

CHAPTER 219.

[S. B. 393.]

COMMISSIONERS OF METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICTS.

AN ACT relating to the formation of Metropolitan Park District; providing for the election of commissioners thereof and their terms of office, and amending section 3, chapter 98, Laws of 1907, as amended by section 2, chapter 131, Laws of 1909 (section 6722, Remington's Revised Statutes).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 98, Laws of 1907, as amended by section 2, chapter 131, Laws of 1909 (section 6722, Remington's Revised Statutes) is amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 3. If at such election a majority of the voters voting upon such proposition shall vote in favor of the formation of such park district, the City Council shall so declare in its canvass of the returns of such election, and such park district shall then be and become a municipal corporation of the State of Washington, and the name of such metropolitan park district shall be "Metropolitan Park District of....." (inserting the name of the city constituting the park district)." At the same election at which the proposition is submitted to the voters as to whether a metropolitan park district shall be formed, five (5) park commissioners shall be elected to hold office respectively for the following terms of one (1) for two (2) years; two (2) for four (4) years; and two (2) for six (6) years, and until their respective successors are elected, the term of each nominee for Park Commissioners to be expressed on the ballot. And thereafter their successors shall be elected for respective terms of six (6) years, at the general biennial elections, held in conjunction with, and in the manner provided by the laws of this state for, cities of the first class within which such metropolitan Majority vote to establish park district.
Name.
Park Commissioners elected.
Number and terms of office.
Election of successors.

Nomination
by petition.

park district may be situated. Nominations for Park Commissioners shall be by petition of one hundred (100) qualified electors of such park district, to be filed in the office of the City Clerk of such city for the first election, and with the secretary of such metropolitan park district for all succeeding elections, such nominations to be so filed as provided by section 5148-1 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington: *Provided, however,* That there shall be no election held on the second Tuesday of March immediately following the creation of such park district:

Proviso.

And provided further, That in the event of a vacancy caused by death, resignation or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining Commissioners until the next regular election for Park Commissioner. Any person residing in said park district who is, at the time

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of holding of any such election, a qualified voter under the laws of the State of Washington, shall be entitled to vote at any election held in such metropolitan park district. And the registration of voters for elections to be held in such metropolitan park district shall be conducted by the City Clerk and officers of registration of the city and territory embraced within said metropolitan park district; and the notice prescribed to be given by sections 5123 and 5124, *supra*, shall constitute sufficient notice to citizens residing within said metropolitan park district

Electors.

for registration for any general or special election therein, without the necessity for such notice specially stating that it is for the registration for an election to be held by a metropolitan park district. And any elector who shall have registered in accordance with the laws of this state entitling him to vote at a general or special election in the city or territory comprised within such metropolitan park district within time to constitute same a good registration for any general or special election of said metropoli-

Registration.

Notice of
registration
and election.

And any elector who shall have registered in accordance with the laws of this state entitling him to vote at a general or special election in the city or territory comprised within such metropolitan park district within time to constitute same a good registration for any general or special election of said metropoli-

tan park district shall be entitled to vote thereat without further or other registration. The City Clerk or registration officer required to perform the duties enumerated under this act shall receive no additional compensation therefor. The general laws of the State of Washington governing the registration of voters for general or special city or municipal elections, when not inconsistent with the foregoing provisions, shall govern the registration of voters for elections held under this chapter, and the registration books of the city and territory comprising said park district shall be the books used by said park district, and no separate registration books shall be kept or maintained by it. The manner of holding any general or special election for said metropolitan park district shall be in accordance with the laws of this state, and the charter provisions of the city within which said park district lies, in so far as the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act: *Provided*, That any Park Commissioners whose terms of office shall expire on the first Monday of June, 1943, and on the first Monday of June, 1945, shall continue to hold office until their successors are elected and qualified as above provided.

No additional pay for registration officials.

General laws to govern registration.

General laws for election.

Proviso.

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