

CHAPTER 44.

BURLINGTON.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Charter amended—aldermen to classify—election of.** That the charter of the city of Burlington be, and the same is hereby so amended as to authorize and require the present board of aldermen of said city to classify, in order that one half of said aldermen shall be elected each year, in the manner and at the time now provided by said charter and its amendments.

SEC. 2. **Time to classify—manner—limitation.** The classification shall take place at such time as may be agreed upon by the present city council, and in such manner as they may determine; provided, that said classification shall take place before the first Monday in February, 1855.

SEC. 3. **Order—first—manner—drawing—term—all wards.** In Classifying, they shall take the wards in numerical order, from No. 1, up: the aldermen in the first ward shall first classify in the following manner: the recorder shall write on two slips of paper, on one the word one and on the [57] other the word two, shall fold them and deposit them in a hat box, or other place, and the aldermen from said ward shall then draw; the one drawing the paper with the word two shall continue in office for two years from the time of his election, and until his successor is elected and qualified; and they shall so proceed to classify until all the wards of said city shall be classified.

SEC. 4. **New wards—classify.** When new wards shall be organized in said city, and aldermen elected, they shall classify in the manner above provided.

SEC. 5. **Extension of term.** The aldermen drawing the long term shall be, and they are hereby invested with all the powers of aldermen, as fully as though they were again elected and qualified.

SEC. 6. **Term of aldermen.** The aldermen hereafter to be elected, shall be elected for two years from their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 7. **Removal.** A removal out of the ward by any alderman shall vacate the seat of said alderman, which shall be filled as now provided by the charter.

SEC. 8. **Authentication of ordinances—prima facie.** The production of a printed copy of any ordinance of said city, in newspaper, book or pamphlet form, in any suit to which the city is a party, shall be prima facie evidence that said ordinance has been legally passed and published.

SEC. 9. **Take effect—publication paid by city—repeal.** This act shall take effect and be in force from its publication in the Burlington Gazette, and to be paid for by said city; and all acts, or parts of acts, heretofore passed, conflicting with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved January, 17th 1855.

I certify that the foregoing act was published in the Burlington Gazette on 23d January, 1855.
GEO. W. McCLEARY, Secretary of State.