Section 1. Laws 1969, Chapter 1105, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. ROBBINSDALE, CITY OF; FIREMEN'S RELIEF. Notwithstanding any provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.06, the firemen's relief association of the city of Robbinsdale may provide in its certificate articles of incorporation or bylaws for payment of a service pension not exceeding \$100-\$200 per month to each of its members who retires after not less than 20 years of service in the fire department and has attained 50 years of age. The certificate articles or bylaws may also provide for an increase in the amount of such service pension in the amount of \$2-\$4 for each year of service in excess of 20, but the total pension payable under this section shall not exceed \$120-\$240.

- Sec. 2. Laws 1969, Chapter 1105, Section 2, is amended to read:
- Sec. 2. In lieu of a periodic service pension under section 1, the articles or bylaws may provide for payment of a lump sum pension in an amount not exceeding \$250-\$300 per year of service to any retired member who qualifies for the periodic pension, in a total amount which does not exceed \$7,000-\$9,000.
- Sec. 3. Section 1 applies to pensions payable in respect to periods commencing after June 30, 1975, and applies to persons who retire before the effective date of this act as well as to those who retire on or after that date.
- Sec. 4. This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Robbinsdale and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 17, 1975.

CHAPTER 179—H.F.No.432

An act relating to statutory cities; park boards; permitting park boards of three, five, seven or nine members; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 412.501.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 412.501, is amended to read:

412.501 STATUTORY CITIES; PARK BOARDS; CONTINUANCE OF EXISTING BOARD; OFFICERS; COMPENSATION. The council of any city of more than 1,000 population may by ordinance establish a

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park board and it may by ordinance adopted by unanimous vote of all members of the council abolish any board thus established. Any park board now in existence in any city shall hereafter operate as a park board under this chapter until abolished as provided in this section. The park board shall consist of three, five, seven or nine members as determined by resolution or ordinance of the council, appointed by the mayor with the consent of the council. If the board consists of three members, one member of the original board shall serve for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of three years; and thereafter one shall be appointed each year for a term of three years. If the board consists of five members, one member of the original board shall serve a term of one year, two for a term of two years and two for a term of three years. If the board consists of seven members, two members of the original board shall serve a term of one year, two for a term of two years and three for a term of three years. If the board consists of nine members, three members of the original board shall serve a term of one year, three for a term of two years and three for a term of three years. After the terms of the original board members expire, members shall be appointed for terms of three years. The number of members may be increased or decreased within the permitted three, five, seven or nine members by subsequent resolution or ordinance. The resolution or ordinance shall include a provision for maintaining staggered terms for board members, provided that if the number of members is reduced the reduction shall be effected in such a manner that all incumbent members are permitted to serve their full terms.

No action to change the size of the board shall be taken except upon a two-thirds vote of all the members of the city council, and no such action shall be taken until at least three years after establishment of the board or until at least three years after the last resolution or ordinance modifying the size of the board. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the original terms. Each member shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualifies. Members shall serve without compensation unless the council authorizes compensation which may not exceed \$100 per year for each member. Any member may be removed by the mayor with the consent of the council for cause after a hearing. The board shall choose one of its members as chairman and may select a secretary either from among its own members or otherwise and fix his compensation at not to exceed \$500 per year. The board may adopt and from time to time amend rules of procedure. It shall make quarterly reports of its activities to the council. The city attorney, if there is one, shall act as attorney for the board. An annual statement of its receipts and disbursements shall be filed with the clerk immediately after the close of the calendar year and shall be included as part of the annual financial statement of the clerk in conformity with section 412.281.

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 17, 1975.

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