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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Port-of-Spain Corporation (Temporary).

No. 25.—1914.

29th May.

AN ORDINANCE to provide temporarily for elections and other matters under the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance, 1914.



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GEORGE R. LE HUNTE,

GOVERNOR.

25th June, 1914.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the Port-of-Spain Corporation (temporary purposes) Ordinance, 1914. Short Title and Interpretation.

(2.) In this Ordinance “the Principal Ordinance” means the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance, 1914.

2. In construing the principal Ordinance, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein contained, the following provisions shall apply:— Construction of Principal Ordinance.

(1.) From the date of the commencement of the Principal Ordinance until the first day of November, 1914, the Council shall consist of eleven members, who shall be the eleven members then constituting the Town Board, and the Constitution of Council.



Council shall, at a meeting to be held as soon as may be after the commencement of this Ordinance, appoint one of their members to be the Chairman, and such Chairman shall, until the election of the Mayor on the 5th November, 1914, under the provisions of the Principal Ordinance, have and exercise all the powers, and discharge all the duties vested in and imposed upon the Mayor under the last named Ordinance.

Provided that in case of any vacancy caused by death, resignation or any other cause among the members constituting the Council between the commencement of this Ordinance and the 1st day of November, 1914, or in case any such member shall between such dates be absent on leave, the Governor may nominate a person to fill such vacancy or to act as Councillor in the place and during the absence of such Councillor, as the case may be.

(2.) From the first day of November, 1914 to the first day of November, 1915 the Council shall consist of fifteen Councillors, of whom eleven shall be nominated by the Governor and four shall be elected.

Election of
Aldermen.

(3.) On the 5th day of November, 1914, the Councillors shall elect 5 fit persons to be Aldermen, and from and after the election of such Aldermen, the Council shall consist of 5 Aldermen and 15 Councillors.

Retirement of
nominated
Councillors.

(4.) Four nominated members shall retire on the first day of November, 1915, four more on the first day of November, 1916, and the remaining three on the first day of November, 1917, the retiring members being replaced each year by an equal number of elected Councillors.

Selection of
nominated
Councillors to
retire.

(5.) The names of the members who are to retire in the years 1915 and 1916 under the preceding sub-section shall be selected by lot, not later than the 1st day of October in each of those years from among the nominated members in office.

Vacancies
among
nominated
Councillors.

(6.)—(a.) In case of any vacancy caused by death, resignation or any other cause, among the nominated members of the Council, the Governor may nominate a Councillor to fill such vacancy.

(b.) In case of the absence on leave of any nominated member of the Council, the Governor may appoint some person to be provisionally a councillor during the absence on leave of such Councillor.

(7.) A nominated Councillor shall not be liable to any fine in respect of his refusal to accept or of his resignation of a corporate office or of his absence from the city without leave of the Council.

Nominated
Councillors
not liable to
certain fines.

(8.) On the first day of November 1914 there shall be elected one Councillor for each of the following wards, namely, the Southern Ward, the Northern Ward, the North-eastern Ward and the South-eastern Ward; on the first day of November 1915 there shall be elected one Councillor for each of the following wards, namely, the Western Ward, the Southern Ward, the Northern Ward and the North-eastern Ward; on the first day of November 1916 there shall be elected one Councillor for each of the following wards, namely, the South-eastern Ward, the Western Ward, the Southern Ward and the Northern Ward, and on the first day of November 1917 there shall be elected one Councillor for each of the following wards, namely, the North-eastern Ward, the South-eastern Ward and the Western Ward.

Allocation of
elected mem-
bers.

(9.) Casual vacancies amongst Aldermen or elected Councillors shall be filled in the manner provided by the Principal Ordinance.

Vacancies
amongst
Aldermen or
elected Coun-
cillors.

(10.) At the election to be held in November 1918, the five elected Councillors who have been longest on the Council as such elected Councillors shall retire, notwithstanding that they may not have served for three years on the Council.

Retirement of
elected Coun-
cillors.

Provided that, for the purposes of this section, where two or more elected Councillors have been on the Council for the same period of time without re-election, that one of such Councillors shall be deemed to have been longest on the Council who was elected by the smallest number of votes.

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Extension of
time for lodger
claims.

(11.) For the purposes of the Burgess List to be prepared on the 31st July, 1914, claims by persons claiming to be entitled to be entered in the Burgess List in respect of the lodger qualification may be sent in at any time not later than the 15th July, 1914.

Application of
Principal
Ordinance.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, the Principal Ordinance shall apply to the Council as constituted under this Ordinance in all respects as if it were constituted in the manner provided in the Principal Ordinance.

Commence-
ment.

4. This Ordinance shall commence and come into operation on a day to be proclaimed in the *Royal Gazette* by the Governor.

Passed in Council this Twenty-ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

HARRY L. KNAGGS,
Clerk of the Council.