Council upon the petition of a majority of the proprietors as aforesaid, the proprietors whose properties shall have thus been declared included shall possess all the municipal advantages and be subject to all the obligations, dues and duties imposed upon persons and properties originally in-5 cluded in the said City.

V. The Mayor and the Councillors of the said City at present in office lor and Officers shall remain, and they are hereby continued, in office for the whole of the fice, and By law period for which they have been elected in virtue of the sixteenth Vic-force, notwithtoria chapter two hundred and thirty-six, notwithstanding the repeal of of former acts. 10 the said Act, and the officers appointed by the said Mayor and Town

- Council shall remain, and they are hereby continued, in their respective situations until the formal revocation by the said Council, or the natural expiration, of their appointments; and all By-laws, ordinances, agreements, provisions and engagements whatsoever made and entered into by the said
- 15 present Mayor and Council, or their predecessors in office, shall have and continue to have their full and entire effect in the same way as if the said Acts, thirteenth and fourteenth Victoria, chapter one hundred and five, and sixteenth Victoria chapter two hundred and thirty six had not been repealed; and this until the said By-laws, agreements and engage-20 ments shall have been regularly rescinded and abolished; and the said Council, as constituted in virtue of this Act, shall succeed to and be substituted in all the rights, powers, actions and claims of the Town Council of Saint Hyacinthe as it was constituted by the thirteenth and fourteenth Victoria

25 chapter two hundred and thirty-six.

VI. There shall be elected in the manner hereinafter mentioned a fit and Elections of proper person to be, and who shall be called, the Mayor of St.-Hyacinthe, Councillors. and two fit and proper persons to be Councillors for each Ward of the said City; provided always, that as soon as the extent of territory mentioned in 30 the fourth section shall have been included, as prescribed by the said clause, within the limits of the said City, the said extent of territory shall form a Ward by the name of "Ward number five," and the Municipal Electors of the said extent of territory shall elect, in the same manner and at the same time as the other Wards of the said City; and provided also, that when any one of the Wards of the said City shall contain more than two hundred and

fifty Municipal Electors, such Ward shall have a right to elect three Councillors.

VII. No person shall be elected Mayor of the City of St. Hyacinthe Qualification of 40 without having resided and kept house in the said City during one year preceding such election, nor without having and possessing for his own use property in the said City of the assessed value of two hundred and fifty pounds currency.

VIII. The Councillors of the said City shall be chosen from among the Councillors. 45 inhabitant householders and proprietors of the said City, of the age of twentyone years, and having freeholds therein of the assessed value of one han-