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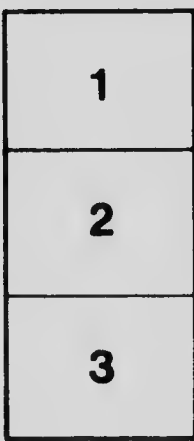
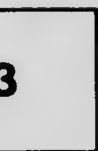
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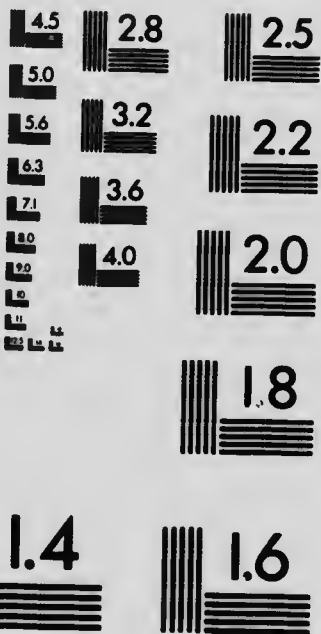


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—OF THE—

Citizens' Electoral Association



NAME.

1. The name of this Organization shall be the "CITIZENS' ELECTORAL ASSOCIATION" (hereinafter referred to as "the Association").

AIM AND OBJECT.

2. The aim and object of the Association shall be to secure the election of candidates for public office, who are well-qualified and public-spirited citizens, and who may be depended upon to safeguard and promote not only the economic, but also the moral and social, welfare of the citizens. The organized support of the Association shall, in its discretion, be given to such candidates as, in its opinion, fulfil the above qualifications, whether such candidates be nominated, or induced to accept nomination, by the Association or otherwise.

MEMBERSHIP.

3. Each Organization within the City of Vancouver which is in sympathy with the above aim and object and is willing to co-operate for the achievement thereof, is eligible to join the Association, subject to the right of the Executive of the Association to decide as to its eligibility from time to time. Each Organization desiring to join the Association shall make written application in that behalf to the Executive. Every Organization duly admitted to membership shall be entitled to representation in the Association by three of its members delegated or chosen to attend the Central Body of the Association, and accredited in writing by the official head of such Organization. In this and subsequent clauses the word "Organization" shall, where the context so requires or admits, be deemed to mean and include a Church Congregation, Society, League, or other Body.

WARD BRANCHES.

4. A Branch of the Association may, under the supervision of the Executive, be organized in each Ward of the City. Each Ward Branch shall, for purposes of administration, be constituted of representatives from each Organization in the Ward belonging to the Association, the number of such representatives to be three or such greater number as

the Ward Branch may think fit to allow from each Organization, such representatives to be accredited in writing by the official head of the Organization. Each Ward Branch is empowered to elect such Officers and Committee as it may think fit, and likewise to organize its members, hold meetings and administer its affairs within the Ward, subject, however, at all times to the control and directions of the Executive of the Association. Every person who is a member or adherent of any Organization belonging to the Association is eligible as a member of the Ward Branch of the Association within whose district his or her Organization is located. The representatives constituting each Ward Branch as aforesaid shall, out of their number, respectively, elect annually not later than 31st October, three delegates to represent such Ward Branch as members of the Executive of the Association; the Secretary, for the time being, of the Ward Branch shall be ex-officio one such delegates.

FUNDS.

5. Each Organization belonging to the Association shall contribute, on its admission to membership, and thereafter annually not later than the 20th October, a sum of three dollars (\$3.00) to the funds of the Association. The funds of the Association shall consist of such contributions and of such fur-

ther moneys as may be contributed or donated by any such Organization or by any supporters of the Association.

ADMINISTRATION.

6. The policy, funds and affairs of the Association shall be controlled and directed by an Executive, which shall consist of the Officers hereinafter mentioned and the three delegates from each Ward Branch as afore-said. The Executive shall meet at least monthly, such meetings to be called by the Secretary by order of the President, or on the written direction of at least five members of the Executive. Such written notice of its meetings as the Executive shall deem reasonable shall be given by the Secretary to the members of the Executive. Any member of the Executive absenting himself from three consecutive meetings of the Executive without explanation satisfactory to the Executive shall forfeit his membership of the Executive. The quorum of the Executive shall be five members personally present.

The Association shall hold its annual meeting on the first Thursday in November in each year, at which meeting the Report and Balance Sheet of the past term shall be presented by the Executive, and the Officers of the Association shall be elected, and such other business transacted as may be properly brought before such meeting. Special Meet-

ings of the Association may be called by the Executive at any time in its discretion, and the Executive shall call a Special Meeting of the Association in due course if required to do so by a requisition (which shall specify the purpose of such intended meeting) signed by at least ten duly accredited members representing Organizations belonging to the Association. At least seven days' notice of any such Special Meeting shall be given by the Executive to the various Organizations belonging to the Association, and such notice shall, if deemed expedient by the Executive, specify the business to be submitted to such meeting. The Executive shall, from time to time, be subject to any special directions given by resolution of any meeting of the Association decided by the vote of two-thirds of the duly accredited members personally present at such meeting. Only such members of Organizations belonging to the Association as are duly accredited and delegated or chosen as aforesaid to attend the Central Body of the Association, shall be entitled to speak and vote at the meetings of the Association, provided that any member of the Executive of the Association who may not, as a representative of an Organization belonging to the Association, have been delegated or chosen to attend the Central Body of the Association as well as the Ward Branch, shall nevertheless be entitled (as well as his co-mem-

bers of the Executive) to speak and vote at the meetings of the Association. The Executive shall from time to time appoint an Auditor or Auditors to audit the accounts of the Association.

OFFICERS.

7. The Officers of the Association (to be elected at its Annual Meeting) shall consist of a President, a First, a Second and a Third Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom must be a representative of some Organization belonging to the Association.

REPRESENTATIVES AND VACANCIES.

8. The personnel of any of its representatives, whether to the Central Body of the Association or to the Ward Branch, may from time to time be changed by any Organization as it may think fit. The personnel of its representatives to the Central Body may, if the Organization so desires or thinks fit, be different either in whole or in part from the personnel of the representatives from such Organization to the Ward Branch. The Executive shall have power to fill any vacancy which may from time to time occur among the Officers of the Association. Any vacancy which may from time to time occur among the members or delegates representing any Organization or Ward Branch

shall, as soon as practicable, be filled by the Organization or Ward Branch respectively affected by such vacancy.

AMENDMENTS.

9. Any clause of this Constitution and Rules may be altered, or amended, or a new clause added by the vote of two-thirds of the duly accredited representatives of any Organization who are personally present at any meeting of the Association, and entitled to vote thereat as aforesaid, provided that notice of such intended alteration, amendment, or addition shall have been given in writing and announced at the next preceding meeting of the Association.

The foregoing Constitution and Rules were duly approved and adopted at a meeting of the Association held on the 23rd day of March, 1915.

PATRICK DONNELLY,
First Vice-President and Chairman.

W. H. MacINNES,
Secretary.

A. H. CASEY,
Honorary Legal Adviser.



