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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the City of Gardiner.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1955, c. 44, Art. II, § 4, amended. Section 4 of Article II of chapter 44 of the private and special laws of 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Regular meetings and qualification. The council shall meet at the usual place for holding meetings, at 10 o'clock A. M. on the 1st Monday in January, **biennially**, at which time the mayor-elect and the councilmen-elect shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by a justice of the peace or by the city clerk. Thereafter the council shall meet at such time and place as may be prescribed by ordinance or resolution, except that it shall meet regularly each month.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1955, c. 44, Art. V, § 5, amended. Section 5 of Article V of chapter 44 of the private and special laws of 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 5. Filing of nomination papers; acceptances of nominations must be filed. The nomination petitions for any one candidate shall be assembled and united into one petition and filed with the city clerk not earlier than ~~30 nor later than 16 calendar days before the day of election~~ **the 4th Monday of October nor later than the 2nd Monday in November.** No nomination shall be valid unless the candidate shall file with the city clerk in writing not later than ~~16 calendar days before the day of election~~ **the 2nd Monday in November**, his consent, accepting the nomination, agreeing not to withdraw, and, if elected, to qualify.'

Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1955, c. 44, Art. VII, § 2, amended. Section 2 of Article VII of chapter 44 of the private and special laws of 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Approving of bills. The auditor shall check and furnish to the city council on or before the 1st regular meeting of each month the bills which have been incurred for the preceding calendar month. The council shall approve these bills ~~before payment~~ and such approval shall be by majority vote of the council. **Payment of such bills shall be in accordance with the provisions of section 11 of this Article.'**

Sec. 4. P. & S. L., 1955, c. 44, Art. VII, § 5, amended. The 1st sentence of section 5 of Article VII of chapter 44 of the private and special laws of 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Not later than ~~1 month before the end of the fiscal year~~ the 1st Monday in February, the city manager shall submit to the city council budget estimates for the ensuing fiscal year.'