CHARTER OF THE
CITY OF HUDSON,
AND OTHER
Laws of the Legislature respecting the same;
TOGETHER WITH THE
BY-LAWS OF THE SAID CITY.

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CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HUDSON.

An Act relative to the City of Hudson.

Passed April 16th, 1813.

I. BE it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, That the district of country contained within the following limits, to wit: Beginning at the channel of the Hudson’s river, in the county of Columbia, directly opposite the mouth of the creek commonly called major Abraham’s creek, thence to and up the middle of said creek to the place where the Claverack creek empties into the said major Abraham’s creek, thence up along the middle of said Claverack creek until the said Claverack creek strikes the line of the house of Livingston as now held and possessed, thence along the line of the said house of Livingston to the east side of Hudson’s river, thence into the said river one hundred and eighty feet below high water mark, thence to the place of beginning, keeping the same distance of one hundred and eighty feet on each side of said creek aforesaid; shall continue to be called a city by the name of Hudson; and that all the freemen of this state, from time to time, being inhabitants thereof, shall be a body corporate, by the name of the mayor, recorder, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Hudson, and by that name they and their successors shall be known in law, and be capable of suing and being sued, and of defending, in all courts of law and equity; and in all actions and matters whatsoever, and may have a corporate seal, and may change and alter the same at their pleasure, and by the same name shall be capable of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real and personal, for the use of the said corporation: Provided, That such Provision, real estate shall be situated within the limits of the said city.

II. And be it further enacted, That there shall be the following officers in the city, to wit: one mayor, one recorder, four aldermen, four assessor, one clerk, one sheriff, one chamberlain, one supervisor, and thirty assessors, collectors and constables, as the common council for the said city shall, from time to time, direct to be chosen.

III. And be it further enacted, That the person administering the government of this state, by and with the advice and consent of the council of appointment, shall annually, during the session of the legislature, or at such time as the said council shall be assembled, next after the first day of May in every year, nominate and appoint out of the inhabitants of said city, the said mayor, recorder, clerk, sheriff and marshal, who shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the governor and council, or until the terms of their respective offices shall expire.

* By the new constitution, Article 5, Sec. X. The mayor is appointed annually by the governor and by the council. By Sec. IX, same article, the clerk is to be appointed by the mayor, to hold his office three years, unless sooner removed by the power appointing him. By Sec. VII, same article, the council, shall nominate and with the consent of the senate, appoint the treasurer, who by Article 5, Sec. VI. shall hold his office for five years.
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