when established or acquired by the municipality; and of the construction, control and operation of such harbor and water front as now are, or hereafter may be, under control or ownership of the City and County, and of all works there provided for the use of commerce. Said Commission shall exercise control over such other public utilities, and exercise such other powers, as the Board of Supervisors may from time to time, by Ordinance, prescribe, and which are not otherwise conferred by this Charter, and shall also have such other necessary powers as are incidental to the purpose herein expressed. The Public Service Commission is empowered to enter into contracts for construction or for materials and shall have and exercise all powers over public utilities elsewhere conferred by this Charter on the Board of Public Works, and all grants of authority in conflict with this Article are hereby superseded.

Section 2. The Public Service Commission shall have power to employ a Manager for each public utility owned and operated by the municipality, and all necessary assistance in the construction, extension and operation of such utilities, and may fix the compensation of all employes. The Manager and experts in superintending positions requiring high technical skill and persons employed outside the City and County, shall not be subject to the requirements elsewhere provided by this Charter concerning residence or compensation.

The following shall be exempted from the requirements of the classified service:

(a) The Manager of any of the public utilities herein named;
(b) Experts in superintending positions in such utilities requiring high technical skill;
(c) Appointees to positions holding a confidential relation to the Manager of a public utility, but not more than three such appointments shall be made in any public utility without the consent of the Civil Service Commission.

All other employes of the Public Service Commission shall be governed by the provisions of Article XIII of the Charter, except that Section 12 of such article shall not apply to persons employed in the operating department of any public utility.

Section 3. The Commission shall establish rules for the management and regulation of each utility and for the government of their employes, and shall keep a strict account of all receipts and expenses of each such utility in accordance with the provisions of Subdivision 3 of Section 16 of Chapter I of this Article. Appropriations for each public utility shall be made by the Public Service Commission from the earnings of such utility. Appropriations shall be made from time to time from such earnings in the order set forth in Subdivision 1 of Section 16 of Chapter I of this Article; and from such other sources as the Supervisors may provide. All payments to the municipality from any public utility held under a franchise, or from profits of operation of any public utility owned by the City and County shall be kept in a separate fund; and any moneys in such fund shall be used only for the acquisition, construction or extension of the same class of public utility from which such moneys are derived or for the repayment of the bonded debt thereon.
Section 4. The Commission shall, except as otherwise provided by the Board of Supervisors, prescribe and regulate the construction, service and operation of all such public works when owned or operated under a franchise by individuals, firms or corporations, regulate transfers and require equipment, and shall require a strict account of all receipts and expenditures, and may examine and require the production of all books, vouchers and other papers pertaining thereto; all accounts, books and vouchers furnished shall be binding upon the individuals, firms or corporations presenting the same; but the Public Service Commission may require and consider other evidence in making its determination. The Commission shall report not later than the 31st day of March in each year, to the Board of Supervisors, a schedule of rates of charges to be collected for supplying service by the persons, companies or corporations operating any public utility under a franchise, such report to be advisory. The Board of Supervisors shall thereupon before the 31st day of May next following, fix the rates to be collected by such persons, companies or corporations, for such service. Any persons, companies or corporations collecting rates in excess of those so established shall forfeit their franchises. The Commission shall have power to employ necessary expert and other assistance for the purposes herein specified.

Section 5. A Board of Water Construction is hereby created to consist of three members. They shall be named by the Mayor for the term of three years, and shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Water Construction shall construct the works necessary to store and deliver to the City and County of San Francisco the waters of the Tuolumne watershed, usually known as the Hetch Hetchy, Lake Eleanor and Cherry Creek water projects. The said Board of Water Construction shall have power, for such purpose, to acquire land and rights of way by purchase and condemnation; to make any and all contracts for the purchase of material, or for the construction of works necessary or incidental to the purposes herein declared; to control during the term of such construction, the distribution of water and other service to consumers outside the City and County, and to fix the price at which such water, or other service, shall be supplied; and to exercise all other powers necessary or incidental to the purposes herein declared. Said Board shall employ all necessary assistance and shall not be subject, in the employment of persons outside the City and County, to the requirements elsewhere provided by this Charter concerning residence and compensation. The following appointees of the Board of Water Construction shall be exempt from the requirements of the classified service:

(a) Experts in positions requiring high technical skill;
(b) Persons holding high superintending positions;
(c) Persons employed in construction work upon the water system herein named, whose employment is wholly outside the boundaries of the City and County.

Section 6. The Board of Supervisors shall establish penalties for refusal or neglect to obey any lawful order, made under the powers granted in this Chapter in regard to the production of books or papers, the construction or operation of works for the supply of public utility services, or the collection of rates of charges therefor.

Charter Amendment No. 7.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:
That Section 2 of Chapter I of Article XI be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. No member of the Board, nor Registrar, nor Deputy Registrar shall, during his term of office be a member of any convention, the purpose of which is to nominate candidates for office nor hold any other municipal office until one year after he shall cease to be a member of said Board, or to be such Registrar or Deputy Registrar; nor act as officer of any election or primary election; nor take part in any election except to vote, and when acting as Election Commissioner, at which time he shall perform only such official duties as may be required of him by law and by this Charter.

That Section 3 of Chapter I of Article XI be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. The Commission shall organize within ten days after their appointment by choosing one of their number President. In case of failure to agree, he shall be selected by lot. He shall hold office for one year and until his successor is chosen. The Board shall appoint a Registrar of Voters, who shall be Secretary of the Board and shall keep a record of its proceedings and shall execute all orders and enforce all rules and regulations adopted by the Board. The Registrar of Voters shall receive an annual salary of Thirty-six hundred dollars.

That Section 4 of Chapter I of Article XI be amended to read as follows:

Section 4. The Board shall appoint a Chief Deputy Registrar at an annual salary of Twenty-four hundred dollars; a Chief Clerk at an annual salary of Twenty-four hundred dollars; four Deputies at an annual salary of Eighteen hundred dollars each; eight Experienced Clerks at an annual salary of Fifteen hundred dollars each; a Storekeeper-Mechanic at an annual salary of Fifteen hundred dollars; a Stenographer-Typewriter at an annual salary of Twelve hundred dollars; and such extra clerks as may be necessary for the conduct of the department at a salary of One hundred and twenty-five dollars each a month. There shall be no discrimination on account of sex in the salaries paid to employees of the Department.

All persons appointed to positions under the provisions of Section 3, except the Registrar of Voters and 4 of this Chapter and Article shall be subject to the provisions of Article XIII of this Charter; provided that all persons who were on July 1, 1912, employed in the Department of Elections by appointment under the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 1 of Article XI, Article XIII, or Section 35 of Article XVI of this Charter, shall without further Civil Service examination, be appointed respectively to the positions herein provided for, which positions are equivalent to the positions then filled by them.

That a new section be added to Article XVI of the Charter to be known as Section 42, and to read as follows:

Section 42. It is hereby expressly provided that all amendments to the Charter submitted and adopted concurrently herewith that increase the compensation of any officer, shall not take effect until the expiration of the present term of such officer, or that increase the compensation of any employee shall not take effect until July 1st, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 8.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 1 of Chapter III of Article IV be amended to read as follows:
THE TREASURER.

Treasurer—Qualifications, Term, Salary, Appointees, Salaries.

Section 1. There shall be a Treasurer of the City and County who shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and who must have been such for at least five years next preceding such time. He shall be elected by the people, and hold his office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars, which shall be in full compensation for all his services. He may appoint a cashier, who shall receive an annual salary of thirty-six hundred dollars, a chief deputy, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars, a bookkeeper, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars, an assistant bookkeeper, who shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, five assistant deputies, who shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, and one clerk, who shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars.

That Section 1 of Chapter II of Article IV is hereby amended to read as follows:

THE AUDITOR.

Auditor—Qualifications, Term, Salary, Duties.

Section 1. The head of the Finance Department of the City and County shall be designated the Auditor. He shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and must have been such for at least five years next preceding such time. He shall be elected by the people and hold office for four years. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars. The Auditor must always know the exact condition of the treasury and every demand upon it. He shall be in personal attendance at his office daily during office hours. He shall be the general accountant of the City and County, and shall receive and preserve in his office all accounts, books, vouchers, documents and papers relating to the accounts and contracts of the City and County, its debts, revenues and other financial affairs. He shall give information as to the exact condition of the treasury and of every appropriation and fund thereof, upon demand of the Mayor, the Supervisors, or any committee thereof.

That Section 2 of Chapter II of Article IV is hereby amended to read as follows:


Section 2. The Auditor shall appoint a Deputy Auditor, who shall possess the qualifications required of the Auditor and who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars. The Auditor may also appoint two assistant deputies, who shall each receive an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars; and eleven clerks, one of whom shall receive an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars; three, an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars each; five, an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars each, and two, an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars each; one stenographer at an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and one telephone operator at an annual salary of nine hundred dollars. He may employ such number of extra clerks as may be necessary for temporary periods for the lawful discharge of his official duties as required by the Revenue Laws of the State of California. Such extra clerks shall be paid not more than five dollars per diem for the time they shall be actually employed. The Auditor shall be allowed to expend not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars per year for counsel and attorney’s fees.

That Section 1 of Chapter V of Article IV be amended to read as follows:
Section 1. There shall be a Tax Collector of the City and County, who shall be an elector of the City and County at the time of his election and who must have been such for at least five years next preceding such time. He shall be elected by the people and his term of office shall be two years until the eighth day of January in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, and thereafter shall be four years. He shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars, which shall be in full compensation for all his services. He may appoint one Chief Deputy, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars; one Cashier, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars; not to exceed thirty deputies, who shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; and extra clerks, who shall each be paid at the rate of not more than one hundred dollars a month during the time of their employment, but the total amount of payment for such extra clerks shall not exceed ten thousand dollars a year.

That Section 1 of Chapter II of Article V be amended so as to read as follows:

There shall be an attorney and counsellor of the City and County, who shall be styled "City Attorney" and who shall receive an annual salary of seven thousand dollars. He shall be elected by the people and shall hold office for the period of four years. He must be at the time of his election an elector of the City and County and qualified to practice in all the courts of this State and he must have been so qualified for at least ten years next preceding his election, during five years of which time he must have been an actual resident of the City and County. He shall devote his entire time and attention to the duties of his office.

That a new section be added to Article XVI of the Charter to be known as Section 42, and to read as follows:

Section 42. It is hereby expressly provided that all amendments to the Charter submitted and adopted concurrently herewith, that increase the compensation of any officer, shall not take effect until the expiration of the present term of such officer, or that increase the compensation of any employe shall not take effect until July 1st, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 9.

A petition has been filed with the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the said Board being the legislative authority of said City and County, which petition is signed by more than fifteen per cent of the qualified voters of said City and County, petitioning said legislative authority to submit to the qualified voters of said City and County the following proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County; now, therefore,

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution of the State of California, hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Chapter IX of Article IX be amended, and Sections 7, 8 and 9 added thereto, and Chapter X of Article IX, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a Department of Electricity, which shall have charge of the construction and maintenance of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph and Telephone Systems, and shall be under the control of the
President of a Joint Commission composed of the Board of Fire Commissioners and the Board of Police Commissioners.

Section 2. There shall be appointed by the Board of Fire Commissioners and the Board of Police Commissioners, acting in joint session, a practical and skilled Electrician, who shall have general supervision over the Department of Electricity. He shall receive a salary of forty-two hundred dollars per annum.

Section 3. The Commission shall make all appointments subject to the provisions of Article XIII of the Charter, with the exception of the Chief, who shall be appointed to hold office at the pleasure of the Commission.

The officers and members and their respective annual salaries shall be as follows:

First Assistant Chief, thirty-six hundred dollars; Second Assistant Chief, three thousand dollars; Chief Inspector, Chief Operator, and Secretary, each twenty-four hundred dollars; Operators and Inspectors, each, eighteen hundred and sixty dollars; Electrical Draughtsmen and Foremen of Construction, each, eighteen hundred dollars; Assistant Foremen of Construction and Splicers, each seventeen hundred and forty dollars; Repairers, Linemen, Shopmen, Machinists, Instrument Makers, Finishers, Batterymen and Wiremen, each sixteen hundred and eighty dollars; Clerks, Stenographers and Messenger- Helpers, each thirteen hundred and eighty dollars; Telephone Operators, twelve hundred and eighty dollars; Storekeeper shall be a detailed employe and shall retain his original salary.

The above order shall constitute a classification in accordance with Article XIII of the Charter, and all positions shall be promotional to the next higher rank by civil service examination, and credit to be allowed for seniority.

Any person who under a classification or certification of positions by the Civil Service Commission has been appointed in conformity with Article XIII of this Charter, and who has served the probation period required by said Article, is hereby declared appointed within the provisions of the Article XIII to said position so classified.

Section 7. No officer, member or employe of the Department shall be appointed, transferred or removed because of his political opinions, nor shall he be transferred or dismissed except for just cause, nor until after a trial before the Joint Board of Fire Commissioners and Police Commissioners. The accused shall be furnished with a written copy of the charges against him at least ten days previous to the day of trial. He shall have the right to appear in person and by counsel and examine witnesses in his behalf. All witnesses shall be examined under oath, and all trials shall be public.

Section 8. When any officer, member or employe of the Department shall become temporarily disabled by reason of injuries received while in the actual discharge of his duty therein, so as to incapacitate him from performing his duty, the Commission shall allow his salary during the continuance of such temporary disability.

Section 9. The Department shall have charge of the construction and maintenance of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph and Telephone Systems, and such others as may be hereafter designated.

CHAPTER X.

Section 1. The Department of Electricity shall have charge of the construction and maintenance of the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph and Telephone Systems, and signal Systems, and the operation thereof, and any other electrical systems owned and controlled by the City and County.
Section 2. The Commission shall prescribe and determine the type and character of apparatus and equipment required in the different systems coming under the control of the Department. The Department of Electricity shall maintain an efficiently-equipped shop in which the said apparatus shall be designed, constructed and repaired. The Board of Supervisors shall make such appropriations as may be necessary to maintain said shop at all times at its highest efficiency.

Section 3. The Chief shall have charge of all electrical engineering required in the prosecution of the public utilities coming under the direction and supervision of the Department of Electricity, and shall certify to the progress and completion of the same, and do such other work as he may be directed to do by the Commission of Electricity or the Supervisors. He shall possess the power to rigidly enforce all rules and regulations adopted and set forth by the Commission and the Supervisors in regard to the several systems and departments under his control, and be the Chief Executive Officer thereof.

Section 4. There shall be established and maintained a Central Fire Alarm and Central Police Signal Office with not less than one Chief Operator, eight Operators, four Telephone Operators and four Linemen; an Inspection Bureau with not less than one Chief Inspector, one Assistant Chief Inspector, seven Inspectors, and one Overhead Line Inspector, and a shop with not less than one Foreman and eight shopmen; a line gang to consist of not less than one Foreman and fourteen Linemen; and a maintenance force to consist of not less than two Repairers and one Box Inspector; and which shall be centrally located in fireproof quarters. The wires and cables and box systems, the tapper and alarm systems, and other apparatus shall at all times be kept in perfect working order to give the greatest possible protection to the public from fires and make effective the police service. The Inspection Bureau shall be charged with the duty of enforcing all rules, regulations, orders and requirements made by ordinance of the Supervisors in regard to the inspection of electrical wires and appliances, and the services for furnishing light, heat and power or Telephone or Telegraph service, in and upon the streets and buildings, railroad and railway cars, and conveyances of the public or other places where electricity is used by the City and County.

Section 5. Each officer and member of the Department of Electricity shall be allowed, during each year of his service, a vacation of not less than fifteen days’ duration, and no employe shall be required to work more than forty-seven hours in any seven days. Any officer or member may be granted leave of absence by the Commission not to exceed five months continuously, without pay, upon making proper application.

Any reduction in the force of the Department by any cause whatsoever shall be made in inverse order to the appointment, i.e., the lower rank shall be laid off first and the subsequent rank shall step down to the grade from which they were appointed.

Section 6. In order to put in force and make effectual pensions in this Department for officers, members and employees, there is hereby constituted a Joint Board of Trustees, composed of the Board of Fire Commissioners and the Board of Police Commissioners and their successors in office. The Board shall by a two-thirds vote allow pensions in the Department of Electricity and shall adopt a set of rules therefor in like manner as set forth in Chapter VII of this Article IX of the Charter.

Section 7. There is hereby created a fund to be known and designated as the Electricians’ Relief Fund. There shall be annually levied, collected and ap-
portioned to the Electricians' Relief Fund, a tax sufficient to meet and pay all demands upon said fund, for the purposes set out in Sections 6, 7 and 8 hereof.

Section 8. No such pensions shall be paid unless such person has been an employee of the Department for twenty years, nor shall the Board provide for the family of any officer, member or employee, except as set forth in Section 5, Chapter VII of this Article IX. The Board may for the purposes as provided appoint a Secretary and allow a similar compensation.

Charter Amendment No. 10.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 6 of Chapter III of Article VIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. The Chief of Police may detail for detective duties such members of the police force as he may select, not to exceed one detective for each eighteen police officers. He shall designate a member of the police force to act as captain over the officers so detailed, who shall receive an annual salary of $3,000 and who shall be designated as Captain of Detectives. He shall also designate a member of said police force to act as lieutenant over the officers so detailed, who shall receive an annual salary of $2,400 and who shall be designated as Lieutenant of Detectives. Said members of said police force so designated to act as captain and lieutenant of detectives, shall hold office only during the pleasure of the Chief of Police, and their respective duties shall be defined by the Board of Police Commissioners and the Chief of Police. The members of said police force so detailed for detective duty shall be known in rank as detective sergeants. Each of said detective sergeants shall receive an annual salary of $1,800. They may be removed at any time from such detail by the Chief of Police. Their duties shall be defined by the rules and regulations of the Commissioners, by the orders of the Chief of Police, and by the orders of the Captain and Lieutenant of Detectives.

That a new section be added to Article XVI of the Charter to be known as Section 42, and to read as follows:

Section 42. It is hereby expressly provided that all amendments to the Charter submitted and adopted concurrently herewith, that increase the compensation of any officer shall not take effect until the expiration of the present term of such officer, or that increase the compensation of any employe, shall not take effect until July 1st, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 11.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 1 of Chapter IV of Article VIII is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the Board of Police Commissioners and hold office for the term of four years. He shall receive an annual salary of six thousand dollars. He shall have control, management and direction of all members of the Department in the lawful exercise of his func-
tions, with full power to detail any of them to such public service as he may direct, and with like power to suspend temporarily any member of the Department. In all cases of such suspension, he shall immediately report the same to the Board, with the reasons therefor in writing. He shall maintain and enforce law and rigid discipline so as to secure complete efficiency of the Department. He shall, subject to the directions and orders of the Commissioners, have control of such of the prisons of the City and County as are not by the general law under the control of the Sheriff.

That a new section be added to Article XVI of the Charter to be known as Section 42, and to read as follows:

Section 42. It is hereby expressly provided that all amendments to the Charter submitted and adopted concurrently herewith, that increase the compensation of any officer, shall not take effect until the expiration of the present term of such officer, or that increase the compensation of any employee shall not take effect until July 1st, 1913.

Charter Amendment No. 12.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County, as follows:

Amending Subdivision 18, of Section 1 of Chapter II of Article II to read as follows:

18. To allow not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars in any year for the celebration of the anniversary of our National Independence, not to exceed one thousand dollars in any year for the celebration of the anniversary of the Admission of the State of California into the Union, and not to exceed five hundred dollars in any year for the observance of Memorial Day.

Charter Amendment No. 13.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

To amend Section 2 of Article XVI to read as follows:

Section 2. All persons appointed to office, position or employment under the city and county must be citizens of the United States, and must, during their respective terms of office or employment actually reside in the city and county, and must have so resided for the period of one year next preceding their appointment; provided that positions requiring expert or technical training may, by resolution of the Board of Supervisors approved by the Mayor, be exempted from this condition, and there shall be imposed in lieu thereof a certification of training and experience. Appointees whose duties are performed outside the city and county shall not be subject to the requirements of this section. All provisions of the charter in conflict with this section are hereby repealed.

Charter Amendment No. 14.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:
To amend Section 9 of Article XII to read as follows:

Section 9. No indebtedness shall be incurred which, together with the existing bonded indebtedness of the City and County, shall exceed, at any one time fifteen per centum of the assessed value of all real and personal property in the City and County; provided, that bonds issued for the Panama-Pacific Exposition and for the acquisition of a water supply or for the construction of works appertaining thereto shall be excluded when computing such existing bonded indebtedness.

Charter Amendment No. 15.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County to read as follows:

That Section 11 of Chapter I of Article III, be amended to read as follows:

Section 11. On or before the first Monday of September in each year, the Supervisors shall levy the amount of taxes for City and County purposes required to be levied upon all property not exempt from taxation. The amount so levied, exclusive of the State tax and the tax to pay the interest and principal of the bonds, and the tax to pay for the maintenance and improvement of the parks, squares and public grounds of the City and County, shall not exceed the rate of one dollar on each one hundred dollars valuation of the property assessed and the proceeds of such tax with revenues from sources other than taxation (and not contributed for specific purposes) shall constitute the current funds of the municipality and all current expenses shall be paid from such funds; provided that by a vote of fourteen Supervisors a special tax may be levied for any or all of the following purposes:

(a) For the support of the public schools, including primary, secondary, trades and technical schools, and other educational purposes for which moneys are specifically appropriated;
(b) For the construction and repair of public buildings;
(c) For the acquisition or construction of any of the public utilities covered by Article XII or for extension of the fire protection system;
(d) For the acquisition of lands for municipal purposes;
(e) For the construction of tunnels, subways, bridges, viaducts, convenience stations and other permanent structures;
(f) For the construction, repair and cleaning of sewers and for grading, paving, repaving, maintenance and repair to streets.
(g) For increases in salaries or increase in number of officials or employees, voted at any general, municipal or special election.

The Supervisors are empowered to submit to the voters an ordinance levying a tax for a specific purpose, such tax to be collected in annual installments for a period not exceeding ten years; and if a majority of the voters voting thereon at any general or special election shall vote in favor thereof, such tax shall be levied and collected each year in accordance with the terms of such ordinance.

No moneys collected from a tax levied for a specific purpose shall be devoted to any other purpose than that for which it was levied; provided that any surplus remaining after the completion of the work for which it was levied may be transferred to the fund for the redemption of the bonded debt.
Charter Amendment No. 16.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 11, Article XIV, be amended to read as follows:

Section 11. The Supervisors shall provide all necessary money for the maintenance, preservation and improvement of said parks, squares, avenues and grounds, and to that end shall annually levy a tax on all property in the City and County not exempt from taxation, which shall not be less than five cents nor more than ten cents upon each one hundred dollars assessed valuation of said property.

Charter Amendment No. 17.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Subdivision 36 of Section 1 of Chapter II, Article II, be amended to read as follows:

36. To allow not to exceed the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars a year for the relief of aged, indigent and infirm exempt firemen who served in the Volunteer Fire Department between the years of 1850 and 1866.

Charter Amendment No. 18.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of the City and County of San Francisco at a special election to be held therein on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposition amending Sections 1, 2 and 14 of Chapter III of Article VI of the Charter of said City and County so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Whenever the public interest or convenience may require, the Supervisors shall have full power and authority to order the extending, widening, straightening or closing up, in whole or in part, of any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place within the City and County and shall have further full power and authority to order the opening of any new street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place within the City and County, and to condemn and acquire any and all lands and property necessary for any of the foregoing purposes, and shall have further full power and authority to order to be done in the same proceeding and as a part thereof any and all street work and street improvement in and on any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place which the Supervisors shall, under the powers conferred upon said Supervisors in this Chapter and Article, order to be extended, widened, straightened or opened. The cost, damage and expense of such opening, extending, curving, straightening and closing up of any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place and of said street work and street improvement may be assessed in whole or in part on property benefited or may be paid in whole or in part out of the revenues of the City and County. Two or more streets, avenues, lanes, alleys, courts or places laid out in pursuance of one general plan may be opened under one proceeding, and all street work and street improvement therein and thereon may be done under the same proceeding and the property benefited may be assessed according to the benefit from such general plan for the cost, damage and expense thereof.
The Supervisors are further empowered to provide by ordinance or ordinances, passed by 12 members of the Board, the procedure for fully and completely exercising the powers conferred in this section and the procedure provided for in the following sections of this Chapter shall not be deemed exclusive. In such ordinance or ordinances if said Board deems it expedient, provision may be made for the payment of any assessment levied in pursuance of the provisions thereof in annual installments covering a term not to exceed ten years upon such conditions as to such Board may seem reasonable and just, the rate of interest to be made on such payments not to exceed seven per cent per annum. Or the Supervisors may by resolution, as in the following sections provided, declare that any such opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing up of any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place and said street work and street improvement shall be done or made in the manner and in accordance with the following provisions of this Chapter or as said provisions may be hereafter amended; in which case the proceedings set out in the following sections of this Chapter shall be taken and had.

That Section 2 of Chapter III of Article VI of said Charter be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. Before ordering such opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing up of any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place and said street work and street improvement to be made or done the Board of Supervisors shall pass a resolution declaring their intention so to do and further declaring that the same shall be done or made in the manner and in accordance with the provisions of this section and the following sections of this Chapter. Said resolution shall describe the same and the work to be done and the land and property deemed necessary to be taken therefor, and shall specify the exterior boundaries of the district to be affected or benefited by the improvement and work, and to be assessed to pay the damages, costs and expenses thereof.

In case said damage, cost and expense or any proportion thereof, is to be paid out of the revenues of the City and County the Supervisors in such resolution may so declare or at any time thereafter and before the complete payment of said damages, costs and expenses, said Board may declare and determine that any part or the whole thereof remaining unpaid shall be paid out of the revenues of the City and County.

That Section 14 of Chapter III of Article VI of said Charter be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 14. The said Board of Public Works shall thereafter proceed to advertise and collect the various sums delinquent and the whole thereof, including the cost of advertising, which last shall not exceed the sum of fifty cents for each lot, piece or parcel of land separately assessed by the sale of the assessed property in the manner hereinafter specified; and after the date of said delinquency and before the time of such sale herein provided for, no assessment shall be received unless at the same time the five per cent added thereto, as aforesaid, together with the costs of advertising then already incurred, shall be paid therewith. The said property shall be sold and when sold shall be subject to redemption in the manner following to-wit:

1st. The Board of Public Works shall, within ten days from date of such delinquency, begin the publication of a list of the delinquent assessments, which list must contain a description of each parcel of property delinquent, and opposite or against each description, the name of the owner as stated in the assessment-roll, and the amount of the assessment, penalty and costs due, including the cost of
advertising; which last shall not exceed the sum of fifty cents for each lot, piece or parcel of land, separately assessed. The Board of Public Works shall append to and publish with said delinquent list a notice that unless each assessment delinquent, together with the penalty and costs thereon, is paid, the property upon which such assessment is a lien, will be sold at public auction at a time and place to be specified in the notice. The publication must be made for a period of ten days, in the official newspaper of said City and County of San Francisco. The time of sale must not be less than five days, nor more than ten days, after the expiration of the period of publication of said list, and the place of sale must be in, or in front of, the building wherein is situated the office of the Board of Public Works.

2nd. At any time after such delinquency, and prior to the sale of any piece of property assessed and delinquent, any person may pay the assessment on such piece of property, together with the penalty, and costs then due, including the cost of advertising, if such payment is made after the first publication of the list of delinquent assessments. The Board of Public Works shall thereupon mark such assessment “paid,” as hereinbefore provided.

3rd. On the day fixed for the sale the Board of Public Works must, at the hour of 10 o’clock A. M., commence the sale of the property advertised, commencing at the head of the list, and continuing in the numerical order of lots or parcels of land until all are sold provided, that the Board of Public Works may postpone or continue the sale from day to day until the property is sold. Each lot, piece or parcel of land separately assessed must be offered for sale separately, and the person who will take the least quantity of land, and then and there pay the amount of the assessment, penalty and costs due, including fifty cents to the Board of Public Works for a certification of sale, shall become the purchaser. In case there is no purchaser for any lot, piece or parcel of land so offered for sale, the same shall be struck off to the said City and County of San Francisco, as purchaser, and the Board of Supervisors shall appropriate out of the General Fund of the Treasury, the amount then due against the lot, piece or parcel of land, and shall order the County Treasurer to place the same in the special fund for such improvement. No charge shall be made for the certificate of sale when the said City and County of San Francisco is the purchaser.

4th. After making the sale, the Board of Public Works must execute in duplicate, a certificate of sale setting forth a description of the property sold, the name of the owner thereof, as given on the assessment-roll, that said property was sold for a delinquent assessment (specifying the improvement for which the same was made), the amount for which such property was sold, the date of sale, the name of the purchaser, and the time when the purchaser will be entitled to a deed. The Board of Public Works must file one copy of such certificate in its office and deliver the other to the purchaser, or if the said City and County of San Francisco is the purchaser, to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, who shall file the same in his office. On the filing of the copy of such certificate in the office of the Board of Public Works, the lien of the assessment shall vest in the purchaser, and is only divested by a redemption of the property, as in this act provided. The Board of Public Works shall also enter on the assessment roll, opposite the description of each piece of property offered for sale, a description of the part thereof sold, the amount for which the same was sold, the date of the sale, and the name of the purchaser.

5th. A redemption of any parcel of property sold for delinquent assessment may be made by any party in interest, at any time prior to the execution and
delivery of a deed therefor, by paying to the Board of Public Works, the amount for which the property was sold, and in addition thereto, ten per cent thereon if paid within three months after the date of the sale; twenty per cent if paid within six months; thirty per cent if paid within nine months; forty per cent if paid within twelve months, or fifty per cent if paid at any time after twelve months. When redemption is made, the Board of Public Works shall note that fact on the duplicate certificate of sale on file in its office, and deposit the amount paid with the County Treasurer, who shall credit the purchaser named in the certificate of sale with the said amount and pay the same to such purchaser, or his assignee, upon the surrender of the certificate of sale, and upon satisfactory proof of assignment thereof, if any. When the said City and County of San Francisco is the purchaser, the County Treasurer shall notify the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the redemption, and such Clerk shall thereupon cancel the certificate of sale on file in his office.

6th. At any time after the expiration of twelve months from the date of the sale, the Board of Public Works must execute to the purchaser, or his assignee, on his application, if such purchaser or assignee has complied with the provisions of this section, a deed of the property sold, in which shall be recited substantially the matters contained in the certificate, also any assignment thereof and the fact that no person has redeemed the property. The Board of Public Works shall receive from the applicant for the deed, one dollar for making such deed, unless the said City and County of San Francisco is the purchaser, in which case no charge shall be made therefor.

7th. The deed of the Board of Public Works shall be prima facie evidence of the truth of all matters recited therein, and of the regularity of all proceedings hereunder prior to the execution thereof, and of title in the grantee. It shall be conclusive evidence of the necessity of taking or damaging the lands taken or damaged, and of the necessity of the improvement and work and of the correctness of the compensation awarded for lands taken or damaged.

8th. The Board of Public Works shall from time to time, pay over to the County Treasurer all moneys collected by the Board on account of any assessments made under the provisions hereof. The County Treasurer shall on receipt thereof, place the same in a special fund, designating such fund by the name of the street, avenue, square, lane, alley, court or place for the widening, opening or other improvements for which the assessment was made. Payment shall be made from said fund to the parties entitled thereto upon warrants signed by the members of the Board of Public Works. With respect to all matters provided for or prescribed by this section to be done or performed by said Board of Public Works, the majority of said Board may act.

Charter Amendment No. 19.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of the City and County of San Francisco at a special election to be held therein on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal amending Chapter VIII of Article VI of the Charter of said City and County so as to read as follows:

CHAPTER VIII.

Tunnels, Subways and Viaducts.

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors are hereby empowered to order the construction of and construct any tunnel, subway or viaduct in, on, under or over
any accepted or unaccepted open public street, avenue, lane, alley, place or court within the City and County, or any other land of the City and County, or in, on, under or over any land or water in which and where the City and County may then have an easement or right of way therefor, and to levy the damages, cost and expenses thereof upon private property in the manner and under the procedure and powers in Chapter II of this Article provided for street work and street improvement. Said method of procedure shall not be deemed exclusive, but the Board of Supervisors may, by an affirmative vote of at least twelve of its members, adopt an ordinance which may from time to time be revised or amended, providing a method of procedure for such improvement, work and assessment and for the ascertainment and payment of damages and for the manner in which protests against such assessments and damages awarded may be heard and determined, and for the manner in which such assessment may be collected and paid and property delinquent thereunder may be sold, and for the procedure for fully and completely exercising the powers conferred in this section; and in such ordinance, if said Board deems it expedient, provision may be made for the payment of any assessment levied in pursuance of the provisions thereof in annual installments covering a term not to exceed ten years upon such conditions as to the said Board may seem reasonable and just, the rate of interest to be paid on such payments not to exceed seven per cent per annum.

Section 2. The Board of Supervisors are hereby empowered to authorize the acquisition, by purchase or condemnation, and to acquire by purchase, or to condemn and acquire, any and all land, or any easement or right of way therein, thereon, thereunder or thereover, and any property necessary and convenient for any purpose mentioned in Section 1 of this Chapter, and to levy the damages, costs and expenses thereof upon private property, in the manner and under the procedure and powers in Chapter III of this Article provided, for the opening, extending, straightening and closing up, in whole or in part, of any street, avenue, lane, alley, court or place. But said method of procedure shall not be deemed exclusive, but the Board of Supervisors may by an affirmative vote of at least twelve of its members, adopt an ordinance, which may from time to time be revised or amended, providing a method of procedure for such acquisition and for the ascertainment and payment of damages and for the manner in which protests against such assessments and damages awarded may be heard and determined, and for the manner in which such assessment may be collected and paid and property delinquent thereunder may be sold, and for the procedure for fully and completely exercising the powers conferred in this section; and in such ordinance, if said Board deems it expedient, provision may be made for the payment of any assessment levied in pursuance of the provisions thereof in annual installments covering a term not to exceed ten years upon such conditions as to the said Board may seem reasonable and just, the rate of interest to be paid on such payments not to exceed seven per cent per annum.

Lands or property which the Supervisors deem necessary to take the place of such portion of the street or streets as may be used in the construction of the tunnel, including its portals and approaches, and to restore to the street surface travel thereon are hereby declared to be necessary and convenient lands or property for the purposes mentioned in Section 1.

Section 3. If the Board of Supervisors deems it expedient, the construction and acquisition mentioned in Sections 1 and 2 of this Chapter may be initiated and completed in one proceeding; and in exercising the power to provide by
ordinance for methods of procedure hereinbefore provided for such ordinance may provide for a single procedure for the work mentioned in Section 1 and the acquisition mentioned in Section 2 of this Chapter. Any existing ordinance providing a method of procedure for the work mentioned in Section 1 of this Chapter may be amended so that it may also provide a method of procedure for the acquisition mentioned in Section 2 of this Chapter. But the Supervisors may, in any case, determine to proceed with the work mentioned in Section 1 hereof and with the acquisition mentioned in Section 2 hereof in separate proceedings.

Section 4. The Board of Supervisors may, in its discretion, order that the whole or any part of the costs and expenses of any of the work or acquisitions in Sections 1 and 2 of this Chapter mentioned, or the damages resulting therefrom, be paid out of the Treasury of the City and County from such funds as the Board of Supervisors may designate. Such discretion may be exercised by the Board of Supervisors at any time prior to the time of making an assessment therefor. Whenever a part of such damages, cost or expense is so ordered to be paid, before the making of an assessment therefor, the Board of Public Works, in making up the assessment providing for such damages, cost or expense, shall first deduct from the whole damages, cost and expense such part thereof as has been ordered to be paid out of the municipal treasury and shall assess the remainder proportionately upon the lots, parts of lots, and lands in the assessment district or districts liable to be assessed therefor.

Section 5. No person, firm or corporation shall ever be granted the exclusive right to operate a street or other railroad through, in or under any tunnel, subway or viaduct constructed or acquired under the provisions of this Chapter. Two or more lines of street railways operated under different managements may use the same tunnel, subway or viaduct for the entire length thereof and for five consecutive blocks approaching each end thereof, each management paying an equal portion of the expense for the construction, maintenance and repairs of the tracks and appurtenances used by said railways jointly. The City and County in the operation of a Municipal railway may use any such tunnel, subway or viaduct either singly or jointly with any privately operated railway for the entire length thereof and for any number of blocks approaching each end thereof; and in case of joint use of tracks shall pay an equal portion of the expense for the construction, maintenance and repairs of the tracks and appurtenances used by said railways jointly.

Section 6. Two or more tunnels to be constructed in pursuance of one general plan may be so constructed under one proceeding and any or all acquisitions or condemnations of lands or easements or rights of way therein and any property necessary and convenient for the same may be acquired or condemned in the same proceedings and the property benefited may be assessed for the costs, damages and expenses thereof according to the benefit from such general plan.

Charter Amendment No. 20.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 33 of Chapter II of Article VI be amended to read as follows:
Section 33. The method of procedure in this Article provided for the improvement of streets, or for the construction of tunnels, subways or viaducts and appurtenances thereto, and for the assessment of the expense thereof or any portion of such expense upon private property shall not be deemed exclusive, but the Board of Supervisors by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the members thereof, may by ordinance substitute therefor any method of procedure in any general law of the State of California now in force and effect, or as the same may be amended or that may hereafter be enacted, providing for any such improvements in municipalities, any levying assessments for the expense or portion thereof upon private property; or the said Board may by a like affirmative vote of the members thereof adopt an ordinance which may from time to time be revised or amended, providing a method of procedure for such improvement and assessment; and in such ordinance if said Board deems it expedient, provision may be made for the payment of any assessment levied in pursuance of the provisions thereof in annual installments covering a term not to exceed ten years upon conditions as to said Board may seem reasonable and just, the rate of interest to be paid on such payments not to exceed 7 per cent per annum.

In any proceeding for the improvement of streets wherein provision is made for the payment of any assessment in annual installments, the amount of such assessment shall not be limited by the provisions contained in subdivision three of Section 8 of this Chapter.

Charter Amendment No. 21.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That a new section be added to Article XVI, designated as Section 29 1/2, and to read as follows:

Section 29 1/2. A municipal indebtedness may be incurred and bonds may be authorized to be issued therefor by the voters for the purpose of facilitating the performance of street or any other kind of public work, or opening of streets, or acquisition of property for any of the aforesaid purposes, the cost of which is to be assessed upon private property benefited thereby, provided, that said cost shall in the aggregate exceed the sum of Five hundred thousand dollars.

To authorize such indebtedness the Supervisors shall adopt a resolution declaring the necessity therefor and at any time thereafter may call an election for the purpose of submitting to the electors the proposition of authorizing the issuance of bonds and the incurring of the indebtedness. Such election may be held at the same time as any other election, or otherwise, as the Supervisors may determine, but if held at the same time as is a general State or municipal election separate ballots may be used and the paper on which the ballots are printed shall be distinctively different from that used for the election of officers.

The principal and interest on such bonds may be paid from the fund herein provided for or as other bonds of the City and County are redeemed and paid in the discretion of the Supervisors. The full faith and credit of the City and County shall be pledged for the punctual payment of the principal and interest. Such indebtedness shall be no part of the debt limited by Section 9 of Article XII of the Charter. The maximum rate of interest shall not exceed five per centum per annum and the principal shall be payable at any time after ten years and within twenty years from their date, as may be determined by the Board of Su-
pervisors. If more than two-thirds of the voters voting at such election shall vote in favor of the incurring of the indebtedness, then such bonds may be issued as herein provided.

The bonds so authorized shall be sold in such amounts and at such times as the Supervisors may direct and the proceeds arising from such sale shall be placed in a special fund known as the Public Work Revolving Fund. The moneys in such fund shall be used to pay the cost of any public improvement, the cost of which (or any portion thereof) has been or may be assessed against private property benefited thereby, or may be used to pay the principal or interest on the bonds issued as herein provided. All sums paid on account of such assessments shall be placed to the credit of such fund. Interest shall be charged on all such assessments at the rate of six per centum per annum, from the date of the acceptance of the work for the payment of which the assessments were imposed. Such assessments when exceeding $25 may be paid in not more than ten annual installments. The Supervisors shall, by proper legislation provide for the carrying into effect the provisions of this section.

Charter Amendment No. 22.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That a new section be added to Chapter II of Article II to be numbered Section 10, to read as follows:

Section 10. The Board of Supervisors, in the manner provided in the preceding section, may sell a portion of the Relief Home Tract not adapted to public use, being a portion of the Rancho San Miguel and generally described as lying southerly and westerly from the lands of the Spring Valley Water Company. The proceeds arising from such sale shall be used exclusively for the purchase of other lands adjoining such Relief Home Tract.

Charter Amendment No. 23.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That a new section be added to Article XVI thereof, to be numbered Section 1 1/2, to read as follows:

Section 1 1/2. No political, religious or partisan qualifications shall hereafter be required for election or appointment to any office under the City and County. The right to hold any office or position shall not be limited by sex. Any provision of this charter in conflict with this section is hereby repealed.

Charter Amendment No. 24.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:
That Section 3 of Chapter V of Article IV be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. On request of the Assessor or the Tax Collector the City Attorney shall commence and prosecute actions for the collection of taxes.

Charter Amendment No. 25.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on December 10th, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County by amending Section 1 of Chapter VII of Article V thereof, to read as follows:

Section 1. The Justices of the Peace shall have and exercise all the powers conferred upon them by the General Laws of the State and shall be elected for the term, and in the manner therein prescribed. They shall receive such compensation and may appoint such clerks, deputies and employees as may be prescribed by such General Laws.

Charter Amendment No. 26.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 4, Chapter X, Article VIII be amended to read as follows:

The Commissioners shall, out of the Police Relief and Pension Fund, provide as follows for the family of any officer, member or employee of the department who may be killed or injured while in the performance of his duty, and who shall have died within one year from the date of such injury; and the receipt by such officer, member or employee of any relief under this chapter, during his life time shall not bar the said family from the benefits of this section.

FIRST: Should the decedent be married, his widow shall as long as she may remain unmarried be paid a monthly pension equal to one-half of the salary attached to the rank held by the decedent at the time of his death.

SECOND: Should the decedent leave no widow, but leave an orphan child or children under the age of sixteen years, such children shall collectively receive a pension equal to one-half the salary attached to the position held by their father at the time of his death until the youngest attains the age of sixteen years.

THIRD: Should the decedent leave no widow and no orphan child or children, but leave a parent or parents depending solely upon him for support, such parents, so depending, shall collectively receive a pension equal to one-half the salary attached to the position held by the decedent at the time of his death, during such time as the Commissioners may unanimously determine its necessity.

That Section 5, Chapter VII, Article IX, be amended to read as follows:

Section 5. The Commissioners shall, out of the Firemen's Relief Fund, provide as follows for the family of any officer, member or employee of the Fire Department who may be killed or injured while in the performance of his duty, and who shall have died within one year from the date of such injury and the receipt by such officer, member or employee of any relief under this chapter, during his life time shall not bar the said family from the benefits of this Section.
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THIRD: Should the decedent leave no widow and no orphan child or children, but leave a parent or parents depending solely upon him for support, such parents, so depending, shall collectively receive a pension equal to one-half of the salary attached to the position held by the decedent at the time of his death during such time as the Commissioners may unanimously determine its necessity.

Charter Amendment No. 27.

A petition has been filed with the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the said Board being the legislative authority of said City and County, which petition is signed by more than fifteen per cent of the qualified voters of said City and County, petitioning said legislative authority to submit to the qualified voters of said City and County the following proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County; now, therefore,

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution of the State of California, hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That a new chapter be added to Article XI of said Charter, to be designated as Chapter VI, which said Chapter shall be entitled, "Local Option for Districts," and read as follows:

ARTICLE XI, CHAPTER VI.

Local Option for Districts.

Section 1. Registered voters of any district as hereinafter defined as many in number as twenty-five per cent (25%) of the entire vote cast for all candidates for the office of Mayor at the last preceding municipal election at which a Mayor shall have been elected, shall have power to petition the Board of Election Commissioners to submit to the registered voters of such district the question whether or not permits to engage in the sale of liquor at retail, as defined in Section 3, Chapter III, Article VIII, of this Charter, shall thereafter be granted in the said district.

Section 2. Except as in this Chapter otherwise provided, petitions submitted under the provisions of this Chapter shall be prepared and acted upon as provided in Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter III, of Article XI, of this Charter, which sections are hereby made a part of this Chapter.

Section 3. Whenever there shall have been presented to the Board of Election Commissioners a petition signed by the requisite number of registered voters, as in Section 1 of this Chapter prescribed, for the submission to the registered voters of any district, as hereinafter defined, of the question hereinabove in Section 1 set forth, it shall be the duty of the Board of Election Commissioners to sub-
mit the question therein set forth to the qualified electors of the district therein described, at an election to be thereafter held, as hereinafter in Section 6 provided.

Section 4. The ballots used at the election hereinafter provided for shall include the submission of the said question by printing the same on said ballots substantially in the following form:

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"Shall permits to engage in the sale of liquor at retail, as defined in Section 3, Chapter III, Article VIII, of the Charter, be granted within the district of San Francisco bounded as follows:" (Here insert boundaries of district.)
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Section 5. If a petition shall be filed under the provisions of this Chapter more than sixty (60) days and less than ninety (90) days prior to a general election, the question described in such petition shall be submitted by the Board of Election Commissioners at such general election. If said petition shall be filed more than ninety (90) days prior to a general election, the Board of Election Commissioners shall certify the fact of the filing of said petition to the Board of Supervisors, and the said Board of Supervisors shall have power to call a special election for the submission of said question, which election shall be held at a date not more than thirty (30) days from the date of calling the same. If no such special election shall be called by the Board of Supervisors, the said question shall be submitted at the next general election to be held after the submission of said petition.

Section 6. All arrangements for special elections under this Chapter shall be made, and the same be conducted, returned, and the results thereof declared, so far as practicable, in all respects as is provided by law in the case of special municipal elections, and the State penal laws applicable to general elections shall apply to elections held hereunder; provided if there be any conflict between the provisions of this Chapter and other portions of this Charter or such general laws this Chapter shall prevail.

When elections provided for in this Chapter are held at the same time as other elections, the said question shall be placed upon the regular ballot, and notice of the submission of said question shall be given, and the votes thereon be counted, returned and declared in the same manner as when any other question is submitted to a vote under the provisions of this Charter.

Section 7. A district for the purposes of this Chapter shall consist of any portion of the City and County of San Francisco embracing not less than fifty (50) city blocks, and shall be so arranged that no established election precinct shall be divided, and that such district shall be composed of a single parcel of contiguous territory.

Section 8. If a majority of the qualified electors of said district voting on said question shall vote against granting permits to engage in the sale of liquors at retail, as defined in Section 3, Chapter III, Article VIII, of the Charter, then no such permit shall thereafter be granted within the said district until at some future election, called under the provisions of this Chapter, a majority of the registered voters of said district shall have voted in favor of granting such permits; provided, however, that all permits theretofore granted for said purpose shall continue in full force until the expiration of the term for which they were granted,
and may thereafter be renewed from time to time during the period of six months next succeeding the date of such election, but shall not be renewed so as to be in force after the expiration of said period of six months.

Section 9. Whenever an election shall have been held in any district under the provisions of this Chapter, the said question shall not again be submitted in the said district within three years from the date of such election, and no portion of such district shall be included within any other district for which a petition shall be presented under the provisions of this Chapter within three years from the date of the election first above referred to, and shall not then be included in such new district unless at least twenty-five (25) per cent of the registered voters of such former district as it is proposed to include in the proposed new district shall sign a petition asking to be included in such new district.

Charter Amendment No. 28.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

Section 1, Chapter II, Article VIII, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The Police Department shall be under the management of a Board of Police Commissioners, consisting of three members, who shall be appointed by the Mayor, and each of whom shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars. No person shall be appointed such commissioner who shall not have been an elector of the City and County for at least five years next preceding his appointment.

Section 2, Chapter II, Article VIII, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. At the expiration of 30 days after the ratification of this amendment by the Legislature of the State of California, the offices of the then incumbent members of the Board of Police Commissioners shall become vacant, and the Mayor shall thereupon proceed to appoint a Board of Police Commissioners pursuant to the provisions of the preceding section. Those so appointed shall so classify themselves by lot that they shall respectively go out of office at the expiration of one, two and three years. All subsequent appointments shall be for the term of three years.

Section 4, Chapter II, Article VIII, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The Police Commissioners shall organize by electing one of their number President, who shall hold such office for one year. The Board shall appoint a Secretary, who shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars. The sessions of the Board shall be public, except that executive sessions may be held whenever deemed proper by the Board. The Board shall meet at least once a week in the rooms of the Police Department, or in case of public emergency at such place as the Board may select. The Secretary must keep minutes of its proceedings; and in every case where a power is exercised by the Board under this Article, the ayes and nays thereon shall be contained therein.

Section 1, Chapter I, Article IX, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The Fire Department shall be under the management of a Board of Fire Commissioners, consisting of three members, who shall be appointed by the Mayor and each of whom shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars. No person shall be appointed a fire commissioner who shall not have been
an elector of the City and County for at least five years next preceding his appointment.

Section 2, Chapter I, Article IX, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. At the expiration of 30 days after the ratification of this amendment by the Legislature of the State of California, the offices of the then incumbent members of the Board of Fire Commissioners shall become vacant, and the Mayor shall thereupon proceed to appoint a Board of Fire Commissioners pursuant to the provisions of the preceding section. Those so appointed shall so classify themselves by lot that they shall respectively go out of office at the expiration of one, two and three years. All subsequent appointments shall be for the term of three years.

A new section be added to Chapter II, Article IX, to be known as Section 5, and to read as follows:

Section 5. The Commissioners shall have power to grant permits subject to existing laws and ordinances to persons, companies or corporations for the storage, sale and use of oils, combustible materials and explosives, and for the operation of laundries and garages, engines and boilers, provided that the Board of Supervisors may by a vote of fifteen of its members, review, modify or annul the action of the Commissioners in granting or refusing to grant such permits.

Section 1, Article X, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Department of Public Health, under the management of a Board of Health. The Board shall consist of three members, all of whom shall be, at the time of, and shall have been for five years continuously next preceding their appointment, residents of the City and County not more than two of whom shall be at the time of and for five years next preceding such appointment regularly certificated physicians.

They shall each receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars, and shall hold office for three years.

Section 2 of Article X be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. Within 30 days after the ratification of this amendment by the Legislature of the State of California, the offices of the then incumbent members of the Board of Health shall become vacant, and the Mayor shall thereupon proceed to appoint a Board of Health pursuant to the provisions of the preceding section.

Those so appointed shall so classify themselves by lot that they shall respectively go out of office at the expiration of one, two and three years. All subsequent appointments shall be for the term of three years.

Section 3 of Article X be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. The Board shall have the management and control of all municipal hospitals, and of all matters pertaining to the preservation, promotion and protection of the lives and health of the inhabitants of the City and County, and shall have sanitary supervision of the municipal institutions of the City and County, including jails, schoolhouses, of all public buildings and of the disposition of the dead.

Section 4 of Article X be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The Board shall enforce all ordinances, rules and regulations which may be adopted by the Supervisors for the carrying out and enforcement of a good sanitary condition in the City and County; for the protection of public health; for determining the nature and character of nuisances and for their abate-
ment; and for securing the proper registration of births, deaths and other statistical information. It shall from time to time submit to the Supervisors a draft of such ordinances, rules and regulations as it may deem necessary to promote the objects mentioned in this section. The Board shall have power to grant permits to persons, companies or corporations to maintain stables, or to conduct any other business which by law or ordinance is subject to sanitary regulations, provided that the action of the Board in granting or refusing to grant any such permit may be reviewed, modified or annulled by a vote of fifteen members of the Board of Supervisors.

Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Article X are hereby repealed.

Charter Amendment No. 29.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That Chapter I of Article XI be amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 6 and to read as follows:

Section 6. The Board shall have power to make rules and regulations concerning discipline and leaves of absence and vacations without loss of pay for the employees of the Department; provided, that vacations without loss of pay shall be allowed only to persons who have been employed in the Department continuously for twelve months, and shall be for a period not to exceed fifteen days. The Board shall have power to direct that its office or such other places of registration as it may deem necessary be opened for the registration of voters or other necessary work at times other than the regular office hours provided for by this Charter and to make such regulations as to hours of work by employees during night work as efficiency may require; provided that no employe shall be required to work more than eight hours in any one day.

Charter Amendment No. 30.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That there is added to Section 1 of Chapter II, of Article II, four new subdivisions to be numbered 38, 39, 40 and 41, to read as follows:

38. To provide for and regulate the purchase, storage and distribution of all supplies for the various offices and departments, and may provide for the establishment of a Bureau of Supplies, and the employment of a Chief of such Bureau, with necessary employees and salaries therefor. The Bureau so established may furnish all supplies and materials required by any officer or department of the City and County.

39. To prescribe the forms in which demands against the treasury shall be made and presented, and the forms in which warrants shall be drawn by the Auditor and delivered for the payment thereof.

40. To prescribe a uniform system of accounting for the various offices and departments.

41. To prescribe forms, methods and facilities for keeping the records, documents and files in any office or department of the City and County, unless otherwise provided by general laws.
Charter Amendment No. 31.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

That Section 1 of Chapter III of Article VIII be amended by adding a new subdivision thereto to be known as Subdivision 8 and to read as follows:

8. The Board shall, of its own motion, and without the filing or presentation of any complaint, have power to initiate and conduct investigations of all matters affecting or relating to affairs of the Police Department or the discipline of the members thereof, and for the conduct of such investigations, shall have power to take and hear testimony touching the matters under investigation, administer oaths and affirmations, and upon such investigations, and upon the trial or hearing of all matters, jurisdiction to try or hear which is given by this Charter to said Board, shall have power to issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers and documents pertinent to the matter under investigation, or to said trial or hearing. Whenever any person subpoenaed to appear and give testimony or to produce such books, papers or documents as required by such subpoena, shall refuse to appear or testify before said Board, or to answer any questions which the majority of said Board shall decide to be proper and pertinent, he shall be deemed in contempt of said Board, and it shall be the duty of the President of said Board to report the fact to the presiding Judge of the Superior Court of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, who shall thereupon issue an attachment in the form usual in said Superior Court, directed to the Sheriff of said City and County, commanding said Sheriff to attach such person and forthwith bring him before said presiding Judge of said Superior Court. On the return of said attachment, and the production of the person attached, the said presiding Judge shall have jurisdiction of the matter, and the person charged may purge himself of the contempt in the same way, and the same proceedings shall be had, and the same penalties may be imposed and the same punishment inflicted as in the case of a witness subpoenaed to appear and give evidence on the trial of a civil cause before a Superior Court of the State of California. Any member of said Board shall have power to issue any subpoenas herein provided for.

Charter Amendment No. 32.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified electors of the City and County of San Francisco, at a special election to be held therein on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposition amending Article XIV of the charter of said City and County by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 6-a to read as follows:

Section 6-a. The Board of Supervisors shall have power and authority to select and set aside by ordinance, in that certain square or park known as Jefferson Square, bounded on the north by Eddy Street, on the south by Golden Gate Avenue, on the east by Gough Street and on the west by Laguna Street, a suitable and convenient site upon which may be erected by competent authority a central station for the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph and Telephone Systems, said station when erected to be under the control and management of the Joint Commission of the Department of Electricity, and said Joint Commission shall have power and authority, when said station is erected, to maintain across said square or park the necessary conduits, wires and lines leading to said station.
Charter Amendment No. 33.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend said Charter as follows:

That Section 1 of Chapter I of Article VI be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Department of Public Works under the management of an officer to be known as the Director of Public Works, who shall be appointed by and hold office at the pleasure of the Mayor. He shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board of Supervisors, upon recommendation of the Mayor, not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars per year. At the expiration of thirty days after the ratification of this amendment by the Legislature of the State of California, the offices of the then incumbent members of the Board of Public Works shall become vacant, and the Mayor shall thereupon proceed to appoint a Director of Public Works pursuant to the provisions of this section.

That Section 2 of Chapter I of Article VI be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. The Director is empowered to appoint a Secretary, who shall receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars, to establish such bureaus as may be suitable for the conduct of the business of the department, and may change or abolish them, and may employ such superintendent, engineering, clerical, mechanical and other employees as may be necessary at such compensation as may be fixed by the Board of Supervisors.

That Section 3 of Chapter I of Article VI be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. The Director shall establish all necessary rules for the government of the Department and the bureaus thereof, and for the regulation and conduct of the officers and employees; and shall require bonds from such officers in such sums and in such manner as may be fixed by the Board of Supervisors.

That Section 4 of Chapter I of Article VI be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The Director shall hold a public meeting at least once a week, on a day to be fixed in the rules of the department, to hear complaints from citizens or from employees, and to consider the welfare of the department. The heads of all bureaus of the department shall be present and shall advise concerning the work of the department.

That Section 5 of Chapter I of Article VI be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 5. Wherever in this charter the term "Board of Public Works" is used, it shall be held to mean the Director of Public Works, and all powers conferred and duties imposed upon the Board of Public Works shall be exercised and performed by the Director of Public Works.

That a new section be added to Chapter I of Article VI, designated as Section 5a and to read as follows:

Section 5a. All provisions of the Charter in conflict with this amendment are hereby repealed.
Charter Amendment No. 34.

Franchises.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County at a special election to be held on the tenth day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend Article 2 and Article 3 of said Charter as follows:

That Section 12 of Chapter I of Article II be amended to read as follows:

Section 12. When a bill is put upon its final passage in the Board and fails to pass, and a motion is made to reconsider, the vote upon such motion shall not be acted upon before the expiration of twenty-four hours after adjournment. No bill for the grant of any franchise shall be put upon its final passage within thirty days after its introduction and no franchise shall be renewed before one year prior to its expiration, except as otherwise provided in Section 7 of Chapter II of this Article. Every ordinance shall, after amendment, be laid over one week before its final passage.

That Section 5 of Chapter II of Article II be amended to read as follows:

Section 5. No exclusive franchise or privilege for the construction or operation of any public utility shall ever be granted unless said franchise shall provide for the extension of such utility as public need requires and for the purchase of such franchise and the property of such utility at the option of the City and County of San Francisco, as provided in Sections 6 and 7 of this Chapter.

New Franchises.

That Section 6 of Chapter II of Article II be amended to read as follows.

Section 6. The Board of Supervisors shall have power, subject to the referendum as elsewhere provided in this Charter, and subject to the terms of a general ordinance hereinafter provided for and to be passed by the Board of Supervisors and ratified by the people, to grant franchises for the construction, maintenance and operation of street railways, gas works, electric works, water works, telephone systems and other public utilities upon, or over, or under, or across the streets and public places of the City and County of San Francisco upon the following conditions and in the following manner:

1. No franchise shall be granted for a street railway upon any street or part of a street reserved for a boulevard, except for the purpose of crossing the same.

2. No franchise granted under the authority of this section shall run for a period longer than twenty-five (25) years, except that if at the expiration of the original period of the grant the investment under such franchise shall not have been fully amortized and the City shall not exercise its option to purchase the property, the grantee shall be entitled to a renewal or renewals not exceeding in the aggregate fifteen (15) years. Every franchise so granted shall be subject to the right of the City and County to recall such franchise prior to the termination thereof or of any renewal thereof upon purchasing or finding a purchaser for such franchise and the property constructed or used in connection therewith upon terms and in a manner calculated to render the legitimate and judicious investment of private capital under such franchise safe and remunerative, such terms and manner to be prescribed by a general ordinance hereafter to be passed by the Board of Supervisors and ratified by the people of the City and County of San Francisco. Such franchise may also provide that at the expiration thereof, the City and County shall purchase or find a purchaser for the property constructed or used in
connection therewith, upon terms and conditions to be prescribed in such franchise or by such general ordinance referred to in the last preceding sentence and as may be in force and effect at the time of the granting of such franchise. In case any franchise hereafter granted by the City and County is recalled prior to its expiration, the price to be paid therefor in addition to the price of the property constructed or used thereunder is hereby fixed at the sum of one dollar, but this shall not be construed as forbidding the City and County to pay a bonus on account of the cost of developing the business or on account of operating deficits incurred within ten (10) years subsequent to the commencement of operation of any such utility and not made up, in addition to a fair return upon investment, prior to the recall of such franchise. But in case the property of any utility is not purchased until the expiration of such franchise, nothing whatever shall be paid for such franchise or as such bonus. Provision shall be made in such franchise or in such general ordinance above referred to, for the amortization out of earnings of all or a part of the purchase price of the property prior to the expiration of the franchise, and, except for the bonus above mentioned, the entire price to be paid for the property when acquired by the City shall not exceed the fair value, at the time of such purchase, of the tangible property so acquired less the amount amortized at the time of such purchase.

3. A franchise may be granted under this section either upon application to the Board of Supervisors or upon proceedings initiated by resolution of said Board declaring that public convenience and necessity require the grant of such franchise.

4. Upon application being made to the Board for any such franchise, it shall by resolution determine whether such franchise or any part thereof should be granted, and at said time shall determine on what conditions the same shall be granted additional to the conditions expressly provided in this Charter or in any general ordinances then in force relative to such matters. After such determination, it shall cause notice of such application and resolution to be advertised in the official newspaper of the City and County for ten (10) consecutive days. Such advertisement must be completed not less than twenty (20) nor more than thirty (30) days before any further action is taken by the Board on such application. The advertisement must state the character of the franchise sought, the term of its proposed continuance, and the route to be traversed or the district to be served by such utility, as the case may be; that sealed bids will be received up to a certain hour on a day to be named in the advertisement; and a further statement that no bids will be received of a stated amount, but that all bids must be for the payment to the City and County in lawful money of the United States of a stated percentage of the gross annual receipts of the person, company or corporation to whom the franchise may be awarded, arising from its use, operation, enjoyment or possession; provided that all costs of printing, publication and advertising shall be borne by the applicant or applicants.

Every bidder shall file with his bid a bond executed to the City and County, with at least two good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Mayor, in a penal sum prescribed by the Supervisors, and set forth in such advertisement, conditioned that such bidder will accept such franchise if awarded to him and will well and truly observe, fulfill and perform each and all of the conditions, terms and obligations of the franchise for which said application was made in case the same shall be awarded to him, and that in case of the breach of any of the conditions of such bond, the whole amount of the penal sum therein named shall be
taken to be liquidated damages, and that as such shall be recoverable from the principal and surety on such bond.

At the next regular session after the expiration of the time stated in such advertisement up to which such bids will be received, the Board shall open such bids, and shall take into consideration the award of such franchise. The Board may reject any and all bids and may refuse to grant the franchise applied for or any part thereof. If the Board decides to grant the franchise, it shall, within ten (10) days after the opening of such bids, award the franchise to the highest bidder and introduce an ordinance making such grant. At least thirty (30) days shall intervene between the introduction and the final passage of such ordinance, and such ordinance shall require upon final passage the concurrence of three-fourths of the members of the Board and the approval of the Mayor; provided, that if the Mayor fails or refuses to approve such ordinance within the time allowed for his approval or veto of ordinances and resolutions under the provisions of this Charter, such grant may be repassed by a concurrent vote of five-sixths of the members of the Board, and shall thereupon become effective as if the Mayor had signed it, subject only to the provisions contained elsewhere in this Charter relating to the referendum.

Except as in this section otherwise provided, bidding for a franchise shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Charter in relation to bids made to the Board of Public Works, or such official or body then performing the duties now performed by said Board, so far as such provisions may be applicable. If any bid be accepted, the franchise must be granted upon the express condition that such franchise shall be exercised subject to all the provisions of the Constitution of the State of California and of this Charter and of any general ordinances then in force in the City and County of San Francisco relative to such franchises or operation thereunder; and further upon the express condition that the percentage of the gross receipts of such utility payable to the City and County shall be paid into the Municipal treasury on or before the twentieth (20th) day of the next ensuing month after such gross receipts shall have been earned. At the time such percentages are due the grantee shall file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors a sworn statement in general detail of the gross receipts upon which such percentages are payable, and in addition to all other powers of examination of public utility accounts elsewhere in this Charter conferred upon the City and County or any department or officer thereof, the Board of Supervisors shall have authority, by its Finance Committee or other designated agent, to examine the accounts of such grantee, for the purpose of verifying such statements of gross receipts. Any substantial failure on the part of the grantee of any franchise granted under this Charter, not due to causes beyond his control, or any refusal of such grantee to comply with the conditions of such franchise shall work an immediate forfeiture of the grant, and of all fixed property constructed or acquired thereunder in the streets or public places of the City and County of San Francisco.

5. In case the proceedings for the grant of any franchise are initiated by resolution of the Board of Supervisors rather than by an application for such franchise the procedure to be followed in making such grant shall be the same as above provided in Subdivision 4 of this section, so far as such procedure can be applied thereto.

6. In granting any franchise under this section the Board of Supervisors shall stipulate as a condition of such grant that eight hours shall be the maximum hours of labor in any calendar day for the employees of the grantee or its successors engaged in the construction, maintenance and operation of the utility cov-
ered by such grant; provided that such eight (8) hours' work shall be completed within ten (10) hours, except in the case of the operating force of any street railway, in which case the working day shall be completed within thirteen (13) hours; and provided further, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit overtime employment, wages for such overtime to be paid at one and one-half times the regular rate of wages proportionate to each hour of such extra service.

7. The Board of Supervisors shall prescribe, in any ordinance for the grant of a franchise, the security to be exacted for the performance of the conditions of such franchise and the penalties for a breach thereof.

8. No franchise granted hereunder shall become effective as against the City and County until the same has been accepted in writing by the grantee thereof.

9. No franchise hereafter granted by the City and County of San Francisco, and no fixed property constructed or acquired hereunder in the streets or public places of said City and County, shall be assigned, leased, alienated or transferred in any manner whatsoever by the grantee thereof, his successors or assigns, except by mortgage or deed of trust duly executed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, unless such assignment, lease, alienation or transfer shall have been consented to by ordinance, and the passage of any such ordinance shall be governed by the same procedure and shall require the same approval as the ordinance originally granting such franchise. Any violations of the provisions of this paragraph shall result in the immediate forfeiture to the City and County of such franchise and property.

Resettlement or Adjustment Franchises.

That Section 7 of Chapter II of Article II be amended to read as follows:

Section 7. In order to further the established policy of the City and County of San Francisco gradually to acquire and ultimately to own its public utilities, the Board of Supervisors may negotiate a general resettlement of the franchise rights and obligations of any person, company or corporation actually operating a public utility in said City and County at the time this amendment becomes effective, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide for the surrender by the grantee thereof of all franchises or rights claimed by such grantee for the occupation of the streets or public places of said City and County at the time of such resettlement, and the acceptance, in lieu of such franchises and rights so surrendered, of the rights and privileges granted by such resettlement franchise as the sole franchise for the continued operation of such utility within the limits of said City and County.

2. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide that the City and County may at any time on six (6) months' notice, purchase such franchise and the property, real and personal, actually used and useful and, in the discretion of the City and County, such other property of the grantee as may be prospectively useful in the operation of such utility, upon payment thereof of an amount, and in a manner, to be determined as shall be prescribed by such resettlement franchise.

3. Any such resettlement franchise shall make provision for the extension and development of the utility operated thereunder in accordance with the needs of said City and County and the inhabitants thereof as such needs may from time to time arise, and all extensions and improvements of such utility sub-
sequent to the date of such resettlement franchise shall be subject to the terms thereof.

4. No such resettlement franchise shall in any case confer upon the grantee thereof the right to occupy the streets or public places of said City and County for a longer period than twenty (20) years from the date thereof unless effective provision is made therein for the gradual reduction of the purchase price by means of an amortization or other fund accumulated out of earnings, sufficient to retire, within such period of twenty (20) years, all elements of intangible value included in the purchase price as defined in subdivision 6 of this section.

5. No such resettlement franchise shall in any case confer upon the grantee thereof the right to occupy the streets and public places of said City and County for more than forty (40) years from the date thereof unless effective provision is contained therein for retiring within such period of forty (40) years, in addition to the intangible value referred to in the preceding paragraph, at least all that portion of the purchase price representing fixed structures in the streets and public places and all lands and landed rights actually used and useful, at the end of such period of forty (40) years, in the operation of such utility and included in the original appraisal at the date of such resettlement franchise or added under the terms thereof within twenty (20) years after such date.

6. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide a fixed agreed price for the property of such grantee based upon an appraisal at a date named therein, which shall constitute the basic price for purchase by the City and County. For determining the actual purchase price at which the City and County may take over the property at any given time, additions to and subtractions from such basic price shall be made as follows:

There shall be added the cost from time to time of improvements, additions, betterments and extensions properly chargeable to capital account, such cost to be ascertained in a manner to be determined by such franchise.

There shall be subtracted from such basic price the original appraised value of any property permanently alienated by the grantee and not replaced prior to the time of such purchase.

There shall also be subtracted from such basic price the amount of depreciation, if any, in the value of the tangible property of such utility, other than land, which may have accrued through neglected maintenance subsequent to the date of the original appraisal and prior to the date of such purchase, the amount of any such depreciation, if not agreed upon by the parties, to be determined upon application of the City and County, by the California Railroad Commission or by arbitration, as may be set forth in such resettlement franchise.

There shall also be subtracted from such basic price the amount of any payments made to the grantee prior to the time of said purchase applicable to reduction of capital value or purchase price and the amount of any amortization or other fund in the hands of the grantee, or payable to the grantee, accumulated out of earnings for the purpose of effecting such reduction.

7. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide for the investment of the amortization or purchase fund in the securities of such utility, or of other local utilities operated under similar franchises, or in the bonds of the City and County, to the end that such fund shall be invested in such a way as to accumulate as rapidly as shall be consistent with safe and conservative management, and in such a manner as to minimize the cost of securing additional capital for the extension and improvement of the plant of such utility.
8. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide for adequate continuous control by the City and County over the construction, accounts, equipment and service of such utility during the entire life of such franchise, and especially it shall provide for the maintenance of the property of such utility at the highest practicable standard of operating efficiency throughout the life of such franchise.

9. Any such resettlement franchise may provide that the City and County in taking over the property of such utility at any time, may assume the bonds then outstanding against such utility not exceeding in aggregate amount the appraised value of the tangible property acquired at the time of such purchase, and in such case the par value of the bonds so assumed shall be deducted from the purchase price as determined in accordance with such franchise. The bonds so assumed shall no longer, after such purchase, be a lien upon the franchise or property of the utility as such, but may be secured by the general credit of the City and County, or as a lien upon a fixed percentage or amount of the gross earnings of such utility, or otherwise, as may be provided in such resettlement franchise.

10. Any such resettlement franchise may provide as a next charge after operating expenses and maintenance, including proper provision for current depreciation, an allowance to the owner of such utility of an annual return upon the capital value of such utility represented in the purchase price as determined from time to time in the manner prescribed in such franchise. It may provide further for a division of net profits, or for a bonus for skillful operation, or for other means calculated to enlist the motive of the owners or operators of such utility for the rendition of adequate, safe and convenient service and for the efficient and economical operation of such utility.

11. Any such resettlement franchise may provide that any share of the net profits payable to the City and County under the terms of such franchise, or any other income derived by the City and County from the utility operated under such franchise, shall be put into the amortization or purchase fund in addition to the regular contributions to such fund out of earnings, in order to hasten as much as possible the reduction of the purchase price or capital value of such utility.

12. Any such resettlement franchise shall provide that eight (8) hours shall be the maximum hours of labor in any calendar day for the employees engaged in the construction, operation and maintenance of the utility under such franchise; provided, that such eight (8) hours work shall be completed within ten (10) hours, except in the case of the operating force of any street railway, in which case the working day shall be completed within thirteen (13) hours, and provided further, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit overtime employment, wages for such overtime to be paid at one and one-half times the regular rate of wages proportionate to each hour of such extra service.

13. No such resettlement franchise shall include more than one kind of public utility in the same contract or ordinance, and no such contract or ordinance shall go into effect until it shall have been submitted to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco and shall have received the approval of the majority of those voting thereon.

14. Any such resettlement franchise shall be introduced in the form of an Ordinance and laid over for at least thirty (30) days prior to being passed to print, during which period public hearings shall be held, and shall remain before the Board for sixty (60) days thereafter before its final passage, and shall be passed by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board of Supervisors and shall be signed by the Mayor, or in case of his veto of such franchise, shall be
repassed by a five-sixths vote of the members of such Board in its final form and published not less than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the election at which it is to be voted on by the people. It shall be the duty of the Board of Supervisors to give public hearings on such proposed resettlement franchise prior to its final passage, and immediately after such final passage, and within seven (7) days thereof, to cause such franchise to be printed in convenient pamphlet form for public distribution, and to publish daily thereafter up to the date of such election in the official paper of the City and County notice to the effect that any person may secure a printed copy of such franchise free of charge by application therefor in person or by mail to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors: provided, that all costs of printing, publication and advertising shall be borne by the applicant or applicants.

15. Any such resettlement franchise may provide that the City and County may at its option designate a licensee who shall have the same right to take over the franchise and property of such utility upon notice from the City and County as the City and County itself has, except that such licensee may be required to pay a bonus to the holder of the franchise, the amount of which shall be fixed in such resettlement franchise, in addition to the price the City and County would have to pay if it took the property over for itself at that time, but the designation of such licensee shall be by Ordinance only, and no such Ordinance shall go into effect until it has been submitted to the electors of the City and County and approved by the majority voting thereon.

16. Any such resettlement franchise may provide that upon the annexation to or consolidation with the City and County of San Francisco of any territory not now included in said City and County, any franchises or rights to operate such utility held or claimed by the grantee of such resettlement franchise in or for all or any portion of such annexed or consolidated territory shall thereupon be surrendered to the said City and County of San Francisco and that the privileges and obligations of such resettlement franchise shall thereupon automatically extend to such additional territory or any part thereof, and an appraisal and valuation of the franchises and property used and useful or, in the discretion of said City and County, prospectively useful in the supply of such utility to the area so annexed to or consolidated with said City and County, and not included in the capital value or purchase price already fixed in such resettlement franchise, shall be made in a manner to be prescribed in such franchise, to the end that the option of the City and County to buy such utility and to require extensions and betterments thereof, and all the rights and obligations acquired, assumed, granted or imposed by or upon either the City and County or the grantee by such resettlement franchise shall extend to all the territory now or hereafter included in said City and County so far as such territory may be occupied by such utility; or such franchise may provide for the extension of the terms thereof in the manner just described to such annexed or consolidated territory only as shall be contiguous by land to the City and County of San Francisco as now constituted.

17. In the negotiation, framing and passage of any such resettlement franchise the Board of Supervisors shall not be subject to or bound by the terms and conditions relating to franchise grants contained in Subdivisions 2 to 5 inclusive of Section 6 of this Chapter, but may, in its discretion, impose terms and conditions in addition to and different from, but not inconsistent with, the provisions of this section.

18. Any such resettlement franchise may be amended from time to time by Ordinance passed by the Board of Supervisors, approved by the Mayor and rat-
If allowed by the people in the manner herein prescribed for the passage of such franchise in the first instance; provided, that any such amendment shall not be effective unless accepted by the grantees of such franchise and that such amendment shall in no respect contravene the provisions of this Section.

That Sections 7a, 7b and 7c of Chapter II of Article III are hereby repealed.

**Charter Amendment No. 35.**

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County, as follows:

That Section 12 of Article XII is hereby amended to read as follows.

Section 12. At the time of levying the municipal tax, and in the manner provided for such tax levy, the Supervisors shall levy and collect annually a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on all bonds actually sold or authorized to be issued but unsold, and also such part of the actual or authorized bonded municipal indebtedness as will, under the terms of the bonds sold or authorized to be sold, fall due within the succeeding fiscal year and as may be necessary to provide for the sinking fund payments under the terms of said bonds, of the next succeeding fiscal year; provided that when the interest and sinking fund payments for any fiscal year on the bonds issued for any public utility can be met out of the surplus earnings of such public utility for the preceding fiscal year, no tax shall be levied for such purpose. Such taxes shall be in addition to all other taxes levied for municipal purposes, and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other municipal taxes are collected. Moneys realized from a tax levied to pay interest or sinking fund payments shall be expended only in paying bonded interest or making sinking fund payments, and shall not be used for any other purpose or purposes.

**Charter Amendment No. 36.**

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County as follows:

A new section is hereby added to Article XII of said Charter, to be known as Section 10a, to read as follows:

Section 10a. The Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sell certain bonds authorized at an election held September 29, 1903, and described as "Library Bonds," dated July 1, 1904, below the par value thereof, such price, however, not to be less than that which will net the purchaser four and one-half per cent per annum according to the standard table of bond values. The signatures of the officers in office at the time such bonds were dated affixed to such bonds shall be sufficient to establish their validity.

**Charter Amendment No. 37.**

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said City and County, at a special election to be held on the 10th day of December, 1912, a proposal to amend the Charter of said City and County, as follows:
That a new subdivision be added to Section 1 of Chapter II of Article II, designated as Subdivision 42, to read as follows:

Subdivision 42. To provide by ordinance for the establishment of a City Planning Commission, which shall devise plans for the improvement and beautification of San Francisco.

Members of said Planning Commission shall receive no compensation and shall not be subject to any prohibition forbidding officials from holding more than one office or position.

The Board of Supervisors shall prescribe the duties of said commission, the number and qualifications of the members thereof, and in general shall enact all legislation not expressly forbidden by this Charter or by general law necessary or incident to carrying into execution the propositions for which said City Planning Commission is instituted.
Statement Explaining Charter Amendments.
Issued by the Board of Supervisors.

To the People of San Francisco:

Here is an analysis and statement of provisions contained in the thirty-seven charter amendments submitted to the electors to be voted upon December 10, 1912.

This analysis is compiled from the records, accounts, and files of the City offices, so far as the amendments relate to financial matters.

The analysis of provisions of these amendments is a lucid statement of what the amendments contain—without argument for or against the adoption of the amendments.

The intent of the Board of Supervisors is to place the facts and figures before the people and let the voters decide whether or not these amendments shall become a part of the organic law of the City and County of San Francisco.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 1.

The purpose of Amendment No. 1 is to provide for the logical development of the Civic Center. In purchasing land within the boundaries of the Civic Center, justice and fair dealing to the present owners required the Board of Supervisors to make purchases of pieces of land of irregular shapes. Some of these pieces should properly be transferred to other uses than the location of City buildings. This amendment permits the exchange of such land only within the Civic Center district.

Two of the important buildings to be erected within the Civic Center are the Monumental Library and the State building. The Library Trustees now own a block of land just outside the boundaries of the Civic Center. Amendment No. 1 makes it possible to exchange an equivalent quantity of land with the Library Trustees and provide a better, more beautiful, and more accessible site for the Library. It is proposed by this exchange to locate the Commercial High School on the present Library site.

The State of California owns property now located near the center of the Civic Center, and as this amendment permits the City to exchange an equivalent with the State of California and on the new site to be allotted the State, it is expected there will be erected a State building, suitable in dignity and accommodation for the use of offices of the State of California, located in San Francisco. The State now spends $48,000 a year for rent of offices for the Railroad Commission and other important officers whose business require them to have headquarters in the metropolis. The City, by providing suitable and adequate site, may expect the State to erect a Monumental building within the Civic Center.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 2.

Amendment No. 2 gives the Board of Supervisors power to pass necessary ordinances to assist in making the Panama-Pacific Exposition a success. The amendment gives to the Exposition Company temporary use of the streets within the Exposition enclosure, and also provides for the enactment of proper ordinances governing the construction of buildings of the Exposition. The amendment also authorizes and directs the Board of Park Commissioners to transfer to the use of the Exposition the lands included in Lobos Square, said use to terminate not later than one year after the close of the Exposition.
CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 3.

Amendment No. 3 establishes a six year term for members of Commission hereafter appointed, one to go out each two years. Makes them removable for cause by Mayor and fourteen Supervisors, like elected officers, (or by courts in case of malfeasance). Powers of the Commission to protect the service against evasions increased by enlarging authority to name and classify positions according to duties, and grade them according to salaries. Brings laborers under the protection of the Commission by making them subject to an examination for physical qualifications and experience. Except in the Police and Fire Departments, authorizes the Commission to transfer disabled employees to lighter duties, instead of dismissing them when no longer able to perform the duties for which they were examined. Authorizes the Commission to remove from the eligible lists any person securing a place thereon by fraud. Entitles any civil service employee to a trial by the head of his department before dismissal, with right of appeal to the Civil Service Commission if unjustly dismissed. (Operating force of a public utility excepted from trial provisions.) Dismissal to be for incompetence, habitual intemperance, immoral conduct, insubordination, discourteous treatment of the public, inattention to duties. Payrolls to be verified by the Civil Service Commission to see that no persons are illegally employed. To prevent any attempt to evade the civil service by starving out the Commission, the Supervisors are required to appropriate $17,500 for expenses. (Appropriations for 1912-13, $21,000.) Increase of expenses by this amendment—none.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 4.

Amendment No. 4 reclassifies the employees in the departments included in this amendment, viz.: the Assessor, the Recorder, the Coroner, the County Clerk, and the Sheriff. The amendment provides for increases in salaries aggregating $10,300, but none of such increases apply to incumbent County officers, taking effect only after the expiration of their terms of office.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 5.

Amendment No. 5 is submitted to the people by petition, signed by approximately 45,000 petitioners. This amendment provides for the two-platoon system in the Fire Department, which would give the members in the Fire Department 12-hour watches. The added cost for the first year would be $533,490.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 6.

Amendment No. 6 provides for extension of public utility services to unsupplied territory. City owned utilities to be extended by bond issue, special tax or assessment district. Authorizes service of privately owned utilities to be extended at cost of properties benefitted, the structures so built to be owned by the city.

Provides for a Public Service Commission to construct and operate public utilities owned by the city, to regulate services on public utilities owned by private corporations, and to act as an expert advisory body to the Board of Supervisors in fixing rates for public utility services. The Public Service Commission will take charge of the harbor front if that property is turned over to the city. It is authorized to appoint a manager for each utility who shall be the executive head with full responsibility for operation.

Provides also for a special Board of Water Construction to build the Hetch Hetchy and Lake Eleanor system, operation of the system, when completed, to be turned over to the Public Service Commission.

The duties assigned by this amendment to the Public Service Commis-
sion and the Board of Water Construction are now placed by the charter in the Board of Public Works.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 7.

Amendment No. 7 provides that the Election Commissioners, the Registrar of Elections, and the deputies, shall refrain from active participation in politics, and reclassifies the deputies and clerks. The amendment provides for an increase in salaries of $10,000.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 8.

Amendment No. 8 relates to the offices of the Auditor, the Treasurer, the Tax Collector, and the City Attorney, and increases the salary of these officials as follows: Auditor, from $4,000 to $5,000; Treasurer, $4,000 to $5,000; Tax Collector, $4,000 to $5,000; City Attorney, $5,000 to $7,000. Including these increases for elective officers, which take effect only upon the expiration of the terms of the incumbent officials, the amendment provides for increases in the salaries of deputies and clerks aggregating $15,760.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 9.

Amendment No. 9 is submitted to the electors by petition. The amendment provides for the creation of a Department of Electricity, giving it control of all electrical systems owned by the City and County, fixing the duties of the Department, and also arbitrarily fixing the number of employees, and providing a pension for employees in the service twenty years. Exclusive of pensions, the amendment provides for an annual increase of $46,814.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 10.

Amendment No. 10 provides that a member of the Police Department other than a Captain of Police may be appointed Lieutenant of Detectives at a salary of $2,400 a year, an increase of $600 per year. It also provides that the Chief of Police may appoint fifteen additional detective sergeants at increased salary.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 11.

Amendment No. 11 increases the salary of Chief of Police from $4,000 to $6,000 a year.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 12.

Amendment No. 12 appropriates $2,500 for celebration of Fourth of July; $500 for Memorial Day, and $1,000 for the celebration of Admission Day.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 13.

Amendment No. 13 provides that all persons in the employ of the City must be residents of San Francisco for one year prior to such employment, except that experts may be employed for special purposes by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, approved by the Mayor, and such experts shall be exempt from the one-year residence qualification.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 14.

Amendment No. 14 provides that bonds issued for a water system in addition to those for the Panama-Pacific Exposition now exempted shall be exempt from the provision which limits bonded indebtedness to 15 per cent. of the assessment roll.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 15.

This amendment changes the date of levying the municipal tax from the last Monday in June to the first Monday in September. This change is made to conform to the State law. It further provides that the dollar limit
of taxation may be suspended by a vote of fourteen Supervisors, instead of by unanimous vote, as at present, for the specific purposes of levying a tax for the support of public schools, erection of public buildings, construction of utilities, acquisition of lands, construction of tunnels and subways, construction, repair and cleaning of sewers, repairs and maintenance of streets, and to meet salary increases voted by the people. It also provides that the Supervisors may submit to the voters an ordinance providing for the levy of a tax to be collected in not to exceed ten annual installments.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 16.

Amendment No. 16 provides that the Board of Supervisors may levy a tax of not exceeding 10 cents on each $100 for the maintenance of parks. The present limit is seven cents.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 17.

Amendment No. 17 increases the pension fund for exempt firemen $2,500 per year.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 18.

This amendment is made necessary by certain grave defects in Chapter III, Article VI, of the Charter as it now exists, which make it practically impossible to enforce any assessment levied for the purpose of opening, extending, widening or closing of public streets.

The proposed amendment enlarges the power of the City so that a public street may be opened or widened, and the street work done in the same proceeding, instead of the costly double proceeding now necessary; and provided that two or more streets laid out in pursuance of one general plan may be opened in one proceeding, a provision necessary for the successful carrying out of the Civic Center plan; and provides a feasible method for levying and enforcing the assessment to defray the costs and damages thereof in harmony with the latest State legislation on the subject, instead of the impractical plan now provided in the Charter.

The amendment is deemed absolutely necessary for the accomplishment of the Civic Center plan, for the tunnel projects and for all public work involving the opening, extending, widening or closing of streets, and without it the City is powerless to effect any such improvements.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 19.

This amendment makes more clear, certain and effective the present provisions of Chapter VIII of Article VI of the Charter.

The amendment provides that tunnels, subways and viaducts may be constructed, and the lands necessary and convenient therefor may be acquired in one proceeding instead of two costly proceedings, as now, and that the assessment for the acquisition of lands and rights of way may also be paid in installments, as is now the case only with reference to the actual tunnel construction. It defines more clearly what lands and rights of way may be acquired as necessary and convenient for a tunnel; and places important restrictions upon the use of tunnels by street railway companies; provides that an exclusive franchise shall not be granted to any street railroad company for using a tunnel, that two or more lines of street railroads operated under different managements may be permitted to use a tunnel and five consecutive blocks approaching each end under certain stringent safeguards, and that the City and County may use any such tunnel in the operation of a municipal railroad; and that two or more tunnels to be constructed in pursuance of one general plan may be so constructed in one proceeding.
CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 20.

Under the amendment adopted in 1910 it was provided that assessments for street work could be paid in installments, but it has been found that in applying any scheme for payment in installments, nothing might be accomplished, by reason that a provision in the Charter prohibited the levying of any assessment in any one year exceeding 50 per cent. of the assessed value of the land to be assessed. This would retard the doing of necessary street work in the outlying districts. So the amendment proposed provides that when the assessment for street work permits the payment thereof in installments, the limitation contained in Subdivision 3 of Section 8, Chapter II of Article VI, shall not affect such assessment.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 21.

The purpose of this amendment is to facilitate the performance of street or any other kind of public work, or the opening of streets or the acquisition of property, the cost of which is to be assessed upon private property, and the cost of which shall exceed $500,000.

The amendment provides that the assessments for doing such work may be paid in annual installments, thus lightening the burden upon property owners. In such cases, however, as the City is not obligated, bids to do the work will be correspondingly higher. A great saving to the property owners could be effected if the work could be done on a cash basis.

This amendment proposes that the City should lend its credit to facilitate the performance and economize the cost of great public improvements inaugurated by itself.

This amendment does not authorize the issuance of bonds. It is an enabling act under which, by a vote of two-thirds of the voters, bonds may be issued to cover the expenses and costs of any given improvement. These bonds will bear not more than five per cent. interest. The work can thus be constructed upon a cash basis.

The assessment to cover these costs and expenses will be levied as in other cases, and may be payable in installments. The City will collect the assessment and as fast as collected the bonds so issued will be retired. As a result, while the City will pledge its full faith and credit for the performance of these public works, it will be protected by and reimbursed from the assessment levied in each case. As the City will pay these bonds from the assessment levied in each case, the amendment will not affect the rate of taxation, and such bonds will be no part of the debt limited by Section 9 of Article XII of the Charter.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 22.

Amendment No. 22 permits the sale of a portion of the Relief Home Tract, said portion not being usable or adapted to the needs of the Relief Home. This amendment makes it possible to open streets through certain sections of the Relief Home Tract. The proceeds from the sale of such portion of the Relief Home Tract to be used exclusively for the purchase of certain lands adjoining said Relief Home Tract.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 23.

Amendment No. 23 forbids any partisan or sex qualification for appointment to office or position in the City government, and amends the Charter to conform to the Equal Suffrage provision of the Constitution.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 24.

Amendment No. 24 provides that the City Attorney shall prosecute actions for the collection of taxes.
CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 25.
Amendment No. 25 relates to Justices Court and Justices of the Peace, and enacts into the Charter the provisions in the State Constitution.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 26.
Amendment No. 26 provides a pension for the family of a policeman or fireman who is killed in the performance of his duties, and who dies within one year after being injured.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 27.
Amendment No. 27 is submitted to the electors by petition, and provides for local option for districts.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 28.
Amendment No. 28 provides that the Board of Police Commissioners, the Board of Fire Commissioners and the Board of Health shall each consist of three members, to be appointed by the Mayor, such commissioners each to serve three years. It also provides that the Fire Commissioners shall issue permits for oil tanks, laundries, garages, and engines and boilers, provided that the Board of Supervisors may, by a vote of fifteen members, review, modify, or annul the action of the commissioners in granting or refusing to grant such permits.

The amendment also provides that the Board of Health shall grant permits for stables or any other lawful business which is subject to sanitary regulations, provided that the action of the Board in granting or refusing to grant any such permits may be modified, reviewed or annulled by fifteen members of the Board of Supervisors.

The amendment further provides for an increase in the salary of the Secretary of the Police Commission from $1,500 a year to $2,400 a year. It further provides that the three members of the Board of Health shall each receive $1,200 per year. The reduction of the Police and Fire Commissions to three members each makes a saving of $2,400 a year. The net increase being $2,100 a year.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 29.
The vast extension in suffrage makes it necessary that the facilities for registration of voters at places outside of the main office should be extended and increased, and especially for such registration at night time, and to accomplish this the above amendment is proposed. The provision as to vacations is limited to permanent employees, who are only fourteen in number, and in every department in the city, as well as in all well-regulated private business, a vacation is given to those whose work continues the year round. This vacation is limited to two weeks, and is the same as now given in other departments to yearly employees, but it has been ascertained by opinion of the City Attorney that there is a defect in the present law with reference to this matter in the Department of Elections, and this portion of this amendment is directed to remedy such defect, and do the same justice in this Department as is already in operation in other departments.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 30.
Amendment No. 30 empowers the Board of Supervisors to establish by ordinance a Bureau of Supplies, which shall make all purchases for the City departments; to prescribe forms for Demands and Pay Checks, and the manner in which they shall be drawn, and further provides that the Supervisors may prescribe a uniform system of accounting for the City government.
CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 31.

Amendment No. 31 gives the Board of Police Commissioners power to initiate and conduct investigations relating to the Police Department, to issue subpoenas, to take testimony, to report contumacious conduct to the presiding Judge of the Superior Court, said Court to have jurisdiction and power to punish in the alleged contempt.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 32.

Amendment No. 32 provides that the Central Fire Alarm Signal Station may be located in Jefferson Square. The Park Commission is willing that this shall be done. It is intended to construct an attractive signal station, which will be one of the "show" places of the City, and at the same time be isolated, so that no danger of destruction by fire will exist. The proposed structure will beautify the park and will occupy very little space. This proposal will save the purchase of a suitable piece of land for a signal station, which land the City Engineer estimates will cost $80,000. It is proposed to make the signal station conform to park usage by constructing in connection with it a convenience station.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 33.

Amendment No. 33 provides that the Department of Public Works shall be under the direction and management of the Director of Public Works, who shall be appointed by and hold office at the pleasure of the Mayor. The Director of Public Works shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board of Supervisors upon recommendation by the Mayor, not to exceed $15,000 a year. The Director of Works shall establish bureaus and shall hold public meetings at least once a week, at which heads of bureaus shall be present, and advise concerning the work of the department. The Director of Works shall appoint a Secretary at a salary of $250 a month.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 34.

Amendment No. 34 is an enabling act regulating, first, the grant of original public utility franchises, and second, the grant of a resettlement franchise.

Before any franchise can be granted, this amendment requires that the general conditions and restrictions to be placed in all franchises must be established by an ordinance, submitted to the people and ratified by majority vote. Further and particular conditions may be imposed in each franchise, and any franchise must be submitted to a referendum vote if such action is demanded by the Mayor, or by six Supervisors, or by a petition of five per cent of the electors. A resettlement franchise and any new grant to replace an existing grant must be ratified by the people before it becomes valid.

The amendment is based on the city's declared policy of ultimate municipal ownership. All franchises require a three-fourths vote of the Board of Supervisors. If vetoed by the Mayor they can be passed over the veto only by a five-sixths vote. They are then subject to the referendum above described if called for within sixty days. The right of the city to take over the franchise and property at any time is expressly stipulated, and in order that this power of purchase may be something more than mere power on paper, it is required that provision shall be made in the franchise itself for the accumulation of purchase fund out of earnings so that the property will actually be paying for itself, and the city will be getting into a better position in regard to it every year.

Actual investment of capital in any public utility enterprise is pro-
tected, and allowed to earn a fair return and be sure of not losing in the end. The existing provision that the property in the streets shall revert to the city without payment at the expiration of twenty-five years is eliminated, and in place of it is put a more elastic provision that part or all of the capital must be retired within the twenty-five year maximum period for original grants, but that if the capital has not all been retired within that time, and if the city does not choose to buy the property, the holder of the franchise shall have time to get his money out, but not exceeding fifteen years.

Provision for the eight-hour day for employees is retained, the eight hours to be completed in not more than ten hours, except in the operating force of the street railroads, where it must be completed in not more than thirteen hours. The exception was inserted for the reason that the extra men in street railroad service are employed only at the morning and evening rush hours, and these come at opposite ends of a thirteen hour period. Wages are left to be settled in each individual franchise or by negotiations between employers and employees. It is, however, provided that nothing shall prohibit overtime employment to be paid at one and one-half times the regular rate. This does not prohibit a higher rate for overtime by agreement between employer and employees. Security for performance of all conditions of a franchise is to be required.

Resettlement franchises may be granted on surrender of existing franchises. They must provide for an agreement on a resettlement value. The city must be allowed to purchase on six months' notice at this agreed value plus any additions and minus any depreciation. Grantees must provide for paying off all intangible values within twenty years, and all values of fixed property in original appraisal within forty years. The city is to control operation and to have the power to require extensions. If owner of a franchise does not give satisfactory service, the franchise may provide that the city can give right of purchase to another, on payment of a bonus. Permission for such transfer must be submitted to the voters for ratification. A resettlement franchise does not become valid until ratified by the people.

Under the charter as it stands, no franchise can be granted for supply of light or water service.

**CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 35.**

Amendment No. 35 provides that the Board of Supervisors shall levy a tax to pay interest on all bonds sold, or authorized to be issued, but unsold, where the interest or redemption of said bonds falls due within the succeeding fiscal year. This provision is to overcome a recent ruling of the Supreme Court, which ordered the rebate of taxes for interest on 1904 bonds. Its adoption will mean the saving of great sums in interest charges.

**CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 36.**

Amendment No. 36 provides that the 3½ per cent. library bonds of 1904 may be sold at a discount basis which will not exceed a 4½ per cent. interest charge on the City. This provision does not apply to any other bonds, and is intended to facilitate the construction of the monumental public library in the Civic Center.

**CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 37.**

Amendment No. 37 provides for the creation of a City Planning Commission, said commissioners to serve without pay. It provides further that the Board of Supervisors shall enact the necessary legislation to create this Commission, which is to suggest and devise plans for a City Beautiful.