

phabetical order in proper and convenient books, to be provided by the Council, the names of all persons applying for registration who are entitled to vote under the provisions of this Charter; and for the purpose of ascertaining the facts, the said officers of registration are hereby empowered to administer oaths to applicants and witnesses, touching the qualifications of applicants for registration under the terms of this Charter. Such officers of registration shall sit, with their official books, for registration of qualified applicants, from 8 A. M. to 6 P. M. on the Tuesday and Wednesday preceding every municipal election, a right of challenge and of presentation of facts relating to qualifications, and a right to appeal to the Council from the decision of the registration officers is hereby granted to any person or persons aggrieved by the decision of such officers. The Council shall sit between the hours of 8 P. M. and 10 P. M. on the Thursday before the election, and at such other times as may be necessary prior to the election, to hear such appeals, if any, and the evidence relative thereto. The decision of the Council on such appeals shall be final. The Council shall give at least five days' notice of the time and place of sitting of the officers of registration, by means of handbills, posted in at least ten conspicuous places in said town, or by advertisements in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the said town. The said officers of registration, as soon as their sittings are finished, shall forthwith transmit to the Clerk of the said town, an alphabetical list of the persons registered at such sittings. The said Clerk shall, on the same day, post in his office a copy of such alphabetical list of the persons registered as aforesaid, so as to be available for public inspection.

A general registration of all voters residing in the said town shall be had before the first Municipal Election to be held under the provisions of this Act. Such general registration shall thereafter be held at such times as the Council may by ordinance direct; provided, however, that in no case shall more than five years elapse between any such general registration and the next succeeding general registration. The Council shall appoint three registration officers to conduct registrations with the least possible delay and inconvenience to applicants applying for registration; and the Council may by ordinance direct officers of registration to sit for the registration of qualified voters on such additional days as may in the judgment of the Council be necessary; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to relieve the officers of registration from sitting on the days and the hours herein specifically provided.