

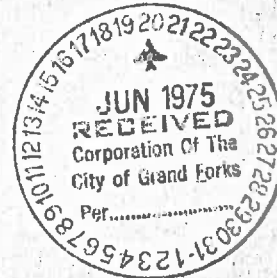


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June 18, 1975

Mr. W. Slater,
c/o City Hall,
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Box 220,
Grand Forks, B.C.
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Dear Mr. Slater:

Further to your recent request, enclosed is a copy of the Letters Patent providing for the incorporation of the City of Grand Forks, along with a copy of all amendments thereto.

Yours very truly,

N. A. McCrimmon
Administrative Officer
Administrative Services

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CANADA

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

EDWARD VII., by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions Beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these presents shall come.- GREETING.

D.M. EBERTS }
Attorney-General } WHEREAS it is provided by section 3 of chapter 29 of the Statutes of 1902, being the "Grand Forks and Columbia Amalgamation Act, 1902", that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council forthwith after the passing of said Act, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to incorporate into a City, under the name of "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks", all the lands at the passing of said Act comprised within the corporate limits of the Cities of Columbia and Grand Forks; that, save as in said Act provided, such Letters Patent shall have the same force and effect as Letters Patent issued under the provisions and after compliance with the formalities of chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia and amendments thereto, notwithstanding that such formalities have not been observed or are inapplicable; and that the said Letters Patent shall fix the first day of January, 1903, as the date of such incorporation:

And whereas the Honourable Sir HENRI GUSTAVE JOLY De LOTBINIERE, Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, under and by virtue of the powers and authority conferred upon him by the said Acts, and of all other powers and authority himin that behalf enabling, hath ordered that all those parcels or tracts of land on the twenty-

second day of April, 1902, comprised within the corporate limits of the Cities of Columbia and Grand Forks, and the inhabitants thereof, shall, on, from and after the first day of January, 1903, be incorporated as a City Municipality, and hath made further provision to the tenor and effect hereinafter appearing:

NOW KNOW YE, that by these presents We do hereby order and proclaim that the said parcels or tracts of land, and the inhabitants thereof, shall, on, from and after the first day of January, 1903, be incorporated as a City Municipality, under the name of "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks", under and subject to the provisions of the said Acts and under and subject to the provisions hereinafter contained or referred to.

The Council of the said new Municipality shall consist for the period of two years after incorporation, of a Mayor and six Aldermen; two Aldermen to be elected from each of the wards mentioned in paragraph 11 in Schedule A of said Chapter 29; four members of said Council shall constitute a quorum, and after the expiration of said period the said Council shall be subject, as to number and representation, to the provisions of the "Municipal Clauses Act" and amendments.

The nomination for the first election of a Mayor and Aldermen shall be held in the building in which the Clerk of the existing City of Grand Forks has his office as such Clerk, on the fifteenth day of January, 1903, from twelve o'clock noon until two o'clock P.M., and the polling (if any) shall be at said building on the twenty-second day of January, 1903, and shall continue for one day only, and the polls shall be kept open between the hours of nine o'clock A.M. and half-past seven o'clock

P.M., and Ernest Miller, of the said City of Grand Forks, Esquire, shall be the Returning Officer, and William B. Bowser, of the said City of Grand Forks, Esquire, John Aylmer McCallum, of the said City of Columbia, Esquire, and H.C. Kerman, Esquire, shall be Deputy Returning Officers thereat.

The persons entitled to vote at said election shall be the persons whose names appear on the voters' lists prepared under the provisions of section 25 and following sections of said chapter 29.

Each person whose name appears in the list prepared under the provisions of said section 25 shall be entitled to vote for Mayor and for two Aldermen to be elected to represent the ward in which his name appears in said list: Provided always that he shall not cast more than one vote in favour of any one candidate, or vote on more than one occasion: Provided further, that in distributing into the respective wards of the new City the names appearing on the several voters' lists mentioned in said section 25, the Returning Officer shall have regard to the qualifications in respect of which such names were entered on such voters' lists, and in case no municipal record shall be produced to him in evidence of such qualifications to enable him to determine to which ward any such names should in such manner be assigned, the Returning Officer shall have power to require such evidence by statutory declaration, or otherwise, as he may deem proper, to show to which ward or wards such name should so be assigned; and in default of such evidence, after such notice, public or other, as he may deem sufficient, the Returning Officer may refuse or omit to enter such name in any ward except upon order, under section 11 of the Municipal Elections Act, but shall forthwith enter it instead upon the list to be prepared by him of such names, and the persons whose

names are so entered shall thereby become entitled to vote for Mayor, but not for Aldermen, of said new City.

The qualifications and disqualifications for nomination and election as mayor and Aldermen respectively at the said first election, shall be those applicable by virtue of the "Municipal Clauses Act" in respect of elections subsequent to the first election.

The Mayor and Aldermen, elected at the first election shall hold office until his successor, or a majority of their successors, have been sworn in, unless he or they shall die or resign or become disqualified.

At least six days' notice of the time and place of nomination and of holding of the poll (if any) shall be given by the said Returning Officer; such notice shall be posted during that period in the manner provided by section 30 of the "Municipal Elections Act".

The Returning Officer shall, on the day of nomination, at 2 o'clock P.M., announce the names of the persons put in nomination in that behalf as candidates for the offices of Mayor and Aldermen, as prescribed by the "Municipal Elections Act".

At the close of the time for nominating the candidates the Returning Officer shall deliver to every candidate, or agent of a candidate, applying for the same, a duly certified list of the names of the several candidates who shall have been nominated; and any votes given at the election for any other candidates than those so nominated shall be null and void.

If, at the expiration of the time appointed for the election as aforesaid, no more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up, the Returning Officer shall

forthwith declare the candidates who may stand nominated to be elected, and return their names to the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

No speeches or interruption to the proceedings of nominating candidates at the hustings shall be permitted by the Returning Officer between the reading of the notice of election and the closing of the proceedings on nomination day by the Returning Officer.

If, at the expiration of such time, more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up, the Returning Officer shall declare the names of the candidates, and publicly proclaim the day previously stated in his proclamation, and the place at which the poll shall be so opened in the municipality, for the purpose of taking the votes of the electors according to law; and shall then adjourn the election, and shall take a poll by ballot, and shall cause to be posted up notices of his having granted such poll, indicating the names, residences and occupations of the candidates so nominated, in the order in which they shall be printed on the ballot papers, which notices shall, as soon as possible after the nomination, be placarded in all the places where the proclamation for the election was posted up.

If, after the adjournment of the election by the Returning Officer for the purpose of taking a poll, one of the candidates nominated shall die before the poll has commenced, the Returning Officer shall, upon being satisfied of the fact of such death, countermand notice of the poll, and all the proceedings with reference to the election shall be commenced afresh: Provided that no fresh nomination shall be necessary in

the case of a candidate who stood nominated at the time of the countermand of the poll.

In case of a poll being held the candidates (duly qualified) who shall obtain the greatest number of votes shall be Mayor and Municipal Aldermen respectively.

In the event of the number of votes being found to have been equal for any two or more candidates, one or more of whom, but not all such candidates, being by the state of the poll entitled to be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall by a casting vote or votes, as the case may be, decide which of the candidates for whom the votes may be equal shall be elected: Provided that the said Returning Officer shall not vote except in case of an equality of votes as aforesaid.

All expenses attendant upon the said election shall be borne by the said "The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks".

The opening of the ballot boxes and counting the votes shall be in the presence of the candidates if they attend for that purpose.

The Returning Officer, after the declaration of the poll, shall retain the ballot papers and boxes until a Clerk shall be duly appointed, to whom he shall forthwith deliver the same.

Any vacancy in the office of Mayor or Alderman shall be filled as provided by the "Municipal Elections Act".

The first meeting of the Council shall be on the first Saturday after the day of election, at the building in which the nomination shall be held, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

All the provisions of chapters 68, 143 and 144 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia and amendments thereto shall

apply to the Municipality of the new City except when the provisions of such Acts are repugnant to the provisions of said chapter 29.

All rights and powers held, enjoyed or exercised by both or either of the said Cities of Columbia and Grand Forks by virtue of the Statutes under which they, or either of them, were incorporated, or by virtue of any other law or statute, and all rights and powers conferred by law or public statute now in force upon City Municipalities within British Columbia shall, upon incorporation, be forthwith vested in the new City.

NOW FURTHER KNOW YE that, under and by virtue of the powers conferred by section 13 of said chapter 29 of the Statutes of 1902, and of all other powers and authority in that behalf, and upon the nomination of the City of Columbia, we do hereby appoint Charles Hay, Esquire, John Aylmer McCallum, Esquire, and Isaac A. Dinsmore, Esquire, Commissioners for the purposes (other) mentioned in said section 13 and sections of said Act, and in Schedule A to said Act, and with the powers, authority and functions conferred by said sections and Schedule, and with such other powers, authority and functions as shall be found necessary to carry out said purposes and which We are authorised by said Act to confer.

The said Commissioners shall receive such reasonable remuneration for their services as shall be fixed under section 78 of chapter 187 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, which, by said chapter 29, is made applicable hereto.

Each Commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give security to His Majesty the King for the

due performance of his duties, and for the due accounting for all moneys received in the performance of said duties, by a bond of an incorporated Guarantee Company approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, in the sum of five thousand dollars.

Worthwith after giving security as aforesaid the said Commissioners shall have, within the territory of the present City of Grand Forks, such powers and authority as are necessary or reasonably convenient for the purpose of carrying out the works within such territory expressly contemplated by the provisions of said Schedule A to said chapter 29, and subject thereto.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at any time, upon cause assigned, cancel the appointment of any of the said Commissioners, and thereupon, or upon any vacancy occurring by reason of the death, resignation or refusal to act of any Commissioner, or otherwise, may appoint another in his stead from among the residents within the present limits of the City of Columbia, upon recommendation of the Board of Commissioners, and pending or in default of such appointment the remaining members shall exercise all the powers of the full Board.

The Commissioners shall make a report to the Minister of Finance or to the Commissioner of Public Works whenever and on such matters as shall be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

All authority and functions vested in the said Commissioners shall cease so soon as the works mentioned in section 13 of said chapter 29, and in Schedule A in said chapter 29, are fully completed, and a proper report of said

Commissioners shall have been accepted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

These Letters Patent shall not extend nor be construed to extend to any franchise or privilege granted by the present City of Columbia or the present City of Grand Forks to any territory other than that to which it applied on the twenty-second day of April, 1902.

As soon as practicable the Council of the new City shall proceed to hold an election of a new Board of School Trustees for the new City in accordance with the provisions of the "Public Schools Act" and amending Acts. The day to be fixed by the said Council for said election shall not be later than the twelfth day of February, 1903.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, The Honourable Sir HENRI GISTAVE JOLY De LOTBINIERE, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and two, and in the second year of Our Reign.

By Command.

W.W.B. McINNES,

Provincial Secretary.

City of Grand Forks LETTERS PATENT

[L.S.] J. R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

CANADA:

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ELIZABETH the SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To all to whom these presents shall come—
Greeting.

Dan Campbell,
Minister of
Municipal
Affairs.

WHEREAS by section 21 of the *Municipal Act* it is provided the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, by supplementary Letters of Patent, extend the area of a municipality under the conditions therein set out:

And whereas a petition has been received by the Minister of Municipal Affairs from the Council of The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks praying that the area of the municipality be extended to include all and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land situate, lying, and being as follows: Commencing at the most westerly corner of that part of Lot 382, Similkameen (formerly Osoyoos) Division of Yale District, shown outlined in red on Registered Plan B3529 on file in the Land Registry Office, Kamloops; thence easterly along the northerly boundary of the said part of Lot 382 shown outlined in red on said Plan B3529 to the westerly boundary of Lot 534; thence easterly in a straight line to the northwest corner of Block 30 of Lot 534, Registered Plan 36, being a point on the southeasterly limit of Ruckles Avenue as shown on said Plan 36; thence northeasterly along the said southeasterly limit of Ruckles Avenue (crossing all intersecting thoroughfares) to the southwesterly limit of First Street as shown on said Plan 36; thence northwesterly along the said southwesterly limit of First Street (crossing all intersecting thoroughfares) and the northwesterly prolongation thereof to the middle line of the main stream of the Kettle River; thence in a general westerly and southerly direction along the said middle line of the main stream of the Kettle River to the point of intersection with the northwesterly prolongation of the southwesterly limit of the Columbia and Western Railway right-of-way; thence southeasterly along said southerly limit to a point there-

on which lies due south of the aforesaid most westerly corner of that part of Lot 382 shown outlined in red on Plan B3529; thence north to said corner, being the point of commencement, and containing by admeasurement 55.56 acres of land, more or less, and 11.25 acres of land covered by water, more or less:

And whereas the conditions and requirements of said section 21 have been duly complied with:

Now know ye that by these presents We do order and proclaim that the area of The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks be extended by the inclusion therein of the lands hereinbefore described, and that on, from, and after the date of these supplementary Letters Patent the boundaries of The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks be defined as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 520, Similkameen (formerly Osoyoos) Division of Yale District; thence easterly along the northerly boundaries of Lots 520, 380, and 381 to the northeast corner of said Lot 381, being a point on the westerly boundary of Lot 585; thence northerly and easterly along the westerly and northerly boundaries of said Lot 585 to the northeast corner thereof; thence due east to the middle line of Granby River; thence in a general northwesterly direction along the said middle line of Granby River to the northwesterly boundary of Lot 1623 (Moonlight Mineral Claim); thence in a general northeasterly and southeasterly direction along the northwesterly and northeasterly boundaries of said Lot 1623 to the westerly boundary of Lot 495; thence northerly, easterly, and southerly along the westerly, northerly, and easterly boundaries of said Lot 495 to the southeast corner thereof; thence southerly along the easterly boundary of that part of Lot 494 shown outlined in red on Registered Plan B2093 on file in the Land Registry Office, Kamloops, to the northerly boundary of Lot 493; thence easterly along the said northerly boundary of Lot 493 to a point due north of the northeast corner of that part of said Lot 493 shown on Plan B5052; thence south to the said northeast corner; thence southerly along the easterly boundary of the said part of Lot 493 shown on Plan B5052 to the southeast corner thereof, being a point on the southerly boundary of said Lot 493; thence easterly along the said southerly boundary of Lot 493 to the northeast corner of Lot 653; thence southerly along the easterly boundary of said Lot 653 to

the southeast corner thereof, being a point on the high-water mark of the Kettle River, on the left bank thereof; thence southerly in a straight line to the northeast corner of Lot 534, being a point on the high-water mark of the Kettle River, on the right bank thereof; thence southerly along the easterly boundary of said Lot 534 to the southerly limit of the Columbia and Western Railway right-of-way as shown on Registered Plan D.D. 4352A; thence in a general westerly direction along the said southerly limit as shown on Plan D.D. 4352A to the southeasterly boundary of Parcel A of Lot 534, Registered Plan B4425; thence southwesterly, northerly, and northwesterly along the southeasterly, westerly, and southwesterly boundaries of said Parcel A of Lot 534, Plan B4425, to the westerly boundary of said Lot 534; thence in a general westerly and northwesterly direction along the southerly and southwesterly limit of the aforesaid Columbia and Western Railway right-of-way and the northwesterly prolongation thereof to the point of intersection with the middle line of the main stream of the Kettle River; thence in a general southerly direction along said middle line to the point of intersection with the easterly prolongation of the southerly boundary of Lot 382; thence westerly along the said easterly prolongation and continuing westerly along the said southerly boundary of Lot 382 to the southwest corner thereof; thence westerly along the southerly boundary of Lot 533 and the prolongation westerly thereof to the middle line of the main stream of the Kettle River which lies to the east of that part of said Lot 533 shown on Plan 10666; thence in a general northerly and westerly direction along the said middle line of the main stream of the Kettle River (the position of the said river to be determined from the high-water mark on the right bank as shown on Plans 10666, B3671, and B1628) to the southerly prolongation of the westerly boundary of said Lot 533; thence northerly along the said southerly prolongation and continuing northerly along the westerly boundaries of Lots 533 and 520 to the aforesaid northwest corner of Lot 520, being the point of commencement, and containing by admeasurement 2,303.70 acres of land, more or less, and 135.53 acres of land covered by water, more or less.

And that the Letters Patent of The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks be deemed to be amended so as to con-

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form to the premises as and from the date of these Letters Patent.

And that the Provincial Assessor of the Kettle River Assessment District of the Province shall be deemed to be a Deputy Assessor of the municipality until the year 1971 or for such time as the Surveyor of Taxes of the Province deems expedient, whichever is the sooner.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Colonel the Honourable John R. Nicholson, P.C., O.B.E., Q.C., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Prov-

ince, this ninth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy, and in the nineteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

W. D. BLACK,
Provincial Secretary.

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