

sub-title "Registration of Voters", be and they are hereby repealed and that seven new sections be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as Sections 161, 162, 162A to 162E, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 160 of said Charter, and to read as follows:

*161. (Authorized.) The Mayor and City Council shall maintain a registration of the qualified voters of the City, by wards and precincts. The basis of such registration shall be that which exists at the time this sub-title becomes effective. Thereafter it shall be maintained and recorded as specified in this sub-title.*

*162. (Qualifications.) Any person shall be eligible to register as a voter in municipal elections who is a citizen of the United States, a resident of the City for at least one year, and at least twenty-one years of age at the time of the next municipal election.*

*162A. (City Clerk.) The City Clerk shall be in charge of all books and papers pertaining to the registration of voters. He shall carefully keep and preserve the same, and do all things necessary and proper to carry out his duties under this sub-title. The registration records shall be kept generally in the manner required for the Board of Election Supervisors of Allegany County, except that the applicant shall not be required to state his party affiliation, if any, nor shall any record be kept of such affiliation.*

*162B. (Continuous Registration.) (a) Any applicant for registration or for a change in registration as a voter in municipal elections in the City shall present himself at the office of the City Clerk, at any time during the regular business hours of such office. The City Clerk, or some employee of his office, shall by suitable questions determine if the said applicant satisfies the requirements to be a qualified voter in the City, as set out in this sub-title, the answer to be given under oath. The answers of the applicant shall be recorded on a form designed and kept by the City Clerk for such purpose, and the applicant shall sign his name on such form.*

*(b) If the said applicant satisfies the requirements of this sub-title for registration as a voter of the City, the City Clerk shall accept his registration. He shall immediately give to the registrant a small identification card, attesting over his signature to the registrant's name, address, ward and precinct numbers, and to the fact of the registration. Thereafter, as soon as practicable, the City Clerk shall record the registrant's name and such other data as necessary in the registration*