

**PROPOSED CHARTER AS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL**  
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the Recorder on the return of the warrant. At any time within six years thereafter, the owner of the property sold, or his legal representative, is entitled to a warrant on the Treasurer for such surplus.

**True Consideration Named.**  
Sec. 68. In case of a sale of personal property for delinquent taxes, the true consideration thereof shall be expressed in the bill of sale therefor, and the return of the person executing the warrant must specify such consideration and the name of the purchaser.

**Alias Warrant; Costs of Collection.**  
Sec. 69. The Council may provide by ordinance within what time a warrant for the collection of delinquent taxes or assessments must be returned, and may order an alias warrant to issue for the collection of any such taxes or assessments not made on a previous one. All costs and charges for collecting delinquent taxes or assessments must be made on the warrant, and collected as part of the tax or assessment. The Council may prescribe, by ordinance, fees and compensation for collecting delinquent taxes, but the same shall in no case be paid out of the treasury.

**Property Not Sold for Less Than Taxes; Advertise Certificates of Sale.**  
Sec. 70. All property subject to tax upon execution is subject to levy upon a warrant for the collection of delinquent taxes or assessments, and also all property subject to assessment for taxation as provided in this charter whether the same be exempt from execution or not. Provided, that property shall not be sold for less than the tax or assessment assessed against it; and if such amount is not bid, the Chief of Police, or officer executing the warrant, shall strike the same off to the city for said amount, or return the same delinquent, as may be directed by the Council. The Recorder may thereafter, if the same be struck off to the city, assign certificates to any one paying the price hereof that is required for the redemption of such property. And the Recorder shall, once each year until the city obtains a deed, advertise and offer said certificates for sale, but in no case selling them for less than the amount required to redeem said property, until the city obtains a deed, and annually thereafter he shall advertise said lands for sale.

**City a Separate Road District; Road Taxes Collected Therein.**  
Sec. 71. For the purposes of the assessment and collection of road taxes, the territory within the corporate limits of said City of LaGrande is hereby constituted a road district of Union county, Oregon, and the street superintendent, or other officer of said city who has charge of the repair of streets and highways within said city, is hereby made road supervisor for said district and all taxes for road purposes within the corporate limits of said city, when collected, shall be paid to the Treasurer of said city, and the same shall be by him kept in a separate fund for road and street purposes within said district, and shall be paid out by him upon a warrant drawn on said fund by order of the Council of said city. When the road taxes of said district shall not be levied or assessed by the county court of Union county, Oregon, the street superintendent, or other officer having charge of the repair of the streets and highways therein, shall as road supervisor of said district collect the road taxes for said district in the same manner as such taxes are collected in other road districts in said county.

**CHAPTER NINE OF MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**  
**To Bind the City on Contract.**  
Sec. 72. The City of LaGrande shall not be bound by any contract, or in any way liable thereon, unless the same is authorized by ordinance, and made in writing and by order of the Council and signed by the Mayor and Recorder. But an ordinance may authorize any officer or agent of the city, naming him, to bind the city without a contract in writing for the payment of any sum of money not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

**Appropriation of Money.**  
Sec. 73. No money shall be drawn from the treasury except in pursuance of an appropriation for that purpose made by the Council at a regular meeting thereof, and on a warrant signed by the Mayor and Recorder.

**Limit of Taxation and Fiscal Year.**  
Sec. 74. The fiscal year of this city shall commence on the second day of January of each year, and during any such year the rates of general and special taxes levied must not exceed in the aggregate twenty (20) mills on the dollar on the assessed valuation of property within the city.

**Officers Prohibited From Contracting With the City.**  
Sec. 75. No member of the Council or other officer of the city shall be interested in any contract or work, the expenses of which are to be paid out of the city treasury.

**Style of Ordinance; Enacting Clause.**  
Sec. 76. The style of every ordinance shall be: "The City of LaGrande does ordain as follows", and all warrants issued by the Recorder by virtue of the provisions of this charter, or of any ordinance, shall run in the name of the City of LaGrande, Union county, Oregon, and no ordinance shall take effect until published by printing in a newspaper, or posting in three conspicuous places in the city, and until some date specified in the ordinance; provided, an ordinance

passed over a veto may have its date changed.

**City Licenses; Exempt From County Tax.**  
Sec. 77. No person paying a license to the City of LaGrande in order to carry on any business or avocation within the city limits for which license is required by this charter, or by any ordinance, shall be required to pay a license tax to the county authorities of Union county for the same purpose; provided, that when a bond is required to be given to the county for obtaining any license such bond in amount and manner must be given to the City of LaGrande; and provided, further, that peddlers' licenses shall not exempt one from obtaining county licenses when peddling both within and without the city.

**Official Undertakings.**  
Sec. 78. The Council shall by ordinance fix the amount of the official undertaking of each and every officer of the city or other person who may be required by this charter or by any ordinance to execute and file an official undertaking; provided that there be not less than two sureties or an approved indemnity bonding company upon each and every undertaking.

**Published Statement.**  
Sec. 79. It shall be the duty of the Mayor and Council of the City of LaGrande to cause to be published in some newspaper published in said city, semi-annual statements of the financial condition of said city, showing the amounts received and disbursed in each six months, such statements to be verified by the certificate of the City Recorder.

**This Charter Competent as Evidence.**  
Sec. 80. This charter shall be deemed a public charter and may be read in evidence without proof, and judicial notice shall be taken thereof in all courts and places.

**Limitations of Contracts and Franchises.**  
Sec. 81. The Council shall not authorize the making of any contract for a continuous service for a longer period of time than three years, but a contract for the fulfillment of a specific act or the payment of a debt shall be limited to not exceeding twenty years. No franchise shall be granted for a longer period of time than twenty-five years.

**Limitation of Indebtedness.**  
Sec. 82. Except as otherwise expressly provided or permitted by this charter, the indebtedness of the City of LaGrande must never exceed, in the aggregate Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) in floating indebtedness and bonded indebtedness Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) on City Hall, and bonded indebtedness on Water Works Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), and such indebtedness as may be authorized by a vote of the tax-payers on water works, sewers, streets, electric or gas lighting systems, and other public improvements.

**Outstanding Warrants.**  
Sec. 83. The Council is authorized and directed by this charter to refund the outstanding warrants against the general fund, by issuing time warrants payable at stated times in the future, the rate of interest not to exceed six per cent, per annum, or as much less as the Council shall determine.

**Prohibited From Issuing Warrants in Excess of Revenue.**  
Sec. 84. The Council, during any fiscal year, shall not issue warrants against any fund of the city in excess of the revenue that may be collected for any particular fund during any such fiscal year; provided, that warrants may be issued at any time as provided in section 83, not exceeding the limit of floating indebtedness as provided in section 82 of this charter.

**Succession to Property Interests; Contracts and Ordinances Continued in Force.**  
Sec. 85. All property, real and personal, rights, privileges and immunities, together with all books, papers, records, deeds, patents, monies and accounts, now held, possessed and enjoyed by the present City of LaGrande, shall by operation of this charter pass to and be held, possessed, retained and enjoyed by the City of LaGrande as created by this charter; and all contracts heretofore entered into by the said City of LaGrande are hereby continued in full force and effect as though granted by the City of LaGrande as created by this charter; and all indebtedness incurred by the said City of LaGrande or the officials thereof in behalf of said City of LaGrande, shall be and is hereby assumed by the City of LaGrande, as created by this charter; and all ordinances or resolutions not in conflict with the provisions of this charter at present in force in said City of LaGrande, are hereby ratified, confirmed and continued in full force and effect, as though passed and granted by the City of LaGrande, as created by this charter.

**Incumbents in Office; To Hold.**  
Sec. 86. The incumbents in the offices of Mayor, Treasurer, Recorder, Marshal, Councilmen, and all appointive officers of the City of LaGrande who shall be in office when this charter shall take effect, shall hold their respective offices until the ends of the terms for which they shall have been respectively elected or appointed, and until their respective successors shall have been elected or appointed and qualified.

**First Election of Officers; Annual Meeting of Council.**  
Sec. 87. It is hereby provided that the first election under this charter for the election of Mayor, Treasurer and one Councilman from each ward,

shall be on the second Monday in March, A. D. 1907, and the first annual meeting of the Council under this charter shall be held on the third Monday in March, A. D. 1907, when officers elected shall qualify and assume their respective duties under this charter, and they shall hold their respective offices until January 2, 1909, and until their successors are elected and qualified; provided, that all hold-over Councilmen shall continue as such until the expiration of the term for which they were elected, and the terms of office of their successors shall expire on the second day of January, 1910.

**Time Charter Goes Into Effect.**  
Sec. 88. This charter, is adopted by the legal voters of the City of LaGrande, shall go into effect immediately upon its adoption, and be and continue in full force and effect thereafter, until legally amended or repealed.

**Previous Charters Repealed.**  
Sec. 89. All charters of the City of LaGrande and all parts of charters heretofore existing, are, by the adoption of this charter, hereby repealed.

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