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An Ordinance to enable the City Council of Freetown to advance moneys for the erection, repair and improvement of buildings within the City. 17 of 1933.
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[1ST AUGUST, 1933.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Freetown Municipality Building Scheme Ordinance, and shall be read and construed as one with the Freetown Municipality Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as the principal Ordinance).

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ment of a
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2. (1) On the coming into operation of this Ordinance there shall be established a fund to be known as the Freetown Municipality Building Scheme Fund (hereinafter referred to as the Building Scheme Fund) which shall consist of—

(a) six thousand pounds to be transferred thereto from the City Fund,

(b) such other moneys as the City Council may, from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, transfer thereto from the City Fund, and

(c) such moneys as the City Council may, from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, borrow at interest from the Government or any other person for the purposes of the Building Scheme Fund.

(2) The provisions of section 71 of the principal Ordinance shall be deemed to extend and apply to all moneys borrowed for the purposes of the Building Scheme Fund under sub-section (1) (c).

Administra-
tion of the
Fund.

3. The Building Scheme Fund shall be administered by the City Council.

Objects to
which fund
may be
applied.

4. (1) The Building Scheme Fund shall be utilised to advance moneys to the use of owners of lands or buildings within the City for any one or more of the following purposes in connection with lands or buildings within the City—

(a) the erection of new buildings;

(b) the completion, extension or reconstruction of existing buildings;

(c) the repair or reconditioning of existing buildings;

(d) the painting and decorating of new or existing buildings;

(e) the installation of electric light or power in new or existing buildings;

(f) any other works whereby such premises may be improved.

(2) The City Council may also advance moneys out of the said Fund for the purpose of insuring all or any part of any premises, in respect of which advances made under sub-section (1) are outstanding, against loss or damage by fire, and all moneys advanced under this sub-section shall be deemed and taken to be payments made on behalf of the owner of the premises and at his request.

5. (1) Applications for advances under section 4 (1) shall be made in the Form A in the schedule and shall be addressed to the Mayor of Freetown who may, if he thinks fit, require the applicant to make statutory declaration verifying the particulars stated in his application.

Applications for advances.

(2) The Mayor shall lay all such applications before the City Council, and the City Council shall consider each application on its merits and deal with the same in its absolute discretion subject, however, to the provisions of this Ordinance.

6. No advance shall be made from the Building Scheme Fund except upon good and sufficient security, and all moneys advanced thereout for any of the purposes specified in section 4 (1) shall be paid direct to the contractor or other person appointed by the City Council to do the work either (i) upon completion of such work to the satisfaction of the City Council's representative appointed for the purpose, or (ii) from time to time during the progress of such work but subject always to the same condition as to satisfaction.

Advances to be made on good security and subject to conditions.

7. All moneys advanced for any of the purposes specified in section 4 shall bear interest at a rate to be fixed by the City Council being not more than 8 per centum per annum, compound interest, and shall be repayable at such time and either in a lump sum or by such instalments as the City Council and the applicant shall agree.

Repayment of moneys advanced and interest thereon.

8. On the City Council deciding to make an advance and agreeing the amount thereof and the terms and conditions on which the same is to be made with the applicant, an agreement in the Form B in the schedule, with such variations as circumstances may require, shall be drawn up and signed by the Mayor and the applicant. The applicant shall be entitled to a copy of such agreement.

Agreements to be drawn up and signed.

9. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Registration of Instruments Ordinance, all such agreements, when duly completed as aforesaid, shall be registered free of charge in the Registrar General's Office in a special book to be kept for the purpose, and such book shall be open to the public for inspection on payment of a fee of one shilling for each half hour. The Stamp Duty Ordinance shall not apply to such agreements.

Agreements to be registered free of charge and without payment of any stamp duty.

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