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SECTION 1

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT, TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT,
LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT BODIES IN THE CITY OF YEREVAN

CHAPTER 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. Subject matter of the Law

1. This Law shall define the peculiarities of the local self-government, territorial government and the formation of local self-government bodies in the city of Yerevan (hereinafter referred to as "Yerevan").

Article 2. Legal status of Yerevan

- 1. Yerevan is a community aggregation of population of Yerevan.
- 2. Yerevan is the capital city of the Republic of Armenia.
- 3. Yerevan is a legal entity of public law; it has ownership rights and other property rights.
- 4. Yerevan has a budget, as well as a seal bearing the image of the Coat of Arms of the Republic of Armenia and its name.

(Article 2 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 3. Main principles of local self-government in Yerevan

1. The local self-government in Yerevan shall be based on the principles prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On local self-government" ensuring the balanced development of all administrative districts of Yerevan.

Article 4. Administrative borders of Yerevan

1. The administrative borders of Yerevan are defined by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the administrative-territorial division of the Republic of Armenia".

Article 5. Local self-government bodies of Yerevan

- 1. The local self-government bodies of Yerevan shall be:
 - (1) the Council of Elders of Yerevan (hereinafter referred to as "the Council of Elders");
 - (2) the Mayor of Yerevan (hereinafter referred to as "the Mayor").

Article 6. Legal grounds for local self-government in Yerevan

- 1. Powers of local self-government bodies in Yerevan shall be defined by this Law and other laws.
- 2. Relations pertaining to local self-government in Yerevan not regulated by this Law shall be regulated by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On local self-government" insofar as they do not contradict this Law.

(Article 6 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 7. Seat of local self-government bodies of Yerevan

- The local self-government bodies of Yerevan the Council of Elders and the Mayor — shall organise their activities in their seat located at the address of 1 Argishti Street.
- 2. The Council of Elders may, upon the decision of the Council of Elders, organise its activities (including the holding of sittings) at another place.

Article 8. Official website of Yerevan

1. The official website of Yerevan shall be: www.yerevan.am.

Article 9. Territorial government in Yerevan

- 1. The territorial government in Yerevan shall be performed by the body authorised by the Government of the Republic of Armenia. Powers vested in Marzpets by other laws, legal acts of the Republic of Armenia, insofar as they do not contradict this Law, shall be exercised by the body authorised by the Government of the Republic of Armenia.
- 2. Upon the decision of the Government, certain functions of territorial government in Yerevan may be transferred to other bodies of state administration system.
- 3. The peculiarities of territorial government in Yerevan shall be defined by this Law.

(Article 9 amended, supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended by HO-25-N of 21 January 2020)

Article 10. Symbols of Yerevan

- 1. The symbols of Yerevan shall be:
 - (1) the coat of arms of Yerevan;
 - (2) the flag of Yerevan;
 - (3) the anthem of Yerevan.
- 2. The description of the coat of arms and the flag of Yerevan, as well as the anthem of Yerevan shall be defined by the Council of Elders.
- 3. The flag and the coat of arms of Yerevan shall be placed on the building of the seat of the Council of Elders, the Mayor, in the sitting hall of the Council of Elders and in the Mayor's office.
- 4. Other cases of and procedure for the mandatory usage of the symbols of Yerevan by the Council of Elders, the Mayor, as well as by organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be defined by the Council of Elders.

CHAPTER 2

THE COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Article 11. Legal status of the Council of Elders

- 1. The Council of Elders shall be the highest local self-government body in Yerevan, which exercises supervision over the activities of the Mayor.
- 2. When exercising its powers prescribed by the Constitution and the law of the Republic of Armenia, the Council of Elders shall be independent and act only for the benefit of and on behalf of Yerevan.

Article 12. Powers of the Council of Elders

- 1. The Council of Elders shall:
 - (1) adopt its rules of procedure;
 - (2) elect a Mayor in cases and in the procedure prescribed by this Law;
 - (3) adopt a decision as prescribed by this Law— on issuing a vote of no-confidence against the Mayor;
 - (4) adopt a decision upon the submission by the Mayor on the rules of procedure, structures and the staff lists of the staff of the Municipality (hereinafter referred to as "the Municipality") and the staffs of the heads of administrative districts of Yerevan;
 - (5) adopt a decision on the official pay rates of the Mayor, Deputy Mayors, Advisers, assistants, Press Secretary to the Mayor, the employees of the Staff of the Municipality, heads, deputy heads of the administrative districts, the employees of the staff of the heads of the administrative districts. The official pay rate of the Mayor may not exceed twice the official pay rate of a deputy of the National Assembly;

(6) set local taxes and duties within the scope of the pay rates prescribed by law, set fees for services delivered by the community (including payments required for works carried out within the scope of mandatory norms for the maintenance of multi-apartment buildings under the management of the heads of the administrative districts).

During the execution of the mentioned powers the Council of Elders may follow the zoning principle; moreover, various types of zoning may be established for various taxes, duties and payments;

- (7) adopt a decision on the procedure for managing the property deemed to be the property of Yerevan;
- (8) define the essential nature, extent, conditions and procedure for implementation of the mandatory improvement of the immoveable property by the owner or possessor of the immoveable property and of the adjacent area for common use located within the administrative borders of Yerevan;
- (9) adopt a decision on which property shall be transferred to the management of the heads of the administrative districts;
- (10) adopt a decision on which organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be transferred to the subordination of the heads of the administrative districts;
- (11) adopt a decision on one-year, five-year, long-term and special programmes for the development of Yerevan;
- (12) adopt a decision on the attraction of credits, borrowings and other procured loans through the procedure prescribed by law;
- (13) in addition to the norms defined by the urban development normative and technical documents, shall have the right to define additional conditions for the implementation of the norms applicable in Yerevan;

- (14) adopt a decision on the establishment, reorganisation, liquidation of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan, on the approval of the statutes of organisations under the subordination of Yerevan or the amendments made to those statutes, as well as on the participation of Yerevan in other organisations and termination of such participation;
- (15) adopt a decisions on the structure, number of employees, staff list and official pay rates of the organisations having a status of an public institution and being under the subordination of Yerevan;
- (16) adopt a decision on the budget of Yerevan and the changes made thereto;
- (17) exercise supervision over the implementation of the Budget, be competent to determine the details of the targeted use of the budgetary funds, to eliminate the relevant decisions of the Mayor on disposing the budgetary funds, discuss and adopt a decision on the annual report of the Mayor on the implementation of the Budget;
- (18) adopt a decision on the annual plan for providing for use and alienating the property deemed to be the property of Yerevan (including on the participation of the community in the statutory capital of a legal person), which shall contain the method, terms, purpose of providing for use or alienation; in case of providing for use the term of use and the amount of payment; in case of direct sale the sales price, and in case of public biddings the starting price. In addition, the annual programme of land parcels alienation shall contain also the place of location, codes of land parcels, purposes and the methods of alienation thereof prescribed by the General Plan of Yerevan;
- (19) adopt a decision on the Master Plan of the city of Yerevan, the changes thereto, as well as on the design task;

- (20) adopt a decision on the projects of zoning of separate areas of the city of Yerevan developed in compliance with the Master Plan of the city of Yerevan, as well as on the design task;
- (20.1) adopt a decision on the change of designated purpose of land parcels;
- (21) adopt upon the submission by the Mayor a decision on approving the agreements on the co-operation with other cities and other administrative-territorial units;
- (22) adopt a decision on holding a referendum on the initiative of the Mayor or of at least one-third of the total number of members of the Council of Elders, by the majority of votes of the total number of the members of the Council of Elders;
- (23) adopt a decision on the names of streets, avenues, squares, parks of Yerevan, educational, cultural and other organisations under the subordination of Yerevan; moreover, the decision on the names of state non-commercial organisation basic schools shall be adopted in compliance with the procedure for naming the educational institutions established by the state administration body authorised in the field of education;
- (24) in addition to the rules of activities in the field of trade, public catering and service provision, set out additional conditions for the application of those rules in Yerevan, as well as additional rules;
- (24.1) define the hours of silence or peace during the nights (from 22.00 AM to 7.00 PM, from 23.00 AM to 7.00 PM and from 24.00 to 7.00 PM) to be ensured by persons engaged in trade and services in the facilities carrying out activities in the field of trade and services in Yerevan, based on their location;

- (25) determine the criteria for qualification degrees of organisations carrying out activities in the field of trade and service provision and the procedure for granting these qualification degrees;
- (25.1) determine the requirements for, conditions and terms of itinerant trade points, places permitted for carrying out itinerant trade, procedure and conditions for issuing (allocating) those permits and hours for carrying out activities, as well as prohibited types of goods being sold or services provided;
- (25.2) establish the procedure for transporting itinerant trade points or vehicles to the special area and record-registering them therein and the amount of payments for transporting itinerant trade points or vehicles to the special area and for the maintenance thereof;
- (25.3) determine the requirements for, conditions of carrying out hawking in areas for common use (streets, squares, parks and other territories) deemed to be state or community-owned and located within the administrative territory of Yerevan, the types of products sold through hawking and the places where the hawking is permitted;
- (26) adopt a decision on the additional conditions of permission for sale of alcoholic drinks and tobacco products in Yerevan in compliance with the rules for sale of alcoholic drinks and/or tobacco products in the Republic of Armenia;
- (27) adopt a decision on the additional conditions for organising fairs, as well as outdoor sales in Yerevan;
- (28) adopt a decision on the requirements presented to the location (distance) of facilities providing services subject to restriction in the territory of Yerevan;
- (29) adopt a decision on the activities related to the cemeteries located in Yerevan and on the procedure for organising and implementing activities aimed at the maintenance thereof;

- (29.1) define the restrictions, requirements for and conditions of buildings and structures where civil funeral (farewell ceremony) services are performed or provided;
- (30) adopt a decision on the rules for protection and use of green areas for common use in the city of Yerevan;
- (30.1) exercise other powers provided for by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On garbage collection and sanitary cleaning";
- (31) define the municipal advertising zone (in the form of a map), municipal streets, squares, parks;
- (32) define the municipal urban development zone (in the form of a map), as well as the conditions in case of which though the urban development activity is performed outside the zone of urban development, it is yet of municipal significance;
- (33) adopt legal acts on local self-government and on matters not vested in other bodies by law;
- (34) adopt a decision on the Urban Development Charter of Yerevan;
- (35) adopt a decision upon the recommendation of the Mayor on granting a title of Honorary Citizen of Yerevan to citizens of the Republic of Armenia and to foreign citizens;
- (36) define upon the recommendation of the Mayor procedure for establishment, rules of operation and powers of the Public Advisory Councils operating adjunct to the Mayor and the heads of the administrative districts;
- (37) determine upon the submission by the Mayor the procedure for exercise of his or her own powers prescribed for the purpose of solving the voluntary tasks and the required financial means;

- (38) define the permissible locations, requirements and conditions for fireworks of technical and special significance in Yerevan.
- 2. Exercise other powers prescribed by this Law and other laws of the Republic of Armenia.

(Article 12 edited, supplemented by HO-229-N of 23 June 2011, supplemented by HO-239-N of 23 June 2011, supplemented, edited by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011, edited by HO-15-N of 8 February 2012, supplemented by HO-8-N of 26 February 2015, edited, supplemented, amended by HO-1347-N of 4 October 2017, supplemented by HO-200-N of 21 March 2018, amended by HO-350-N of 13 June 2018, supplemented, edited by HO-379-N of 11 September 2018, supplemented by HO-84-N of 24 January 2020, HO-102-N of 6 March 2020)

Article 13. Composition of and the procedure for elections of the Council of Elders

- 1. The Council of Elders shall be composed of 65 members.
- 2. The Council of Elders shall be elected through the procedure prescribed by the Electoral Code of the Republic of Armenia.

Article 14. Restriction of the right to hold other positions by a member of the Council of Elders

- 1. A member of the Council of Elders may not concurrently:
 - (1) work at the Staff of the Municipality or at the staff of a head of any administrative district, be a head of an organisations which is under the subordination of Yerevan;
 - (2) be a head of an administrative district;

- (3) work in the Police, the National Security Service, be a judge, a judge of the Constitutional court, a military servant, a servant at the Prosecutor's office.
- 2. In case of working or being called up for serving in bodies prescribed by this Article, the member of the Council of Elders shall be obliged to resign within a one week period and upon a written application submitted to the Mayor from the office of a member of the Council of Elders, otherwise his or her powers shall be early terminated through the procedure prescribed by Article 20 of this Law.

(Article 14 amended by HO-56-N of 17 January 2018, HO-25-N of 21 January 2020)

Article 15. Filling the vacancy of a member of the Council of Elders

In case of early termination or automatic termination of powers of a member of the Council of Elders, his or her mandate shall — within a one-week period — be given to the next person in the electoral list of the political party or alliance of political parties, upon a protocol of the Central Electoral Commission. Where the mentioned person waivers the mandate, he or she shall be removed from the list of candidates. Where there is no other candidate in the list, the mandate shall remain vacant.

(Article 15 supplemented, amended by HO-64-N of 25 May 2016, supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 16. Term of powers of the Council of Elders

1. The Council of Elders shall be elected for a term of five-years. The term of powers of the newly-elected Council of Elders shall start from the moment of convening the first sitting. The term of powers of the previous Council of Elders shall expire from that moment on.

2. No elections of the Council of Elders shall be held during martial law or state of emergency, and the term of powers of the Council of Elders shall be extended until the first sitting of the newly-elected Council of Elders following the end of the martial law or state of emergency. The first sitting shall be convened on the 10th day after the official publication of the results of elections for the Council of Elders.

In this case, the election of the Council of Elders shall be held not earlier than within fifty and not later than within sixty days before the end of martial law or state of emergency.

(Article 16 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 17. Reducing the term of powers of the Council of Elders

- 1. The Government may reduce the term of powers of the Council of Elders, where:
 - (1) sittings of the Council of Elders are not convened for more than three months during a regular session;
 - (2) the Council of Elders fails to adopt any decision on issues under its discussion for more than three months during a regular session;
 - (3) the Council of Elders fails to adopt any decision on the draft subject to extraordinary discussion submitted by the Mayor during three months of a regular session.
- 2. The Government shall reduce the term of powers of the Council of Elders where after holding the sitting through the procedure prescribed by Article 142.2 of the Constitutional Law "Electoral Code of the Republic of Armenia", no candidate for the Mayor is nominated in a fortnight or the only candidate nominated fails to receive the required number of votes.

- 3. Along with the decision to reduce the term of powers of the Council of Elders, the Government shall appoint early elections for the Council of Elders.
- After the reduction of the term of powers, the Council of Elders shall continue
 exercising his or her powers until the first sitting of the newly-elected Council of
 Elders.
- 5. After the reduction of the term of powers, the Council of Elders shall not have the right to adopt a decision on holding a local referendum, to issue a vote of noconfidence against the Mayor, make appointments to positions, adopt or change the annual programme of providing for use and alienating the property deemed to be the property of Yerevan.
- 6. Early elections of the Council of Elders shall be held not earlier than within 30 and not later than within 40 days after reducing the term of powers of the Council of Elders. The sitting of the newly-elected Council of Elders held after the early elections shall be convened on the 10th day after the official publication of the results of elections.

(Article 17 amended by HO-350-N of 13 June 2018, HO-336-N of 18 June 2020)

Article 18. Rights of a member of the Council of Elders

- 1. A member of the Council of Elders shall have the right to:
 - (1) initiate the adoption of acts of the Council of Elders (including the budget), except for the cases when the initiative to adopt those acts is reserved exclusively to the Mayor, the faction of the Council of Elders or at least one third of the members of the Council of Elders under this law;
 - (2) receive legal acts of the Council of Elders, as well as information on the activities of the subdivisions of the Staff of the Municipality, organisations under municipal subordination, except for the information considered a secret under the law;

- (3) make speeches at the sittings of the Council of Elders, the commissions of the Council of Elders and to pose questions;
- (4) receive the residents of Yerevan, organise public meetings;
- (5) submit recommendations on the agenda of the sittings of the Council of Elders and on issues on the agenda;
- (6) appeal against the decisions or activities of the Council of Elders and the Mayor before a court, where his or her rights as a member of the Council of Elders have been violated. One fifth of the members of the Council of Elders, as well as each faction may apply to the Administrative Court to challenge the lawfulness of the acts of the Council of Elders and the Mayor.
- (7) exercise other powers prescribed by this Law and the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders.

Article 19. Responsibilities of a member of the Council of Elders

- 1. A member of the Council of Elders shall be obliged to:
 - (1) participate in the sittings of the Council of Elders;
 - (2) join a permanent commission and participate in the sittings thereof in the manner prescribed by the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders;
 - (3) participate in the receptions of residents of Yerevan held by the Council of Elders;
 - (4) not participate in the voting of the decision of the Council of Elders, which deals with the his or her private interests, the private interests of his or her family members and close relatives;
 - (5) exercise other responsibilities prescribed by this Law and the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders;

(6) follow the safety rules in the area and premises of the seat of local self-government bodies of Yerevan.

(Article 19 supplemented by HO-256-N of 23 March 2018)

Article 20. Early termination, automatic termination of powers of a member of the Council of Elders

(title edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- 1. Powers of a member of the Council of Elders shall be early terminated where:
 - (1) the powers of the Council of Elders have automatically terminated;
 - (2) he or she has lost the electoral rights of the Community Council of Elders;
 - (3) he or she has been declared as having no active legal capacity, missing or dead under a court judgment having entered into legal force;
 - (4) he or she has submitted an application to hold a position incompatible with the position of a member of the Council of Elders;
 - (5) he or she has failed to notice (in written) the Mayor about holding a position incompatible with the position of a member of the Council of Elders within one week after holding that position;
 - (6) he or she has resigned.
- 2. The powers of a member of the Council of Elders may be early terminated upon a decision taken by the majority of votes of the total number of members of the Council of Elders, where he or she has, without a good reason, missed more than half of the sittings or voting of the Council of Elders or the sittings of the commission during one regular session.
- 3. The powers of a member of the Council of Elders shall be early terminated automatically, where he or she has died.

- 4. In cases provided for in part 1 of this Article, except for the case provided for in point 1, the Mayor shall, based on the relevant substantiating documents, draw up a protocol on early termination of the powers of the member of the Council of Elders and send it to the Central Electoral Commission within seven working days.
- 5. The member of the Council of Elders shall submit the application on his or her resignation to the Mayor in person; the Mayor shall publish it at the forthcoming sitting of the Council of Elders. In case of impossibility for the member of the Council of Elders to submit his or her application to the Mayor in person, the application on resignation shall be submitted by the Head of the faction or the representative of the member of the Council of Elders.

(Article 20 edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 21. Compensation and performance guarantees for the activities of a member of the Council of Elders

- The member of the Council of Elders may upon his or her wish and upon the
 decision of the Council of Elders receive a monthly monetary compensation
 for the expenses incurred as a result of fulfilment of his or her duties in the
 amount of the minimum salary of the Republic of Armenia.
- 2. The Mayor, the Deputy Mayors, the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality, the heads of the subdivisions of the Staff of the Municipality, the heads of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be obliged to receive the member of the Council of Elders within the shortest time period upon the request thereof.
- 3. The heads of the administrative districts shall be obliged to provide the members of the Council of Elders with a furnished room or hall upon their request at least for one day in a month, for the purpose of receiving the residents of Yerevan, as well as for organising public meetings.

4. During and after holding the office, the member of the Council of Elders may not be prosecuted and held liable for the activities arising from his or her status, including the voting, as well as for the opinion expressed in the Council of Elders, unless it is not a criminal act.

Article 22. Legal acts of the Council of Elders and the procedure for the adoption thereof

- 1. The Council of Elders shall adopt decisions.
- 1.1. Based on the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Armenia and in order to ensure the implementation thereof, the Council of Elders shall in the manner prescribed by law adopt regulatory legal acts, which are subject to application in the administrative territory of Yerevan.
- 2. The Council of Elders may direct messages and announcements addressed to the population of Yerevan, the Mayor and other state and local self-government bodies of Yerevan on issues related to the interests of Yerevan which are beyond the competence of the Council of Europe.
- Decisions, announcements and messages of the Council of Elders shall be adopted by the majority of votes of the members of the Council of Elders present at the sitting, except for the cases prescribed by this Law.
- 4. The draft decisions reducing the revenues or increasing the expenses of the budget Yerevan shall, according to the opinion of the Mayor, be adopted by the Council of Elders by the majority of votes of the total number of members of the Council of Elders.
- 5. The announcements and messages of the Council of Elders shall be signed and published by the Mayor within a one-week period.

- 6. The decisions of the Council of Elders shall be signed and published by the Mayor through the procedure prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On legal acts".
- 7. The acts of the Council of Elders shall be posted on the official website of the Municipality within a one-week period after the adoption thereof.
- 8. The Mayor shall within a one-month period after receiving the message adopted by the Council of Elders examine it and officially inform the Council of Elders about the results.

(Article 22 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended by HO-179-N of 21 March 2018)

Article 23. Initiative of adoption and discussion of decisions, announcements and messages of the Council of Elders

- The right to initiate the adoption of Council of Elders decisions, messages and announcements shall belong to the members of the Council of Elders, the Mayor, and in cases provided by this Law to the factions of the Council of Elders, one third of the members of the Council of Elders. Upon the request of the Mayor, the draft submitted by him or her shall be discussed extraordinarily.
- 2. The adoption of decisions, messages, and announcements of the Council of Elders may be initiated also by not less than one percent of the persons having the right to vote in the elections of the Council of Elders.
- The procedure for implementing the initiatives of the voters and for discussing them at the sitting of the Council of Elders shall be defined by the rules of procedure of Council of Elders.
- 4. Initiatives for adopting decisions, messages and announcements shall be discussed at the sitting of the Council of Elders no later than within 4 months.

Article 24. Approval of contracts

- 1. The Council of Elders shall approve the contracts (including the amendments made thereto) signed by the Mayor, which:
 - are defined to be of essential significance for Yerevan by the rule of procedure of the Council of Elders;
 - (2) directly envisage the approval of the Council of Elders.
- 2. The contracts provided for in this Article shall entail legal consequences after the approval by the Council of Elders.

Article 25. Organising the activities of the Council of Elders

- The Council of Elders shall act following its Rules of Procedure through the work of sittings, commissions and factions.
- 2. The Mayor shall ensure necessary conditions at the seat of the Council of Elders for carrying out activities prescribed by this Law, as well as the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders.
- 3. The sittings of the Council of Elders shall be minuted. These minutes shall be posted also on the official website of Yerevan within a one-week period.

Article 26. Regular sessions and sittings of the Council of Elders

- Regular sessions of the Council of Elders shall be convened from the second
 Tuesday of February to the last Wednesday of June, and from the second
 Tuesday of September to the last Wednesday of December. At least one sitting of
 the Council of Elders shall be convened each month during the session.
- 2. The days of the sittings shall be determined by the Council of Elders.

Article 27. The agenda of the regular sitting of the Council of Elders and submission of draft decisions, announcements and messages

- The draft agenda of the sittings of the Council of Elders shall be drawn up by the Mayor according to the initiatives having been submitted to the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality at least a fortnight before the sitting.
- 1.1. The draft legal acts of the Council of Elders, which are considered urgent by the decision of the Mayor, may be submitted for being included in the agenda of the forthcoming sitting at least two days before the sitting.
- 2. The author of the initiative must present the draft decision, announcement and message. The rationales of drafts shall be attached to each draft.
- 3. The draft agenda of the sitting, draft decisions, announcements and messages on issues included therein and the documents attached thereto shall be provided to members of the Council of Elders at least one week before the sitting.
- 4. The agenda of the sitting shall be approved by the decision of the Council of Elders.

(Article 27 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 28. Informing the public about the regular sittings of the Council of Elders

1. The Mayor shall, at least one week before the regular sitting of the Council of Elders, publish information on the time of the sitting of the Council of Elders, attaching the draft agenda. This information shall be posted in the Municipality and in the seats of the heads of administrative districts, disseminated through the mass media, posted on the official website of Yerevan, as well as on the official website for public notifications of the Republic of Armenia at http://www.azdarar.am.

2. The drafts relating to the sitting and provided to the members of the Council of Elders, as well as the documents attached thereto shall be posted on the official website of Yerevan at least one week before the sitting. The Municipality shall, upon the request of individuals, provide them with the copies of those documents for a fee covering the expenses thereof.

(Article 28 supplemented by HO-134-N of 19 March 2012)

Article 29. Sitting of the Council of Elders

- The first sitting of the newly-elected Council of Elders shall be convened by virtue of law on the day of the expiration of the term of powers of the previous Council of Elders, after official publication of the decision on the members of the Council of Elders being elected. Prior to the election of the Mayor, the sitting of the Council of Elders shall be held by the eldest member of the Council of Elders attending the sitting.
- 2. The sitting of the Council of Elders shall be convened and held by the Mayor, while in his absence by the first Deputy Mayor.
- 3. The sitting of the Council of Elders shall have quorum, where more than half of the number of members of the Council of Elders prescribed by law attend the sitting. Where the Mayor or his or her first Deputy fails to attend the sitting within half an hour, a protocol shall be drawn up on the absence of the person holding the sitting, which shall be signed by the members of the Council of Elders attending the sitting, after which the sitting shall be held by the eldest member of the Council of Elders attending the sitting.
- 4. The sitting of the Council of Elders shall be public. In cases prescribed by the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders, closed-door discussions may be held by a decision adopted by at least half of the votes of the total number of members of the Council of Elders attending the sitting.

The public sittings of the Council of Elders shall be broadcast on-line on the official website of Yerevan. On-line (live) broadcasting shall be ensured by the Staff of the Municipality.

- 5. The Deputy Mayors shall have the right to participate in the sittings of the Council of Elders, to make extraordinary speeches, as well as to answer questions.
- 6. The heads of the administrative districts of Yerevan shall have the right to participate in the sittings of the Council of Elders, to make speeches and to answer questions.
- 7. Other persons may also, at the invitation of the Mayor or the factions of the Council of Elders, participate in the sittings of the Council of Elders, make speeches, and answer questions.
- 7.1. Besides the members of the Council of Elders and persons having the right to participate in the discussion of the issue, the following persons may participate in the public sittings of the Council of Elders of Yerevan:
 - (1) persons having such a right by law;
 - (2) the Chief Architect of Yerevan, the Chief of Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan and the employees of the Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan or those of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan ensuring the maintenance or coverage of the sittings according to the list defined by the Chief of Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan;
 - (3) employees of the Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan or other persons invited by the Mayor of Yerevan or the person holding the sitting.
- 7.2. While carrying out their professional activities in the seat of local self-government bodies of Yerevan, the journalists shall have the right to attend public sittings of the Council of Elders in a place separated immediately adjacent

- to the sitting hall of the Council of Elders, from where the sitting of the Council of Elders shall directly be visible and audible.
- 8. The procedure for convening the sittings of the Council of Elders and for discussing issues in the sittings shall be prescribed by the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders.

(Article 29 edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended by HO-179-N of 21 March 2018, supplemented by HO-256-N of 23 March 2018, edited by HO-147-N of 10 September 2019)

Article 30. The extraordinary sitting of the Council of Elders

- The extraordinary sitting of the Council of Elders shall be convened by the Mayor
 or at least by one third of the total number of members of the Council of Elders.
 The procedure for convening an extraordinary sitting shall be defined by the
 Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders.
- 2. The extraordinary sitting of the Council of Elders shall be held in the agenda and within time limits defined by the author of the initiative, but not earlier than in three days after the initiative.
- 3. The agenda of the extraordinary sitting, the draft decisions on the issues included therein and the documents attached thereto shall be provided to the members of the Council of Elders not later than within 24 hours after initiating the extraordinary sitting. These materials shall be posted also on the official website of Yerevan within the same time limits.

Article 31. Procedure for setting up factions of the Council of Elders

- The factions of the Council of Elders shall be established on the day of opening the first session of the newly-elected Council of Elders in compliance with the following principle; members of the Council of Elders elected upon nomination by the political party or alliance of parties having participated in the allocation of mandates of the members of the Council of Elders shall be included in the same faction.
- 2. The faction of the Council of Elders shall submit to the Mayor, in writing, its statute, name, composition, names, surnames of the Head and the Secretary which shall be published at the forthcoming sitting of the Council of Elders by the person holding the sitting.
- 3. The member of the Council of Elders may leave the faction by notifying thereon in writing to the Head of the relevant faction and the Mayor.
- 4. The activity of the faction shall terminate where all its members leave the faction.
- 5. The Mayor or the person holding the sitting of the Council of Elders shall be informed in writing about the changes in the composition of the faction, as well as about the termination or resumption of the activity of the faction. They shall make an announcement thereabout at the forthcoming sitting of the Council of Elders.

(Article 31 supplemented, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 32. Ensuring the activities of factions

- The factions shall be provided with separate sections in the hall of sittings of the Council of Elders.
- 2. The factions shall be provided with furnished separate offices equipped with technical and communication facilities in the Municipality of Yerevan or in another place designated by the Council of Elders of Yerevan.

- 3. The faction shall be provided with a car.
- 4. The secretary and experts of the factions shall be hired as contractors, fulfil the assignments of the head of the relevant faction upon submission, as well as assist in the activities of the faction and members of the Council of Elders upon the assignment thereof.
- 5. Factions with up to 7 members shall have one secretary and one expert envisaged by the staff list of the Staff of the Municipality. Factions with 7 to 11 members shall have one secretary and two experts, and those with more than 11 members shall have one secretary and three experts.

Article 33. Standing commissions of the Council of Elders

- The Council of Elders shall establish no more than 4 standing commissions for discussing and preparing issues within its competence, as well as exercising supervision on behalf of the Council of Elders.
- 2. Places within the standing commissions shall be distributed among the factions in proportion to the number of members thereof and through the procedure prescribed by the Rules of Procedure of the Council of Elders.
- 3. The right to nominate candidates for the positions of chairpersons of standing commissions and deputy chairpersons from among the composition of members of the Council of Elders shall be distributed among factions on the day of opening the first session of the Council of Elders, by the coefficient derived for each position, which shall be calculated by the following formula: Cf =Mf/(Pf +1), where:

Cf shall be the coefficient of a faction;

Mf shall be the total number of members of a faction;

Pf shall be the total number of the positions of chairpersons of standing commissions and their deputies reserved to the faction by the right of nominating a candidate when calculating the coefficient of the faction for the next position.

4. At the beginning of the calculation of the coefficients, the faction with the highest coefficient shall get the right to elect the first position of the chairperson of the standing commission or the deputy chairperson of the standing commission and the right to nominate a candidate therein. The faction with the highest coefficient compared to the other factions shall get the right to elect the next position of the chairperson of the standing commission or the deputy chairperson of the standing commission. Calculation of coefficients shall be repeated until the right to nominate a candidate for the last position of the chairpersons of standing commissions and their deputies is determined.

In case of equal highest coefficients, the right to nominate a candidate for the next position of the chairperson of the standing commission or the deputy thereof shall be determined upon the mutual consent of factions having equal coefficients, and, where it is impossible — by drawing of lots. Where the faction does not nominate a candidate for the chairperson of the standing commission and/or the deputy thereof, the right to nominate a candidate for the given position shall pass to the faction with the highest coefficient as for the beginning of the calculation of coefficients of the factions.

- 5. After determining the right to nominate candidates for the positions of the chairpersons of the standing commission or the deputies thereof, the factions may by mutual agreement replace and/or concede to each other the right to nominate a candidate for the position of the chairperson of the standing commission and/or the deputy thereof.
- 6. The Mayor, the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality, the heads of the administrative districts, the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be obliged to provide the necessary documents and statements of

information to the commission upon the request of at least one third of the total number of members of the standing commission of the Council of Elders.

- 7. The standing commission may invite to its sitting the heads of the relevant subdivisions of Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan, the heads of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan, as well as the Secretary of Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan by the majority votes of the total number of its members.
- 8. The issue of membership of the members of the Council of Elders in this or that standing commission shall be decided to by the relevant faction, and in case of impossibility thereof the issue shall be decided based upon the application by the member of the Council of Elders.

(Article 33 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 34. Ad-hoc commissions

- Upon the decision of the Council of Elders, ad-hoc commissions may be established
 for the purpose of preliminary discussion of separate draft decisions, announcements
 and messages of the Council of Elders and other issues, as well as for submitting
 opinions or statements of information thereon to the Council of Elders.
- An ad-hoc commission shall continue its activities until the implementation of powers of part 1 of this Article, but not longer than for 2 months. The powers of ad-hoc commissions may be extended for another 2 months upon the decision of the Council of Elders.
- 3. The provisions defined for standing commissions shall respectively apply to ad-hoc commissions.

Article 35. Inquiry commission

- 1. Upon the request of any faction of the Council of Elders, an ad-hoc inquiry commission shall be established to investigate matters of public interest related to local self-government in Yerevan. The name of the Chairperson of the Commission shall be submitted along with the request.
- 2. Faction may initiate to establish an inquiry commission once a calendar year.
- 3. The Inquiry Commission shall continue its activities until the given matter is clarified, but not longer than 6 months.
- 4. The Inquiry Commission shall consist of one representative from each faction, unless the Council of Elders decides on another equal representation.
- 5. The Mayor, the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality, the heads of the administrative districts and the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be obliged to provide the Commission with the necessary documents upon the request of the Chairperson of the Inquiry Commission, as well as upon the request of at least one fifth of the members of the Commission.

The sittings of the Inquiry Commission shall be public. Closed sittings can be held upon the decision of half of the total number of the Commission.

6. The provisions defined for standing commissions shall respectively apply to the Inquiry Commission.

Article 36. Mandatory participation of other officials in the sittings of the Council of Elders

1. Upon the request of one third of the total number of members of the Council of Elders, the Mayor, the Deputies thereof, the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality, heads of subdivisions, heads of organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be obliged to participate in the sittings

determined by the Council of Elders and make speeches with regard to the issued under discussion, as well as answer the questions of the members of the Council of Elders.

Article 37. Written and oral questions of the members of the Council of Elders

- During the sessions of the Council of Elders, according to the rules of procedure of the Council of Elders, the Mayor, the Deputy Mayors and the heads of the subdivisions of the Staff of the Municipality shall answer the oral questions of the members of the Council of Elders at least one sitting during two months. After the sitting, the shorthand notes of the sitting shall be posted on the official website of the Municipality within a two-week period.
- 2. Members of the Council of Elders shall have the right to submit written questions to the Mayor, who shall answer those questions within three weeks. The answers to written questions shall not be presented at the sitting of the Council of Elders.

These answers shall be posted on the official website of Yerevan within a one-week period.

Article 38. Discussions on urgent matters

Discussions of an urgent matter of public interest may be held at a regular sitting
of the Council of Elders upon the request of at least one third of the total
number of members of the Council of Elders.

Article 39. Taking a decision to hold a referendum and holding hearings (title amended by HO-350-N of 13 June 2018)

- The Council of Elders shall adopt a decision to hold a local referendum on the initiative of at least one third of the total number of members of the Council of Elders or the Mayor by the majority votes of the total number of members of the Council of Elders.
- 2. For the purpose of finding out the opinion of the population on the issues within its competence, the Council of Elders may hold public hearings before deciding on the issue, as well as adopt a decision on holding a local referendum, as prescribed by part 1 of this Article, the results of which shall not be binding.

(Article 39 amended by HO-64-N of 25 May 2016, edited by HO-350-N of 13 June 2018)

Article 40. Vote of no-confidence in the Mayor

- 1. At least one third of the total number of members of the Council of Elders may submit a draft decision on taking a vote of no-confidence against the Mayor. The draft decision shall include the name and surname of the member of the Council of Elders whom the initiative group nominates as a candidate for the Mayor, as well as it must be signed by all the members of the initiative group.
- The draft decision on the vote of no-confidence in the Mayor shall be handed in to the Mayor, as well as to the factions of the Council of Elders. The factions of the Council of Elders shall immediately inform the members of their factions about it.
- 3. Within 36 hours following the submission of the draft decision on the vote of no-confidence in the Mayor, a draft decision on the vote of no-confidence in the Mayor may be submitted also by at least one third of the total number of

- members of the Council of Elders not included in the initiative group, nominating another candidate for the Mayor.
- 4. On the third working day following the submission of a draft decision on the vote of no-confidence in the Mayor, at 10.00 o'clock, a sitting of the Council of Elders shall be convened by virtue of law, during which the matter of taking a vote of no-confidence against the Mayor shall be decided by a secret ballot.
- 5. Voting shall be held by secret ballot papers, which shall include the candidate nominated by the draft decision on the vote of no-confidence in the Mayor, and where there are two such drafts both candidates shall be included. Each member of the Council of Elders shall have the right to one vote.
- 6. No-confidence shall be voted to the Mayor, where the nominated candidate (one of the candidates) receives the majority of votes of the total number of members of the Council of Elders.
- 7. In the case prescribed by part 6 of this Article, the acting Mayor shall resign, and the newly-elected Mayor shall assume his or her powers within a one-week period through the procedure prescribed by Article 47 of this Law.
- 8. An initiative to submit a draft decision on a vote of no-confidence in the Mayor may be taken no earlier than one year after the Mayor assumes his or her powers and the issue of no-confidence is discussed.
- 9. Motion of no confidence in the Mayor may not be submitted during martial law or a state of emergency.

CHAPTER 3

THE MAYOR

Article 41. Legal status of the Mayor

- 1. The Mayor shall:
 - (1) be considered a local self-government body;
 - (2) represent Yerevan as a community, the Council of Elders and the Municipality in relations with other persons and entities;
 - (3) manage the activities of the Municipality;
 - (4) be a member of the Council of Elders;
 - (5) in the cases provided for by law, act in the court as a representative of the community (Yerevan), as well as issue, within the scope of his or her competence, a power of attorney to act in the court;
- 2. The procedure for elections of the Mayor shall be defined by the Constitutional law "The Electoral Code of the Republic of Armenia".

(Article 41 supplemented by HO-192-N of 25 March 2020, HO-336-N of 18 June 2020)

Article 42. Requirements for the Mayor

- 1. A person may become a Mayor if she or he has attained the age of 30, is a citizen of the Republic of Armenia, is a member of the Council of Elders and is not a citizen of another state.
- 2. The Mayor may not engage in entrepreneurial activities, hold another position in state or local self-government bodies or commercial organisations, and perform paid work other than scientific, pedagogical and creative work.

Article 43. Term of powers of the Mayor

1. The Mayor shall be elected for the whole period of powers of the Council of Elders having elected him or her.

Article 44. Holding elections of the Mayor

(Article repealed by HO_336-N of 18 June 2020)

Article 45. Automatic termination and termination of powers of the Mayor

- 1. The powers of the Mayor shall automatically terminate upon assuming his or her powers by the newly-elected Mayor.
- 2. The powers of the Mayor shall automatically terminate where he or she:
 - (1) has lost the electoral rights of the member of the Council of Elders;
 - (2) holds a position incompatible with the position of the Mayor;
 - (3) has resigned;
 - (4) has lost the powers of the member of the Council of Elders;
 - (5) has received citizenship of another country;
 - (6) has died.
- 3. The powers of the Mayor shall be early terminated in case of issuing a vote of noconfidence through the procedure prescribed by Article 40 of this Law.
- 4. In cases prescribed by part 2 of this Article, except for the case prescribed by point 6, the Council of Elders shall draw up a protocol on the early termination of the powers of the Mayor.

5. The same person may not be nominated for the Mayor within one year after the early termination of the powers of the Mayor.

(Article 45 edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 46. Early elections of the Mayor

(Article repealed by HO-336-N of 18 June 2020)

Article 47. Assuming powers of the Mayor

1. The Mayor shall assume his or her powers on the third calendar day following his or her election, with the following oath given to the residents of Yerevan at the sitting of the Council of Elders convened by virtue of law:

"Assuming the office of the Mayor of Yerevan - the capital city of the Republic of Armenia - I swear to respect the Constitution, the laws of the Republic of Armenia, the decisions of the Council of Elders of Yerevan, to honestly and conscientiously exercise the powers of the Mayor of Yerevan, to serve the prosperity of Yerevan, to act for the benefit of its residents while exercising the powers of the Mayor. I pledge to take care for the preservation and multiplication of the glory of our ancient capital, to protect the rights, legal interests and property of the community, to support the faith of the people with unconditional devotion, to contribute to its material and spiritual growth.

To support any honest initiative aimed at implementing the cherished ideas of my fellow citizens."

2. The procedure for the oath ceremony of the Mayor shall be defined by the rules of procedure of the Council of Elders.

Article 48. Deputy Mayors, advisers, assistants and the press secretary to the Mayor

- 1. The Mayor shall have one First Deputy and may have other deputies but not more than 4.
- 2. The First Deputy Mayor shall substitute the Mayor in cases of the absence of the latter.
- 3. The Deputy Mayors shall be appointed by the Council of Elders upon the submission by the Mayor.
- 4. The First Deputy Mayor must be a member of the Council of Elders.
- 5. The Deputy Mayors are removed from their offices by the Mayor.
- 6. The Deputy Mayors shall exercise powers vested in them by the rules of procedure of the Municipality.
- 6.1. In cases provided for by law, the <u>Deputy Mayor may act in the court as a representative of the community (Yerevan)</u>, as well as issue, within the scope of his or her competence, powers of attorney to act in the court.
- 6.2. The Deputy Mayor shall be the head (commander) of the militia military base-equivalent of the city of Yerevan. The Deputy Mayor shall perform the management of the militia military base-equivalent in accordance with the plans of training and application of the militia.
- 7. The Deputy Mayors may exercise other powers as well upon the assignment of the Mayor.
- 8. The Deputy Mayors may not engage in entrepreneurial activities, hold a position in state or local self-government bodies or in commercial organisations, perform other paid work except for scientific, pedagogical or creative work.
- 9. The Mayor may have advisers, assistants and a press secretary.

- 10. The number of the advisers and assistants to the Mayor shall be defined by the Council of Elders upon the submission by the Mayor.
- 11. The Advisers, Press Secretary and assistants to the Mayor shall be appointed to and removed from their offices by the Mayor.

(Article 48 supplemented by HO-192-N of 25 March 2020, HO-469-N of 28 October 2020, amended by HO-485-N of 3 November 2020)

Article 48.1. Chief architect of Yerevan

- 1. Yerevan shall have a Chief Architect of Yerevan, who shall be appointed to and removed from his or her office by the Mayor.
- 2. The Chief Architect of Yerevan may have an assistant who shall be appointed to and removed from his or her office by the Mayor.

(Article 48.1 supplemented by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011)

Article 49. Legal acts of the Mayor

- 1. Guided by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia, the Mayor shall adopt decisions and issue orders within the scope of his or her competence.
- 2. The acts of the Mayor shall enter into force through the procedure prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On legal acts". These acts shall be posted also on the official website of the Municipality within a one-week period.

Article 50. Organising the activities of the Mayor

1. The Mayor shall organise his or her activities with the help of the Deputy Mayor (Deputy Mayors), heads of administrative districts, the Chief Architect of

Yerevan, Advisers, assistants, Press Secretary to the Mayor, the Staff of the Municipality of Yerevan.

(Article 50 supplemented by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011)

Article 51. Staff of the Municipality

- 1. The organisation and management of activities of the Staff of the Municipality shall be performed by the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality.
- 2. The service performed in the Municipality shall be community service. The community service performed at the Staff of the Municipality shall be regulated by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On community service".
- 3. The Staff of the Municipality shall have structural (department, secretariat, division) and separated (staff of the head of the administrative district, division, service, etc.) subdivisions.

(sentence removed by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011)

- 4. The Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality shall:
 - organise the activities of the Staff of the Municipality and implement coordination of activities of the structural sub-divisions within the scope of his or her competence;
 - (2) ensure the execution of the decisions, orders of the Mayor, and report thereon to the Mayor;
 - (3) draw up annual and quarterly programmes for the activities of the Staff of the Municipality, submit these programmes to the Mayor for approval, exercise supervision over the implementation thereof, report the results to the Mayor;
 - (4) ensure the execution of budget expenditures of Yerevan;

- (5) organise the reception of the residents of Yerevan, the discussion of their petitions, applications and complaints through the procedure prescribed;
- (5.1) approve the safety rules in the area and premises of the seat of local self-government bodies of Yerevan;
- (6) exercise other powers prescribed by law and the rules of procedure of the Staff of the Municipality.
- 5. Persons carrying out maintenance operations at the Staff of the Municipality shall be appointed to and removed from their positions by the Secretary of the Staff of the Municipality.

(Article 51 supplemented, amended by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011, amended by HO-17-N of 21 December 2017, supplemented by HO-256-N of 23 March 2018)

Article 52. General characteristics of the powers of the Mayor

- 1. The Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) organise the activities of the Council of Elders and ensure the normal operation thereof, execute decisions of the Council of Elders, carry out general management of the Staff of the Municipality;
 - (2) undertake measures within the scope of his or her competence to ensure the rights and freedoms of the residents;
 - (3) appoint and dismiss, in the manners prescribed by law, the Secretary of Staff of the Municipality and heads of the structural and separated subdivisions;
 - (4) define numbering of the buildings and structures, as well as land plots of Yerevan, issue permissions for provision of a real estate address in the administrative territory of the community;

- (4.1) issue a permission for use of the name of the community in a trade name;
- (4.2) issue, in the manner prescribed, permission for carrying out and/or providing civil funeral (final farewell ceremony) services;
- (4.3) issue, in the manner prescribed, permission for organising of sale or provision of services through an itinerant trade point in the city of Yerevan;
- (4.4) define the procedure for marking the places permitted for carrying out itinerant trade and for equipping them with signs;
- (4.5) issue, in the manner prescribed, permission for carrying out street trade in Yerevan;
- (5) submit to the Council of Elders the annual programme of providing for use and alienating the property deemed to be the property of Yerevan and, accordingly, dispose the mentioned property;
- (6) appoint to and dismiss from office the heads of municipal organisations;
- (6.1) adopt a decision on the structure, number of employees, staff list and pay rates of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan;
- (7) appoint and dismiss the heads of the administrative districts;
- (8) determine the seat of the heads of the administrative districts;
- (9) independently organise and manage, with own responsibility, exercise of the powers delegated by the State, as prescribed by law or the Government;
- (10) present to the public annual reports on the activities of the Council of Elders, his or her activities and the general socio-economic situation in Yerevan. These reports shall be posted on the official website of Yerevan;
- (11) exercise supervision over the activities of the heads of the administrative districts and be responsible for the proper implementation of their powers;

(12) carry out management of the infrastructures deemed to be the property of Yerevan and ensure their operation;

(13) (point repealed by HO-256-N of 23 March 2018)

- (14) submit to the Council of Elders a recommendation on the number, names, procedure for establishment, rules of operation and powers of the public advisory councils operating adjunct to the Mayor and the heads of the administrative districts;
- (14.1) grant legal persons and individual entrepreneurs a permission for fireworks of technical and special significance in Yerevan in accordance with the laws and other legal acts of the Republic of Armenia;

14.1. (point repealed by HO-147-N of 10 September 2019)

- (14.3) take the initiative of holding a local referendum;
- (14.4) adopt a decision on calling a local referendum;
- (15) other competences prescribed exclusively by this Law and other laws.
- 2. The Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
 - (1) decide, as prescribed by law, the issue of holding public assemblies in the territory of Yerevan;
 - (2) other powers delegated to the Mayor of Yerevan by law.
- 3. For the purpose of conducting efficient local self-governance in Yerevan, certain powers of the Mayor shall be assigned to the heads of the administrative districts by law.
- 4. Other powers of the Mayor may, upon proposal of the Mayor and decision of the Council of Elders, also be delegated to the heads of the administrative districts, except for the powers in relations with the Council of Elders.

(Article 52 supplemented by HO-226-N of 6 December 2012, HO-8-N of 26 February 2015, amended, edited, supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October

2017, supplemented by HO-200-N of 21 March 2018, supplemented, amended by HO-256-N of 23 March 2018, supplemented by HO-350-N of 13 June 2018, amended by HO-147-N of 10 September 2019, supplemented by HO-84-N of 24 January 2020, HO-78-N of 11 February 2021)

Article 53. Powers of the Mayor in relations with the Council of Elders

- 1. The Mayor shall exercise the following own powers in relations with the Council of Elders. He or she shall submit to the Council of Elders:
 - (1) recommendations on establishment, reorganisation, liquidation and approval of statutes of the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan or of the amendments made thereto, as well as on termination of the participation by Yerevan in other organisations;
 - (2) (point repealed by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011)
 - (3) the one-year, five-year, long-term and special development programmes of Yerevan (including the PPP programmes envisaged within the scope of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On public-private partnership");
 - (4) the draft decisions on the structures, number of staff members, staff lists and pay rates of the Staff of the Municipality and other organisations with the status of a public institution and being under the subordination of Yerevan, and the amendments recommended therein;
 - (5) the draft budget of Yerevan and the amendments recommended thereto;
 - (6) the draft decisions on compositions of the boards and audit bodies of the commercial organisations, in the statutory capital of which Yerevan has participation;
 - (7) the draft decisions on the types and rates of local taxes and duties (within the limits prescribed by law), as well as payments charged for the services provided by the Municipality;

- (8) the draft decisions on naming and renaming of the streets, avenues, squares, parks of Yerevan, as well as educational, cultural and other organisations under the subordination of Yerevan, and submit them for registration as prescribed by law (except for the historic and cultural monuments and natural monuments);
- (9) the drafts of the Master Plan of the city of Yerevan and the modifications thereto, as well as of the design statement as prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia;
- (10) the drafts on zoning of separate areas of Yerevan, developed in compliance with the Master Plan of the city of Yerevan, as well as on the design statement;
- (11) the drafts on making changes in the designated purpose of land plots, in the manner and cases prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.
- 2. Members of the Council of Elders may also take the initiative of adopting decisions on the issues referred to in points 1-8 of part 1 of this Article.

(Article 53 edited, supplemented by HO-229-N of 23 June 2011, edited, amended, supplemented by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, supplemented by HO-117-N of 28 June 2019)

Article 54. Powers of the Mayor in the field of finance

- 1. The Mayor shall exercise the following own powers in the field of finance:
 - (1) draw up the draft budget of Yerevan and submit to the Council of Elders in the manner prescribed;
 - (2) dispose the funds of the budget of Yerevan and ensure the targeted use thereof;

- (3) control the financial activities of the Chief Financial Officer and the Secretary of Staff of the Municipality;
- (4) organise, as prescribed by law, collection of the property tax and land tax, as well as collect and oversight of local taxes and duties, payments for the services delivered thereby and of inflows received from lease and alienation of the property deemed to be the property of Yerevan;
- (5) apply, as prescribed by law, appropriate measures to persons failing to pay the taxes belonging to the budget of Yerevan and other inflows prescribed by law (except for persons failing to pay income tax and profit tax);
- (6) submits an annual report to the Council of Elders on the budget performance;
- (7) ensure the internal audit system in the Municipality within the scope of the legislation.

(Article 54 amended by HO-260-N of 22 December 2010, HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 55. Powers of the Mayor in the fields of urban development and utilities

- 1. In the fields of urban development and utilities, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) the power in the sector of urban development activities of municipal significance with regard to the powers vested in the heads of communities in the sector of urban development by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On urban development", other laws and legal acts shall be exercised by the Mayor. Everything carried out in an urban development zone or meeting certain conditions shall be deemed to be urban development activities;

- (2) issue, as prescribed by law, permission for placing external advertising in an municipal advertising zone (municipal streets and areas immediately adjacent thereto, as well as municipal squares and parks);
- (3) submit to the Council of Elders the pay rates required for works carried out within the scope of mandatory norms for the maintenance of multi-apartment buildings under the management of the heads of the administrative districts;
- (4) organise, within the scope of his or her competence, housing and other construction;
- (5) implement a programme on ensuring necessary conditions for the free movement of disabled persons and population groups with limited mobility at the existing urban development establishments;
- (6) organise the works performed by the heads of the administrative districts to suspend the unauthorized construction and eliminate the unauthorised structures;
- (7) exercise supervision over the targeted use and maintenance of the buildings and structures located in the territory of Yerevan;
- (8) organise the activities related to urban cemeteries and exercise supervision over the activities related to private cemeteries;
- (9) organise the operation of the communication channels, water, sewerage, gas, irrigation and heating networks and other engineering structures owned by the city of Yerevan;

(10) (point repealed by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

(11) organise garbage collection, cleaning, improvement and landscaping of the municipal streets, squares, parks and other public places of general use;

- (11.1) exercise other powers provided for by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On garbage collection and sanitary cleaning";
- (12) draw up the draft Urban Development Charter of Yerevan and submit it to the Council of Elders, exercise supervision over fulfilment of the requirements of the Charter;
- (13) carry out the maintenance of various cadastres (forest, urban development, communication, transport, monuments, etc.).
- 2. In the fields of urban development and utilities, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
 - (1) manage the operation of the state-owned inter-community communication channels, water, sewerage, gas, irrigation and heating networks and other engineering structures, transferred to his or her management.

(Article 55 supplemented by HO-239-N of 23 June 2011, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 56. Powers of the Mayor in the field of maintenance of public order

- 1. In the fields of maintenance of public order, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) monitors observance of the rules of cohabitation;
 - (2) monitors compliance with the requirements of the rules approved by the Council of Elders;
 - (3) subject offenders to administrative liability in cases prescribed by the Code of the Republic of Armenia "On Administrative Offences";
 - (4) take measures to prevent, reduce, preclude and detect these offences.

2. For the purpose of exercising the power prescribed by part 1 of this Article, the Mayor shall create a community service for the maintenance of public order in Yerevan.

(Article 56 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 56.1. Functions of the Mayor in the field of regulation of public events (title amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- 1. A public event shall be an event not deemed to be an assembly (celebrations, cultural and sport events, etc.), which takes place in outdoor places (street, sidewalk, square, garden, park, etc.) or may be attended by persons and the scope of which is not determined by the organiser of the public event.
- 2. The procedure for organising and holding ceremonies shall be prescribed in the manner prescribed by Article 7 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On freedom of conscience and religious organisations".
- 3. Where the number of participants of the public event is expected to exceed three hundred, the public event shall be held upon a notice to the Mayor. Notification shall be made by the organiser of the public event not later than 3 days prior to the day of holding the public event, in any of the following ways preferred by the organiser in person, via phone or mail.
- 4. Where the number of participants of the public event is expected not to exceed three hundred, no notification shall be required; however, the organiser of the public event may, for the purpose of ensuring the safety and the smooth running of the public event, notify the Mayor of holding a public event.
- 5. The notification must include the following information:
 - (1) venue of the public event;
 - (2) approximate time of the beginning and end of the public event;

- (3) expected number of participants;
- (4) objects or technical means to be used for holding the public event;
- (5) name, surname of the organiser of the public event and his or her telephone numbers if available.
- 6. The Mayor shall consider the notification of holding the public event within 24 hours from the moment of receiving the notification on the public event. Where the last day for the response is a non-working day, the answer shall be submitted on the next working day following the last day.
- 7. Where it becomes clear from the notification submitted to the Mayor or other available information that the time, venue or manner of the intended public event may directly lead to the emergence of the risks specified in part 12 of this Article, the authorised body may lay down conditions for holding the public event. They may relate exclusively to the time, venue or manner of holding the public event.
- 8. Where an agreement on the conditions is obtained, they shall be recorded and attached to the case. Where it has been impossible to agree on the conditions, the authorised body shall adopt a decision on imposing restrictions on the time, venue or manner of holding the public event.
- 9. Restrictions set up for holding the public event may not distort the purpose of the public event, as well as they may not, by territorial isolation of the participants of the public event, as well as by changing the time of the public event, substantially reduce its potential impact on the target public audience or in any other way lead to the actual prohibition of the public event.
- 10. In case of offering another place, the possibility of participation with the expected number of participants specified in the notification must particularly be ensured, must not be offered places which are outside the community chosen by the organiser, and the offered place must be close to the place specified in the notification to the extent possible.

- 11. Holding another public event at the time and venue mentioned in the notification on the public event shall not in itself serve as a ground for imposing restrictions on the public event, unless there is an imminent danger of clashes between participants of the two events. If the mentioned risk is imminent, the restrictions prescribed by this Article shall apply to the public event the notification whereon has been submitted later.
- 12. Where applications for holding a public assembly and a public event on the same day and at the same place have been submitted, the public assembly shall be given preference to.
- 13. Where the application on holding a public assembly on the same day and at the same place has been submitted later than the application for holding a public event, the public assembly shall be given preference to, except for the cases when:
 - (1) the expected number of participants of the public event will substantially exceed the number of participants of the public assembly; or
 - (2) the public event was planned in advance, and moving it to another place will result in disproportionate difficulties or costs, and it is possible to offer an alternative place for holding the public assembly, which will not lead to distortion of the purpose of the assembly or will not substantially reduce its potential impact on the target public audience due to territorial isolation of the participants of the assembly as well as changing the time or place of the public assembly, or in any other way lead to the actual prohibition of the public assembly.
- 14. The Mayor may prohibit holding of the public event, where it is necessary in the interest of:
 - (1) protection of life, health or property of persons;
 - (2) prevention of significant inconveniences arising for the public;

- (3) prevention of the imminent and significant danger for the environment.
- 15. The Mayor shall have not the right to prohibit holding of the public event, where it is possible to prevent the risks referred to in part 14 of this Article by restrictions imposed on holding the event.
- 16. Where the grounds prescribed by this Article for prohibiting the public event do not emerge, the notification shall be deemed to be taken into consideration. The Mayor shall immediately inform the organisers and the Police of the Republic of Armenia adjunct to the Government of the Republic of Armenia about taking into consideration the notification, as well as he or she shall post a note thereon in the building of the local self-governmental body, in a place accessible and visible to all.

17. The organiser of the public event shall:

- (1) decide on the course of the public event;
- (2) be obliged to be present in the public event and be available for the Police representatives;
- (3) be obliged, during the public event, to take the necessary measures to ensure the smooth running of the public event, in particular, through calls to preventing violent actions by participants of the public event, refraining from violence and keeping distance from participants ready to use force;
- (4) have the right to apply to Police officers for removing by force from the place of the public event the persons grossly violating the smooth process of the public event;
- (5) be obliged to immediately inform the participants of the public event about the demands of the Police officers for ensuring the smooth process of the public event.

(Article 56.1 supplemented by HO-74-N of 14 April 2011, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 57. Powers of the Mayor in the field of transport and road construction

- 1. In the field of transport and road construction, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) organising the construction, maintenance and operation of the municipal automobile roads, bridges, tunnels and other engineering structures;
 - (2) supporting the organisation of the construction, maintenance and operation works of transit sections of the interstate and republican automobile roads passing through Yerevan;
 - (3) organising the operation of the public transport in Yerevan (except for Yerevan Metro);
 - (4) implementing a programme on adapting the public transport to the free movement of disabled persons and population groups with limited mobility.
- 2. In this field, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
 - (1) regulating the road traffic in the territory of Yerevan through road markings, as well as placement of traffic signs and traffic lights (except for those placed temporarily in cases provided for by the law);
 - (2) organise the activities of Yerevan Metro.

(Article 57 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 58. Powers of the Mayor in the veterinary medicine and phytosanitary fields

(title edited by HO-139-N of 21 June 2014)

1. In the veterinary medicine and phytosanitary fields, the Mayor shall exercise the following powers delegated by the State:

- (1) support the works of implementation of the state programme of annual veterinary and epidemiological measures;
- (2) support the veterinary service works, measures aimed at prevention, diagnosis, treatment and elimination of animal diseases, the isolation, detoxication and destruction of animal carcasses, food of animal origin and raw materials subject to rejection, the disinfection of premises, the placement and storage of animal wastes of organic origin, excluding the entrance of animals into these areas, the organization of centralised slaughter of animals under veterinary inspection, the collection and storage of raw materials and food of animal origin;
- (3) support the works carried out within the territory of the community against agricultural crops diseases, pests and weeds;
- (4) support the works of numbering, record-registration and registration of farm animals, as well as maintenance of animal passports, registers of animal record-registration and veterinary medicine measures prescribed by this Law and other legal acts.
- 2. In the field of veterinary medicine, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) organise veterinary medicine services through the veterinarian of the community.

(Article 58 edited by HO-139-N of 21 June 2014, supplemented by HO-39-N of 21 December 2017)

Article 59. Powers of the Mayor in the field of land use

- 1. In the field of land use, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) organise the works carried out by the heads of the administrative districts with regard to suspending and eliminating illegal land use;

- (2) on the ground provided for by point 8.1 of part 1 of Article 102 of the Land Code of the Republic of Armenia, file a statement of claim in the court on transferring the land to the community through compulsory alienation or compensation.
- 2. In the field of land use, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
 - (1) (point repealed by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)
 - (2) carry out, as prescribed by the legislation, the current record-registration of the lands within the administrative territory of Yerevan, current classification of the land cover and draw up the land balance sheet of Yerevan;
 - (3) possess and use, within the scope of his or her powers, the state-owned lands transferred to his or her management;
 - (4) ensure, in the manner prescribed, maintenance of the geodesic points and border marks located within the administrative borders of Yerevan.

(Article 59 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended, supplemented by HO-76-N of 16 January 2018, supplemented by HO-362-N of 13 June 2018)

Article 60. Powers of the Mayor in the field of trade and service

- 1. In the field of trade and service, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - exercise, within the scope of powers vested therein by law, control in the field of trade, public catering, household services and those subject to restriction;
 - (2) award, upon the basis of an application, quality grades to the organisations in the sectors of trade and service in the manner prescribed by the Council of Elders and in compliance with the criteria;

(3) grant the facilities providing services subject to restriction (karaoke, disco club, striptease club, sauna, bath and steam bath) permission for activities within the territory of the city of Yerevan.

(Article 60 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended, supplemented by HO-379-N of 11 September 2018)

Article 61. Powers of the Mayor in the field of education, culture and activities carried out with the youth

- 1. In the field of education, culture and activities carried out with the youth, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) organise the activities of schools, kindergartens, clubs, houses of culture, libraries, other educational and cultural organisations under the subordination of Yerevan, as well as the operation and renovation works thereof;
 - (2) exercise own powers reserved to the head of the community in this sector by laws and other legal acts.
- 2. In this field, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated power:
 - (1) organise public events related to nationwide cultural, sports, as well as state, national holidays and commemoration days.

(Article 61 amended by HO-74-N of 14 April 2011, HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 62. Powers of the Mayor in the field of healthcare, physical training and sport

- 1. In the field of healthcare, physical training and sport, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) manage the healthcare and sports organisations deemed to be the property of the city of Yerevan;

- (2) ensure fulfilment of the requirements of the special regime in case of epidemics or the risk thereof in the territory of Yerevan;
- (3) organise creation, maintenance and operation of the urban recreational areas;
- (4) take a decision on setting quarantine as prescribed by Article 20.2 of the Law "On ensuring sanitary and epidemiological safety of the population of the Republic of Armenia".
- 2. In this field, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
- (1) participate in the management of state-owned healthcare and sports organisations, as prescribed by law;
- (2) participate in the implementation of sanitary and hygienic, anti-epidemic and quarantine measures of the hygiene and anti-epidemiological bodies in cases and as prescribed by law;
- (3) assess the health indicators of the residents of Yerevan and submit recommendations to the authorised body in cases and as prescribed by law;
- (4) participate in the implementation of state healthcare measures in Yerevan in cases and as prescribed by law.

(Article 62 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, supplemented by HO-408-N of 4 September 2020)

Article 63. Powers of the Mayor in the field of social protection

- 1. In the field of social protection, the Mayor shall exercise the following own power:
 - (1) organise the activities of urban social security institutions and organisations.
- 2. (part repealed by HO-99-N of 4 March 2020)

(Article 63 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, HO-99-N of 4 March 2020)

Article 64. Powers of the Mayor in the field of environmental protection (title amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- 1. In the field of environmental protection, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) carry out protection of the lands deemed to be the property of the city of Yerevan from erosion, flooding, swamping, pollution by chemical and radioactive substances and industrial waste:
 - (2) implement community programmes on environmental protection;
 - (3) perform works aimed at the struggle against plant diseases and pests in the lands deemed to be the property of the city of Yerevan;
 - (4) the Mayor shall, upon agreement with the state administration body of the sector of environmental protection, submit to the Yerevan Council of Elders the list of the necessary measures aimed at the environmental protection of Yerevan and the schedule for the implementation thereof for each year.
- 2. In this field, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated powers:
 - (1) perform the works envisaged by the state environmental programmes in the territory of Yerevan;
 - (2) assist in the preservation and use of specially protected zones of the reserves and sanctuaries located within the territory of Yerevan, implementation of the measures taken against poaching, illegal fishing and deforestation in these areas.

(Article 64 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, HO-123-N of 4 March 2020)

Article 65. Relations of the Mayor with the bodies of the state administration system and the territorial services thereof in Yerevan

(title amended by HO-25-N of 21 January 2020)

- 1. In relations with the bodies of the state administration system and the territorial services thereof in Yerevan, the Mayor shall:
 - (1) submit recommendations on the issues related to Yerevan with regard to the competence thereof;
 - (2) organise, with participation of the heads of the Yerevan territorial bodies of the state administration system, consultations, draw the participants' attention to the issues related to Yerevan;
 - (3) may apply to the police for receiving appropriate assistance with regard to prevention of and prohibition on the cases of illegal construction, use of subsurface, as well as seizure of lands, illegal deforestation, poaching and illegal fishing in the territory of Yerevan;
 - (4) the Mayor shall inform the police about the measures (including the assemblies and public events) organised in Yerevan, in case whereof the police shall take necessary measures for the purpose of maintaining public order during those events, as well as ensuring the regular activities of Yerevan;
 - (5) the Mayor shall have the right to submit to the state administration body a written, substantiated recommendation on the activities of the latter's territorial service.

(Article 65 amended by HO-74-N of 14 April 2011, HO-25-N of 21 January 2020)

Article 66. Powers of the Mayor in the field of organising protection of the population from emergency situations and civil protection

(title amended by HO-55-N of 1 March 2017, edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- 1. In the field of organising protection of the population from emergency situations and civil protection, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) the Mayor shall be the head of civil protection;
 - (2) the Mayor shall, in the field of civil protection and emergency situations, exercise the powers reserved to the head of the community by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On local self-government" and other laws regulating the field.

(Article 66 amended by HO-55-N of 1 March 2017, amended, edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 67. Powers of the Mayor in the fields of electronic communication, power supply, water supply and gas supply

- 1. In the fields of electronic communication, power supply, water supply and gas supply, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) the Mayor shall, in relation to the issues of electronic communication, power supply, heat supply and gas supply in the territory of Yerevan, invite the officials of the relevant organisations, hold consultations and draw their attention to the need to solve the issues having arisen;
 - (2) operators having a dominant position in the field of electronic communication, as well as private organisations providing services in the fields of power supply, water supply and gas supply shall, once in every year, submit to the Mayor a report on the activities carried out thereby and the planned measures, and these organisations shall, without prior

notification to the Mayor and coordination therewith, have no right to terminate the supply of power, gas and water for more than 3 hours, except for emergency cases.

(Article 67 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 68. Powers of the Mayor in the field of defence organisation (title edited by HO-217-N of 18 November 2009)

- 1. In the field of defence organisation in the city of Yerevan, the Mayor shall exercise the following own powers:
 - (1) maintain, as prescribed by law, the register of conscripts of the community and the lists thereon, as well as submit to the territorial military commissariat the data on the removal from record-registration of the place of residence, employment and dismissal from work;
 - (2) participate in the organisation of military conscription, mobilisation and drills in the cases and as prescribed by law;
 - (3) in case of having information on the conscript citizens having violated their obligations, immediately provide a written information thereon to the territorial military commissariat.

2. (part repealed by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- 3. In the field of defence organisation, the Mayor shall exercise the following delegated power:
 - (1) ensure replenishment of the militia brigade-equivalent of the administrative districts of the city of Yerevan with the militia from the citizens record-registered in the city of Yerevan according to the administrative districts.

(Article 68 edited by HO-217-N of 18 November 2009, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, supplemented by HO-469-N of 28 October 2020)

Article 69. Powers of the Mayor for accomplishment of voluntary tasks of the community

(title edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

- The Mayor shall, in addition to own powers prescribed by this Law and the ones delegated by the State, also have the powers for accomplishment of voluntary tasks defined by the Council of Elders.
- 2. The voluntary tasks of the community shall be defined by the community Council of Elders.

(Article 69 amended by HO-74-N of 14 April 2011, edited by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

CHAPTER 4

BUDGET OF YEREVAN AND YEREVAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

Article 70. Budget of Yerevan

- 1. The budget of Yerevan shall be the one-year financial programme for the formation and spending of incomes (inflows), intended for the implementation of the Yerevan Development Programme and exercise of the powers of the Council of Elders and the Mayor prescribed by this Law.
- 2. The budget of Yerevan shall be adopted for one year.
- 3. The budget shall comprise of the administrative and fund parts. The budget shall be implemented as prescribed by law.

- 4. Exercise of the delegated powers of the Mayor may not be financed from the sources of inflows of the budget of Yerevan prescribed by Article 73 of this Law (except for the case specified in point 16).
- 5. At least 3 percent of the total planned volume of the funds received from the sources of inflows referred to in Article 73 of this Law (except for those mentioned in points 3-5, 14, 16 and 19-24), of the budget of Yerevan approved for the year concerned shall be intended for financing of the powers defined for the accomplishment of voluntary tasks of the community.

(Article 70 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 71. Discussion and approval of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The Mayor shall submit the draft budget of Yerevan to the Council of Elders for discussion within a two-month period following publication of the initial numbers of dotations provided to the communities on the principle of financial equalisation by the Government of the Republic of Armenia. The draft budget shall be sent to the members of the Council of Elders at least 20 days before the discussion. Where the initial number of dotations provided to Yerevan on the principle of financial equalisation changes when adopting the State Budget, the Mayor shall, within a two-week period, submit the relevant budget changes to the Council of Elders for approval.
- The procedure for discussing the draft budget of Yerevan at the sitting of the Council of Elders shall be prescribed by law and the rules of procedure of the Council of Elders.
- 3. In case the budget of Yerevan is not adopted, the time limits for discussion of the new draft budget may be determined by the Council of Elders in agreement with the Mayor, or by the Mayor by convening an extraordinary sitting of the Council of Elders.

- 4. Where the Council of Elders does not adopt the budget of Yerevan before the beginning of the year, expenditures shall be incurred in the proportions of the budget for the previous year. In this case, the Mayor shall be obliged to fulfil the obligations arising from the previously concluded contracts, not to make new investments and to make the expenses in the amount not exceeding the expenses made in each month of the previous year.
- 5. During the budget year, the Mayor may, within the limits of 5 percent of the total amount of the allocations approved by the decision of the Council of Elders on the budget of Yerevan for the year concerned, redistribute the amounts of the approved allocations among the expenditure programmes defined by that decision, unless otherwise provided for by the decision of the Council of Elders on the budget of Yerevan for the year concerned.

During the budget year, the Mayor may carry out internal redistribution among the items of economic classification, in the amount not exceeding the 17 percent of the total amount of the allocations prescribed by the decision of the Council of Elders on the budget of Yerevan with regard to each programme, unless otherwise provided for by the decision of the Council of Elders on the budget of Yerevan for the year concerned.

- 6. The state authorised body shall provide methodical and advisory support during the development and preparation of the draft budget of Yerevan, as well as control the budgetary process as prescribed by law.
- 7. The procedure for forming and submitting the budget of Yerevan shall be prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the budget system of the Republic of Armenia".

Article 72. Requirements for the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The settlement and cash outflows envisaged in each part (administrative and fund) of the budget of Yerevan for the budget year may not exceed the settlement and cash inflows envisaged by the relevant parts of the budget for the year concerned.
- 2. Excess of revenues over expenditures of the budget shall make the budget surplus, and excess of expenditures over revenues of the budget shall make the budget deficit (hereinafter referred to as "the deficit").
- 3. The deficit of the budget of Yerevan shall be financed at the expense of borrowed means attracted as prescribed by law, funds of the clear balance as of the beginning of the year of the budget of Yerevan, funds received from the return of budgetary loans, as well as from privatisation of the state participation in the statutory capital of legal persons (except for the privatisations made for the purpose of development of the infrastructures of the gas supply system in the natural gas sector before 31 January 2014) and of the means deducted to the budget of Yerevan in the amounts defined by law, from alienation of the state-owned real estate. The amount of the deficit of the budget of Yerevan must not exceed the total amount of sources prescribed by law for financing of the deficit.
- 4. The amount of deficit or surplus of the budget of Yerevan shall be determined by the decision of the Yerevan Council of Elders on the budget of Yerevan for the year concerned.
- 5. Of the budget of Yerevan approved for the budget year concerned:
 - (1) the amount of the deficit secured by the sources of financing of the administrative part may not exceed the total sum of difference between the amount of the means of the clear balance as of the beginning of the year of the administrative part of the budget of Yerevan for the year concerned, intended for financing of the existing obligations for expenditures not

financed but subject to financing from the administrative part in the (final) budget year preceding the year concerned, as well as of the amounts to be received in the year concerned from the return of the loan means provided from the administrative part of the budget of Yerevan in the years preceding the year concerned and the amounts to be repaid from the administrative part of the budget in the year concerned with regard to the loan received in the previous years;

- the amount of the net inflows (in the amount of the positive difference between the borrowed means received and repaid) of the borrowed means attracted for the purpose of funding the deficit of the fund part (including from issuance of the community securities) may not exceed 30 percent of the average annual amount of the incomes (without the amounts of official grants) actually received into the fund part of the budget of Yerevan for the second and third budget years preceding that year.
- 6. Where the budget of Yerevan is approved without a deficit, the state authorised body shall exercise only legal control over the budget process.
- 7. In case of a deficit of the budget of Yerevan, the Mayor shall, jointly with the state authorised body and in the manner prescribed by the latter, develop a programme for gradual redemption of the credit debts covering the budget deficit.
- 8. During the period of implementation of the programme, it shall be basis for making the budget. In this case, the state authorised body shall, besides the legal control, exercise constant control over the process of execution of the programme with regard to the implementation of the programme for redemption of the credit debt.
- 9. Expenditures of the administrative districts of Yerevan must be defined in separate sections of the budget of Yerevan.

(Article 72 supplemented by HO-195-N of 23 December 2013)

Article 73. Sources of generation of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The budget of Yerevan shall be generated from the sources of inflows into the budget of Yerevan stipulated by law and other legal acts, including the following:
 - (1) land tax for the land located in the administrative territory of Yerevan;
 - (2) property tax for the property located in the administrative territory of Yerevan;
 - (3) deductions from the income tax levied in the territory of Yerevan;
 - (4) deductions from the profit tax levied in the territory of Yerevan;
 - (5) deductions from environmental fees;
 - (6) penalties and fines charged from taxpayers for violations of the tax legislation, revealed in the field of payments made to the budget of Yerevan with regard to land tax and property tax.

Amounts of the deductions made to the budget of Yerevan from sums of income tax, profit tax and environmental fees shall be prescribed by the Law on the State Budget for each year;

- (7) state duty for issuance of certificates with regard to registering civil status acts by the state registration bodies of civil status acts, the duplicate certificates thereon to citizens, making amendments, supplements, corrections to the records of civil status acts and renewing them;
- (8) state duty for providing notary services by notary offices, providing copies of notary-certified documents, drawing up draft transactions and applications, making carbon copies of documents and issuing excerpts therefrom by the mentioned bodies;
- (9) local taxes, duties and fees;
- (10) lease payments charged for the right to lease or construction of the lands deemed to be the property of Yerevan, as well as lease payments charged

for the right to lease or construction of the state-owned lands located in the administrative territory of Yerevan, the management whereof is handed to the Mayor of Yerevan;

- (11) incomes generated from leasing of other property deemed to be the property of Yerevan;
- (12) incomes generated from sanctions applied by the Municipality for administrative offences;
- (13) deductions made by the decisions of the Yerevan Council of Elders from the profit at the disposal of the organisations deemed to be the property of the city of Yerevan;
- (14) payments being charged for the services provided by the Municipality and subject to set-off to the incomes of the budget of Yerevan;
- (15) incomes from alienation of property deemed to be the property of Yerevan, as well as ownerless property having, on the right of inheritance, been passed to Yerevan as ownership from natural and legal persons as a gift and not deemed to be fixed asset or intangible asset;
- (16) allocations provided from the State Budget for funding the expenditures from the budget of Yerevan for exercise of the powers delegated to the Mayor by the State;
- (17) ownerless monetary funds and those having, on the right of inheritance, been passed to Yerevan as ownership from natural and legal persons (except for local self-government bodies of the state, other communities of the republic, international organisations and foreign states) as a gift;
- (18) funds received from alienation of community-owned fixed assets, lands and intangible assets, including alienation of residual property of the community-owned liquidated organisations, as well as those received from sale of inventories kept in the community-owned reserves;

- (19) dotations provided from the State Budget on the principle of financial equalization;
- (20) other dotations provided from the State Budget and earmarkings for funding the expenses (subventions);
- (21) official grants received from other sources;
- (22) means attracted in the form of credits and loans; moreover, means received from placement of the bonds issued by the Municipality. The procedure for issuing and placing bonds by the Municipality shall be prescribed by the Government of the Republic of Armenia;
- (23) the clear balance as of the beginning of the year of funds of the budget of Yerevan, as well as inflows received in the year concerned from return of the budgetary loan provided from the budget of Yerevan in the (final) budget years preceding the year concerned;
- (24) means in the amount of 30 percent of the received inflows received from privatisation of the state participation in the statutory capital of the legal persons distributed in the administrative territory of Yerevan (except for the transactions carried out for the purpose of development of the infrastructures of the gas supply system in the natural gas sector before 31 January 2014), from privatisation and alienation of the state-owned real estate (except for the lands), including incomplete construction facilities, which shall be directed to the fund part of the budget of Yerevan for funding of citywide capital expenditures;
- (25) financial means generated within the scope of the PPP programme provided for by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On public-private partnership", where the PPP programme envisages generation of such financial means for Yerevan.

The mentioned financial means shall be transferred to the special account opened as prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.

The Yerevan Council of Elders may exclusively direct the means referred to in this point to funding of the programmes agreed with the Government of the Republic of Armenia, as prescribed by the Government of the Republic of Armenia.

(Article 73 amended by HO-260-N of 22 December 2010, supplemented by HO-195-N of 23 December 2013, HO-117-N of 28 June 2019)

Article 74. Administrative and fund parts of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The sources of the budget inflows attached to the administrative and fund parts of the budget of Yerevan shall be prescribed by the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia, and the directions of execution of the outflows from the relevant parts of the budget of Yerevan at the expense of these sources by this Law and the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia.
- Out of the administrative part of the budget of Yerevan, the current (in the sense defined by the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia) expenditures related to own powers, expenditures with regard to exercise of the powers delegated by the State and the deductions of means of the fund part, repayment of budgetary loans attracted for the purpose of funding the expenditures of the administrative part, as well as provision of budgetary loans shall be financed.
- 3. Out of the fund part of the budget of Yerevan, the capital (in the sense defined by the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia) expenditures related to own powers, repayment of credits attracted for the purpose of financing the expenditures of the fund part, as well as provision of budgetary loans shall be financed.

(Article 74 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 75. Reserve fund of the budget of Yerevan

- The budget of Yerevan has a reserve fund which may be used for additional financing of the expenditures not predicted or envisaged by the budget for the year concerned.
- 2. A reserve fund of the administrative part of the budget may be provided in the amount of 5-20 percent of the incomes of the administrative part of the budget.
- 3. A reserve fund may be formed in the fund part of the budget of Yerevan, which may not exceed 30 percent of the incomes of the fund part of the budget.

Financial means may be directed from the reserve fund of the administrative part of the budget of Yerevan to the fund part. Financial means of the fund part may not be transferred to the administrative part of the budget, except for cases of directing temporary free funds from the fund budget of the community to the administrative part of the budget, on the condition of returning them to the fund budget in the budget year concerned for financing the deficit gererated in the administrative budget in a certain period of the budget year, upon recommendation of the Council of Elders, the decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia and in a prescribed manner (moreover, the total sum of these means may not exceed one second of difference of the total annual sum approved with regard to incomes of the administrative part of the community budget for the year concerned and the total sum of the actual inflows of incomes of the administrative part of the community budget as of the 1st of the month of attracting means from the fund part).

4. Reserve funds may be used only by the decision of the Council of Elders. In case of failure to return, in full volume and by the end of the same budget year, to the fund part of the budget of Yerevan the temporary free means of the fund part for the purpose of financing the deficit gererated in the administrative budget in individual periods of the budget year, the Mayor shall, jointly with the state authorised body and as prescribed by the Government of the Republic of

Armenia, develop a programme on returning these sums to the fund part for one budget year. This shall be basis for making the budget of Yerevan during the programme implementation period. In this case, the state authorised body shall, besides the legal control, exercise constant control over the process of execution of the programme with regard to the implementation of the programme for returning the means of the fund part attracted for the purpose of financing the deficit generated in the administrative budget during individual periods of the budget year, not having been returned to the fund part of temporary free means.

Article 76. Clear balance as of the beginning of the year of the budget means of Yerevan

- Clear balance as of the beginning of the year of the budget means of Yerevan for
 the given year shall be excess of the inflows over the outflows made during
 implementation of the budget for the previous year, which may, by the decisions
 of the Yerevan Council of Elders, be used for additional financing of the outflows
 envisaged by the budget for the year concerned or financing of the unpredicted
 outflows.
- 2. The sum of the clear balance as of the beginning of the year of the administrative part of the budget of Yerevan shall be directed to the following:
 - (1) fulfilment of the existing obligations not financed but subject to financing from the administrative part of the budget in the previous (final) budget year;
 - (2) the balance of the means generated after fulfilment of the above-mentioned obligations shall be directed to the fund part of the budget of Yerevan for financing the outflows defined by the decision of the Council of Elders.

Article 77. Publication of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The budget of Yerevan shall be published as prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On legal acts".
- 2. Key indicators, directories and booklets containing statistical and graphical data shall be prepared and published in order to make the budget of Yerevan more accessible for the population of Yerevan.

Article 78. Implementation of the budget of Yerevan

- The Mayor shall, based on the budget of Yerevan, clarify the problems of staff of the Municipality, structural and separated subdivisions thereof and the organisations under the subordination of the city, approve the quarterly or monthly plans of their cash operations.
- 2. The Mayor shall, as prescribed by law, ensure implementation of the budget and control the financial operations to be performed accurately and in accordance with law.
- The process of acquiring goods, works and services by the organisations under the subordination of Yerevan shall be carried out as prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On procurement".

Article 79. Servicing the implementation of the budget of Yerevan

 Servicing the implementation of the budget of Yerevan shall, as prescribed by law and other legal acts, be carried out through the treasury subdivisions of the state authorised body for management of state finances (hereinafter referred to as "the treasury subdivisions"), where Yerevan shall have its individual budget account number.

- 2. The approved budget of Yerevan, as well as the changes made in the budget shall, within a one-week period, be submitted to the treasury subdivision serving the budget of Yerevan, which shall, upon the request of the community, be obliged to immediately allocate the appropriate financial means, where they are available in the budget account, are envisaged by the budget of Yerevan, and the request of the community on allocating financial means has been submitted to the treasury subdivision as prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.
- 3. Financial means provided, as a gift, to Yerevan by private persons for implementation of special programmes may, upon the request of these persons, agreement of the state authorised body and by the decision of the Council of Elders, be placed in any bank.
- 4. Treasury subdivisions shall submit to the Mayor daily information on the inflows and outflows of the budget of Yerevan.

Article 80. Ensuring of inflows of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. Entry to the budget of Yerevan of land tax, property tax, local taxes, duties and fees, lease payments of state-owned lands, lease payments for property deemed to be the property of Yerevan, share of the profit of the organisations with the participation of Yerevan, as well as sums received from alienation of the property of Yerevan and other mandatory payments shall be individually ensured by the relevant subdivisions of Yerevan. Other inflows into the budget of Yerevan shall be ensured as prescribed by the legislation.
- 2. According to the laws adopted by the National Assembly, reduction of the incomes and increase of the expenditures of Yerevan must be compensated by the State, except for cases of termination of tax liabilities in cases defined by law with regard to tax revenues (except for provision of tax benefits and tax abolition) and other cases prescribed by law.

Article 81. Supervision over the implementation of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The supervision over the implementation of the budget of Yerevan shall be conducted by the Council of Elders of Yerevan which is entitled to check every budget operation, efficiency and quality of implementation of works, request reports on the expenses made.
- For the purpose of efficient conduct of the supervision over the implementation
 of the budget of Yerevan, the Council of Elders shall be obliged to involve audit
 services in the prescribed manner, for which payment is made from the budget
 of Yerevan.
- 3. The State shall conduct the supervision over the implementation of the budget of Yerevan through the Audit Chamber and the Government of the Republic of Armenia within the scope of the powers vested therein by law.

(Article 81 amended by HO-67-N of 16 January 2018)

Article 82. Approval of the report on the implementation of the budget of Yerevan

- 1. The Mayor shall submit the annual report on the implementation of the budget of Yerevan to the Council of Elders by March 1 of the year following the reporting budget year.
- 2. The audit inspection body shall submit to the Council of Elders the results and conclusions of its studies on the annual report on the implementation of the budget submitted by the Mayor.
- 3. At the sitting of the Council of Elders, the Mayor shall answer the questions of the members of the Council of Elders and give the necessary explanations.
- 4. The Council of Elders shall conduct an independent audit of the annual report on the implementation of the budget, and in case of detecting violations of law, may apply to the relevant competent bodies.

- 5. After concluding the discussion, the Council of Elders shall render a decision on approving the report on the implementation of the budget.
- 6. The procedure for discussing the annual report on the implementation of the budget of Yerevan at the session of the Council of Elders shall be defined by the rules of procedure of the Council of Elders.
- 7. The annual report on the implementation of the budget of Yerevan, as well as the term of discussion and approval of that report by the Council of Elders of Yerevan shall be defined by the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia.
- 8. The issues related to the discussion and approval of the annual report on the implementation of the budget of Yerevan, not regulated by this Law shall be regulated by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the budget system of the Republic of Armenia".

Article 83. Development Programmes of Yerevan

- The Yerevan Development Programme is a document containing the socioeconomic situation of Yerevan, as well as the analysis and forecasts of the main directions of development, spatial planning and general development condition of infrastructures.
- 2. The Mayor shall draw up one-year, five-year, long-term and special development programmes of Yerevan and submit them to the Council of Elders. The PPP programmes envisaged by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On Public-Private Partnership" shall be deemed to be special programmes and may not be drawn up by the Mayor.
- 3. The Mayor shall submit a report on the implementation of the Programme to the Council of Elders.

- 4. Development programmes of Yerevan shall be subject to publication under the procedure defined by the Council of Elders.
- 5. Where circumstances hindering the implementation of the Development Programme of Yerevan emerge, the Mayor may initiate making amendments to the Development Programme of Yerevan.
- 6. Development programmes of administrative districts of Yerevan shall be defined in separate sections of the Development Programme of Yerevan.
- 7. When developing the draft annual budget, the Mayor shall take into consideration the vital interests of the population of Yerevan, development programmes of Yerevan, as well as the resources available.

(Article 83 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, supplemented by HO-117-N of 28 June 2019)

Article 84. Credits and loans of the budget of Yerevan

- By the decision of the Council of Elders of Yerevan, the Mayor may, with the
 consent of the authorised body for management of state finances, receive budget
 credits and loans to cover the budget expenditures (the consent of the Council of
 Elders of the community providing the loan shall also be required to receive a
 loan from the budget of another community).
- 2. By the decision of the Council of Elders, the Mayor may, with the consent of the authorised body for management of state finances, conclude an agreement on receiving a credit or issue community securities in accordance with point 22 of Article 73 of this Law, in order to make investments for the purpose of development of social infrastructures of the community. With the consent of the state authorised body, Yerevan may conclude a credit agreement on the condition that, in each budget year, the annual amount, that is the total amount

of the principal sum and interests, envisaged by the credit repayment programme, does not exceed 20 percent of the revenues of the fund part of the budget of Yerevan for the corresponding year. These credit means must be mandatorily forwarded to the fund part of the budget of Yerevan.

3. Only the revenues of the budget of Yerevan and the guarantees of the Government of the Republic of Armenia may be a pledge for a credit agreement. No credits and loans shall be provided (except for the cases of providing loans to the budgets of other communities in the manner prescribed by law) and no securities shall be purchased (except for the cases of purchase of shares of joint stock companies being created or created by Yerevan) from the budget of Yerevan.

Article 85. The charges levied for services provided by Yerevan

- The Council of Elders shall set fees for services provided by Yerevan to address
 the livelihood problems of the population of Yerevan, except for the cases when
 the tariffs for the services are approved by the Public Services Regulatory
 Commission.
- 2. The amounts levied for services shall be forwarded to the budget of Yerevan.

SECTION 2

ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS OF YEREVAN

CHAPTER 5

ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS OF YEREVAN

Article 86. Division of Yerevan into administrative districts

- 1. For the purpose of conducting efficient local self-governance and territorial governance in Yerevan, making the local self-government bodies of Yerevan more available for the population, the city of Yerevan shall be divided into 12 administrative districts (Ajapnyak, Avan, Arabkir, Davtashen, Erebuni, Kentron, Malatia-Sebastia, Nor Nork, Nork-Marash, Nubarashen, Shengavit, Kanaker-Zeytun).
- 2. Borders of administrative districts of Yerevan shall be defined by the Annex to this Law.

CHAPTER 6

HEAD OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Article 87. Requirements for the head of the administrative district

1. Anyone having attained the age of 25 and having the right to vote may be appointed as a head of the administrative district.

2. The position of the head of the administrative district shall be a community administrative position.

(Article 87 amended by HO-25-N of 21 January 2020)

Article 88. Incompatibility of the position of the head of the administrative district

 The head of the administrative district may not engage in entrepreneurial activities, hold another position in state or local self-government bodies or commercial organisations, perform paid work other than scientific, pedagogical and creative work.

Article 89. The procedure for appointment of the head of the administrative district and termination of powers thereof

- 1. The head of the administrative district shall be appointed and the powers thereof shall be terminated by the Mayor.
- 2. The Mayor shall forward the decisions on appointing the head of the administrative district and terminating the powers thereof to the heads of the factions of the Council of Elders.

Article 90. Remuneration of the head of the administrative district

 The position salary rate of the head of the administrative district, which may not exceed the 70 percent of the position salary rate of the Mayor, shall be defined by the Council of Elders.

Article 91. General characteristics of the powers of the head of the administrative district

- 1. The head of the administrative district shall:
 - (1) act on behalf of the Mayor. The Mayor shall be responsible for the activity of the head of the administrative district;
 - (2) draw up the Development Programme of the administrative district and submit it to the Mayor;
 - (3) submit to the Mayor the Statute of his or her staff;
 - (4) submit recommendations to the Mayor on the structure of his or her staff;
 - (5) submit recommendations to the Mayor on the number of employees, staff list and position salary rate of his or her staff;
 - (6) in the manner prescribed by law, appoint and dismiss deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district, secretary of the staff, heads of structural subdivisions;
 - (7) conclude contracts on transferring the property transferred to the control of the administrative district for rent;
 - (8) adopt decisions and executive orders within the scope of his or her competency;
 - (9) organise the collection of inflows out of the inflows into the budget of Yerevan entrusted to him or her;
 - (10) carry out other powers established by decisions of Council of Elders;
 - (11) in the cases provided for by law, act in the court as a representative of the Mayor, as well as issue, within the scope of his or her competence, powers of attorney to act in the court.

2. The procedure for activities of the head of the administrative district and the staff thereof shall be defined by the Council of Elders of Yerevan.

(Article 91 edited by HO-345-N of 8 December 2011, supplemented by HO-192-N of 25 March 2020)

Article 92. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of protection of the rights of residents and economic entities

- 1. In the field of protection of the rights of residents and economic entities, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) establish guardianship, curatorship, exercise other powers vested in the guardianship and curatorship bodies by law;
 - (2) hold reception of the residents of Yerevan, examine submitted petitions and applications in the manner prescribed by law;
 - (3) organise provision of copies and duplicates of documents from the archives of the administrative district or of the Municipality;
 - (4) organise the activities of relevant structures of the civil status acts registration service located in his or her administrative district;
 - (5) take measures to detect cases of non-registration of child births in his or her administrative district and to provide state registration of such births, give a written statement on state registration of a child birth in cases and in the manner prescribed by law.

(Article 92 supplemented by HO-124-N of 16 September 2010, amended by HO-17-N of 21 December 2017)

Article 93. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of finance

- 1. In the field of finance, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) take part in the formation of the draft budget of Yerevan as prescribed by the Council of Elders;
 - (2) dispose the funds allocated by the budget of Yerevan for the implementation of powers of the head of the administrative district, ensure the designated use thereof;
 - (3) sign the financial documents;
 - (4) organise the levy of lease payments for property deemed to be the property of Yerevan and transferred for the control thereby;
 - (5) apply, as prescribed by law, appropriate measures in relation to persons failing to pay the local taxes and payments prescribed by law.

Article 94. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of urban development and utilities

- 1. In the field of urban development and utilities, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) the powers in the field of urban development vested in the head of the community by Law of the Republic of Armenia "On urban development" and other laws and legal acts, which are not vested in the Mayor by this Law;
 - (2) he or she shall, as prescribed, carry out supervision over the intended use and maintenance of the buildings and constructions, fulfilment of the requirements prescribed by the architectural and plan tasks given to the developers and the urban development charter;

- (3) carry out record-registration of buildings and constructions deemed to be the property of Yerevan and transferred for the control thereby, draw up the annual property inventory documents;
- (4) give permission, as prescribed by law, on posting external advertisement in territories not deemed an advertising zone maintained by the city;
- (5) he or she shall organise the activities of utilities of the administrative district not vested in the Mayor, ensure maintenance and exploitation of residential houses and non-residential premises, hostels, administrative buildings and other constructions under his or her control that are deemed to be property of Yerevan, organise renovation thereof;
- (6) organise the landscaping and planting of streets, squares, settlements not maintained by the city;
- (7) in cases provided for by law and in the manner prescribed by law, prepare founding meetings of condominiums and support their holding, as well as the formation of other bodies for the management of multi-apartment buildings defined by law. He or she shall ensure the participation of the administrative district in the servicing activities of such buildings in accordance with the number of apartments deemed to be the property thereof.
- (7.1) he or she shall for the purposes of registration of construction completion of multi-apartment buildings having no registration of construction completion, the subdivided units whereof are registered by individual certificates as incomplete premises, the completion whereof is below 100 percent assist in the process of selection of appropriate organisation by owners for implementing the functions of the developer or shall confer the implementation of the functions of the developer upon any management body of a multi-apartment building operating in the

Community, that implements functions of the developer at the expenses of the owners of separated units;

- (8) he or she shall organise the maintenance of multi-apartment buildings which are not managed by the condominiums or the management body of the multi-apartment building prescribed by law;
- (9) supervise the implementation of mandatory landscaping by the property owner or the possessor.

(Article 94 supplemented by HO-93-N of 19 June 2015)

Article 95. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of land use

- 1. In the field of land use, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) in accordance with the General Plan of Yerevan, the projects of zoning of the administrative district or the separate sections thereof, zoning of lands and the schemes of use thereof, alienate or allocate for use, under the established procedure, the land parcels transferred for the control by the administrative district. The land parcels envisaged by this point may not be provided for the control by the administrative district if there is no approved project of zoning for that territory yet;
 - (2) he or she shall, as prescribed by law, carry out supervision over the intended use of lands within the borders of the administrative district and fulfilment of the requirements of the land legislation by land users;
 - (3) he or she shall, in the cases and in the manners prescribed by law, suspend and eliminate the illegal land use;
 - (4) he or she shall carry out activities of improvement of land parcels transferred to the control by the administrative district.

Article 96. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of trade and service

- 1. In the field of trade and service, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - in accordance with the community rules of trade, give permission for sale
 of intoxicating and alcoholic drinks and/or tobacco products within the
 territory of the administrative district;
 - (2) in accordance with the citywide rules of service activity, give permission to the baths, saunas, entertainment facilities to work after 24:00 within the territory of the administrative district;
 - (3) in accordance with the community rules of public catering, give permission for organising and selling of public catering within the territory of the administrative district.

(Article 96 supplemented by HO-226-N of 6 December 2012, amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 97. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of education and culture

- 1. In the field of education and culture, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) organise the activities of schools, kindergartens, clubs, houses of culture, libraries, other educational and cultural organisations within the territory of the administrative district, as well as exploitation and renovation works thereof;
 - (2) may organise events related to the holidays and days of remembrance.

Article 98. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the fields of healthcare, physical training and sport

- 1. In the fields of healthcare, physical training and sport, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) organise the activities of healthcare and sports institutions and organisations under the subordination of Yerevan within the territory of the administrative district.

Article 99. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of labour and social protection

- 1. In the field of labour and social protection, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) (point repealed by HO-99-N of 4 March 2020)
 - (2) assist in solving the problems related to the record-registration of the unemployed and the employment of the population;
 - (3) (point repealed by HO-99-N of 4 March 2020)

(Article 99 supplemented, amended by HO-233-N of 17 December 2014, amended by HO-99-N of 4 March 2020)

Article 100. Powers of the head of the administrative district in the field of agriculture

- 1. In the field of agriculture, the head of the administrative district shall exercise the following powers:
 - (1) give permission to keep domestic farm livestock within the territory of the administrative district as prescribed by the Council of Elders and conduct the annual record-registration thereof.

Article 101. Staff of the head of the administrative district

 The head of the administrative district shall carry out his or her powers through his or her staff, as well as organisations under the subordination of the city and non-commercial organisations.

Employees of the staff of the administrative district, except for the deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district, persons providing technical maintenance, shall be community servants.

The staff of the head of the administrative district shall be a separated subdivision of the staff of the Municipality.

- 2. The staff of the head of the administrative district shall consist of the deputy head of the administrative district (in the administrative district with 50,000 or more inhabitants, the head of the administrative district may have two deputies), the secretary of the staff, heads of departments, as well as other employees envisaged by the staff list.
- 3. After the appointment of a new head of the administrative district, the deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district shall resign.
- 4. The secretary of the staff of the head of the administrative district, heads of departments and other employees shall exercise the powers vested therein by the Statute of the staff of the head of the administrative district, the law and other legal acts.

Article 102. Deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district

1. Deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district shall exercise the powers vested in him or her (them) by the Statute of the staff of the head of the administrative district.

2. During the absence of the head of the administrative district, the deputy head (one of the deputy heads), on the instructions of the head of the administrative district, shall exercise the powers of the head of the administrative district.

In case of impossibility to appoint an acting head of the administrative district, the Mayor shall appoint an acting head of the administrative district.

- 3. The position of the deputy head (deputy heads) of the administrative district shall be a community administrative position.
- 4. The deputy head of the administrative district shall be the head (commander) of the militia brigade-equivalent of the administrative district. The management of the militia brigade-equivalent of the administrative district by the deputy head of the administrative district shall be carried out in accordance with the training and application plans of the militia.

(Article 102 supplemented by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017, amended by HO-25-N of 21 January 2020, supplemented by HO-469-N of 28 October 2020)

Article 103. Secretary of the staff of the head of the administrative district

- 1. The secretary of the staff of the head of the administrative district shall exercise the powers vested in him or her by law, other legal acts and the Statute of staff of the head of the administrative district, in particular:
 - (1) records management, correspondence and archives of the staff;
 - (2) organisation of preparing draft decisions and executive orders of the head of the administrative district;
 - (3) publishing the decisions of the head of the administrative district;
 - (4) organisation of reception of residents of Yerevan by the head of the administrative district, control over the discussion of their petitions, applications and complaints, and over proceeding therewith;

(5) supervision over the implementation of the decisions of the head of the administrative district, as well as the maintenance of the work discipline of the staff of the head of the administrative district.

(Article 103 amended by HO-17-N of 21 December 2017)

CHAPTER 7

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL

Article 104. Objectives of administrative control

1. Objectives of administrative control shall be the protection of the right to local self-government and the proper exercise of the powers of local self-government bodies.

Article 105. Bodies of legal and professional control

- Legal control over the powers of the Mayor and the Council of Elders shall be carried out by the highest body of legal control, that is, the state authorised body in the field of territorial administration of the Republic of Armenia.
- 2. The highest body carrying out legal control over the normative legal acts of the Council of Elders and the Mayor shall be the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia.
- 3. Professional control over each power delegated to the Mayor shall be carried out by the relevant highest body of professional control, that is, the state body, within the competence whereof the given power delegated to the local selfgovernment bodies by the state is included. If this power is not included in the

competence of any state body, the highest body of professional control in terms of that power shall be the state authorised body in the field of territorial administration of the Republic of Armenia.

- 4. In Yerevan, the highest bodies of professional control may carry out professional control in exceptional cases, after receiving the consent of the state authorised body in the field of territorial administration of the Republic of Armenia.
- 5. Financial control shall be conducted over the budgetary or financial-economic activities being carried out by the Council of Elders and the Mayor, in the cases and as prescribed by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the budget system of the Republic of Armenia".
- 6. The measures taken by the bodies carrying out administrative control shall be defined by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On local self-government".

(Article 105 amended by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

Article 106. Preventive measures of administrative control

- The body of legal control shall be obliged to give official clarifications to the local self-government bodies of Yerevan upon their request in the manner prescribed by Article 87 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On legal acts".
- 2. The body carrying out legal and professional control, in case sufficient grounds exist, shall be entitled under certain case to get acquainted with all the documents available at the Council of Elders and the Mayor (the Municipality) related thereto. He or she can visit the local self-government bodies, check the lawfulness of their actions and omission, as well as request reports and documents related thereto (the right to obtain information).
- 3. The consents envisaged by this Law shall be given by the body of legal control unless otherwise envisaged by the law.

Article 107. Appealing against the measures of legal control

1. The Mayor may appeal against the decisions, actions or omission of bodies carrying out legal control through judicial procedure.

SECTION 3

TRANSITIONAL, FINAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER 8

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Article 108. The implementation of powers of heads of quarter municipalities and the Council of Elders of Yerevan after entry into force of this Law

- After entry into force of this Law, the Councils of Elders and heads of quarter municipalities of Yerevan shall continue the implementation of their powers until the assumption of powers by the Council of Elders.
- 2. Where after entry into force of this Law the powers of the Council of Elders or the heads of the municipal areas of Yerevan expire, or the powers are early terminated respectively during 4 months preceding the elections of the Council of Elders of Yerevan, no new elections of the Council of Elders and the heads of the quarter municipalities shall be held; the powers of respective Councils of Elders and the heads of quarter municipalities shall be extended until the date of assumption of powers by the Council of Elders.

- 3. After the elections of the Council of Elders the quarter municipalities of Yerevan shall be deemed to be reorganised as Yerevan community.
- 4. Prior to the definition of the symbols of Yerevan by the Council of Elders, the current symbols valid at the time of entry into force of this Law shall be used.
- The Government shall establish the procedure for the first oath ceremony of the Mayor.

(Article 108 supplemented by HO-124-N of 19 May 2009)

Article 109. The day of holding the first election of the Council of Elders

1. The day of holding the first election of the Council of Elders of Yerevan shall be defined by the decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, which can be held not earlier than April 1 and not later than 6 December 2009.

The day of the elections shall be set not later than 3 months before that.

Article 110. The property transferred to Yerevan and financing of Yerevan

- 1. After the election of the Council of Elders, the property considered to be the property of the quarter municipalities of Yerevan at that moment shall transferred to Yerevan by the right of ownership. Yerevan shall be deemed to be the legal successor of quarter municipalities of the city of Yerevan.
- 2. Prior to the first election of the Council of Elders of Yerevan, the Government of the Republic of Armenia shall establish the list of necessary property being transferred to Yerevan by the right of ownership, including the residence of the Council of Elders and the Mayor of Yerevan.

- 3. The directions of financing the current expenditures (within the meaning defined by the budget legislation of the Republic of Armenia) for the Municipality defined by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the State Budget of the Republic of Armenia for 2009", which by this Law refer to the obligatory and delegated powers vested in the Mayor, shall also be envisaged in the draft state budget for each year of the period of 2010-2013, with the existence of a budget financing application submitted by the Municipality for the respective year in the manner prescribed. Moreover, the extents of these expenditures shall be determined by the methodologies used for budget planning of similar expenditures of the state budget for the given year.
- 4. During the rest time period of 2009 after the day of assumption of powers by the first newly elected Mayor, the Municipality shall continue to implement the powers vested by the budget legislation in the Municipality as a public administration body implementing programmes envisaged by the state budget, in accordance with departmental classification of budget expenditures approved by the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the State Budget of the Republic of Armenia for 2009".

Article 111. Making appointments to community service positions after the approval of the lists of community service positions of the staff of the Municipality and the staffs of the heads of the administrative districts of Yerevan

1. Within one month after the approval, in a prescribed manner, of the lists of community service positions of the staff of the Municipality and the staffs of heads of administrative districts of Yerevan, only persons having held the positions provided for by the list of civil service positions of the staff of the State Administrative Institution "Municipality Staff" shall be appointed, without a competition, to the positions in the staff of the Municipality envisaged thereby,

and the persons having held the positions provided for by the list of community service positions of the staffs of heads of respective quarter municipalities shall be appointed in the staffs of heads of administrative districts of Yerevan, taking into consideration the requirements of Articles 10, 11, 12, part 3 of Article 24 and Article 34 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On Community Service".

2. The positions of the community service left vacant after appointments as prescribed by this Article shall be filled through a competition.

CHAPTER 9

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 112. The rules of procedure for holding the session of the first Council of Elders of Yerevan

1. The rules of procedure for holding the first session of the first Council of Elders of Yerevan shall be defined by the Government of the Republic of Armenia.

Article 113. Entry into force of the Law

1. Part 1 of Article 29 and Articles 108-110 of this Law shall enter into force on the tenth day following the day of its official promulgation, and the remaining articles shall enter into force on the following Monday after the official promulgation of the decision on the election of members of the Council of Elders of Yerevan based on the results of the first elections of the Council of Elders of Yerevan.

2. (part repealed by HO-137-N of 4 October 2017)

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Annex

to the Law of the Republic of Armenia on "Local Self-Government in the City of Yerevan"

DESCRIPTION OF BORDERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS IN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY OF YEREVAN

5.1. AJAPNYAK ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Ajapnyak Administrative District has common borders with Arabkir, Davtashen, Kentron, Malatia-Sebastia Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Armavir, Aragatsotn and Kotayk Marzes.

The borderline is divided into five sections by its direction.

- 5.1.1. The western section coincides with the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Armavir (from point (hereinafter referred to as "p.") No 120 to D p. No 123) and Aragatsotn (from D p. No 123 to A p. No 1) Marzes.
- 5.1.2. The northern section coincides with the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Kotayk (from A p. No 1 to p. No 7) Marz.
- 5.1.3. The borderline continues from p. No 7 along the south-western edge of Ashtarak Highway (Gevorg Chaush Street) to the northern corner of Yerevan Physics Institute (Halabyan Street), passes along the northern borders of the development of "Narek" residential area and the premises of the Republican Hospital. From there, the borderline continues along the southern edge of the road leading to Davtashen and Zovuni to the road junction of Davtashen Bridge and the road leading Zovuni, turns to the south-east, continues along the south-western edge of Davtashen Bridge to the right bank of Hrazdan River.

This part of the borderline is adjacent to Davtashen Administrative District.

5.1.4. The south-eastern section starts from the intersection of Davtashen Bridge and Hrazdan River, continues along the right bank of Hrazdan River to Hrazdan Bridge (this part is adjacent to Arabkir Administrative District).

The borderline turns along the south-eastern edge of the bridge to the right edge of Hrazdan Canyon and continues along the south-western edge of Leningradyan Street to the road leading to Hrazdan Stadium. This part of the borderline is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District.

5.1.5. The southern section is adjacent to Malatia-Sebastia Administrative District.

This section of the borderline starts from the intersection of Leningradyan Street and the road leading to Hrazdan Stadium and continues to the west along the southern edge of Leningradyan Street to Sebastia Street. Turning to the south, it passes along the eastern edge of Sebastia Street, turns to the west from House No 29, intersects Sebastia Street (House No 22) and continues along Sargsyan Street and the northern edge of the development to the northern edge of the factory of "Masis" industrial union. Then it turns to the south, continues to the intersection of Tichina and Gusan Sheram Streets.

From there, the borderline continues along the southern side of the road leading to "Spandaryan" Industrial Hub, passes along the northern edge of the territory of "Shahumyan-2" power substation to the intersection of the Masis-Nurnus Railway Line and the road leading to the "Spandaryan" Industrial Hub. From there, it continues along the northern edge of Nerkin Zangu Canal to the external borderline, that is, p. No 120.

5.2. AVAN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Avan Administrative District has common borders with Arabkir, Nor Nork and Kanaker Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Kotayk Marz.

The borderline is divided into three sections by its direction.

5.2.1. The north-western section starts from Myasnikyan Avenue (300 m to the south of Myasnikyan Avenue and Gai Street road junction), continues to the north, intersects Rubinyan Street and passes the western edge of the territory of the Botanical Garden and the eastern edge of Yerevan-Sevan Railway zone to the intersection with Tbilisi Highway. This section of the borderline is adjacent to the borderline of Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative Districts.

From there, the borderline continues along the south-eastern edge of the railway to the intersection with the external borderline of the city at p. No 29.

- 5.2.2. The north-eastern section is adjacent to Kotayk Marz from p. No 29 to p. No 40.
- 5.2.3. The south-eastern section starts from p. No 40 of the external borderline. From there, the borderline turns through Garni Highway to the west, continues to the intersection of Totovents Street and Garni Highway. Then it continues along the south-western edge of the Cemetery of Avan to the 9th Street of Avan, passes that street to the south-west, passes Gai Street and continues along the south-western edge of Myasnikyan Avenue and Gai Street road junction to Myasnikyan Avenue.

5.3. ARABKIR ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Arabkir Administrative District has common borders with Ajapnyak, Avan, Davtashen, Kentron and Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Kotayk Marz.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

- 5.3.1. The north-western section starts from the intersection of Hrazdan Bridge and Hrazdan River along the right bank, upstream, and continues to p. No 23. This part of the borderline section is adjacent to Ajapnyak and Davtashen Administrative Districts.
- 5.3.2. The north-western section coincides with the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Kotayk Marz from p. No 23 to p. No 29.
- 5.3.3. The north-eastern section starts from p. No 29, located on the right edge of Yerevan-Sevan Railway zone (100 m from the south-western edge of the territory of the Geological Institute). From there, the borderline continues along the south-eastern edge of the railway line to Tbilisi Highway.

This part of the borderline section is adjacent to the borderline of Avan Administrative District.

The borderline continues along the south-eastern edge of Tbilisi Highway to the south-west, to the entrance of the Victory Park. This part of the borderline is adjacent to Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative District.

5.3.4. The southern section is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District.

The borderline starts from the entrance of the Victory Park, intersects Azatutyan Avenue, passes the 50th anniversary monument in the northern part and, intersecting the railway line on the western edge, continues along the south-western edge of the right-of-way area of the railway to Ortotc Gorge and along the development edges in the southern direction along Ortotc Gorge (leaving the factory "Ferit" and the

American University in Kentron Administrative District) passes along the north-western edge of the stairs leading to the American University and intersects Marshal Baghramyan Avenue. From there, the borderline continues along the western edge of Proshyan Street to the south — to the northern fence of the government summer houses and, turning to the north-west goes down to the eastern border of the territory of Yerevan HPP in Hrazdan Canyon. From there, the borderline continues along the abutment of the right bank of Hrazdan River (upstream) to the small bridge near Hrazdan Bridge.

5.4. DAVTASHEN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Davtashen Administrative District has common borders with Ajapnyak and Arabkir Administrative Districts.

With an external borderline it is adjacent to Kotayk Marz.

The borderline is divided into three sections by its direction.

- 5.4.1. The northern section completely coincides with the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Kotayk Marz from p. No 7 to p. No 23.
- 5.4.2. The south-eastern section starts from p. No 23 of the external borderline of Yerevan and along the right bank of Hrazdan River, downstream, goes down to the Davtashen Bridge. This part of the borderline is adjacent to Arabkir Administrative District.
- 5.4.3. It goes up along the south-western edge of Davtashen Bridge to the right-side edge of Hrazdan Canyon and continues to the road junction of the road leading to Zovuni and the bridge, and then it turns to the west, continues along the southern edge of the road to Halabyan Street (the northern corner of Yerevan Physics Institute). From there, it continues along the northern edge of the territory of the Republican Hospital and the development of "Narek" residential

area. Intersecting Shiraz Street, the borderline continues along the south-western edge of Gevorg Chaush Street (Ashtarak Highway) to the intersection with Nerkin Zangu Canal, that is, p. No 7. This part of the borderline is adjacent to Ajapnyak Administrative District.

5.5. EREBUNI ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Erebuni Administrative District has common borders with Kentron, Nork-Marash, Nor Nork, Shengavit and Nubarashen Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Kotayk and Ararat Marzes.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

5.5.1. The northern section starts from the point of intersection of Kristapor and Sevan Streets, continues to the east. It intersects Tigran Mets and Movses Khorenatsi Streets along the northern edge of the right-of-way area of Yerevan-Sevan Railway and along the northern edge of the railway line reaches House No 113 of the 1st Lane of Charents Street (this part of the borderline is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District).

Turning to the south from there, it continues to Davit-Bek Street along the eastern and northern edges of the development of Sari Administrative District. Turning to the north, along the western edge of Davit-Bek Street, it continues to the southern fence of the TV centre area, and turning to the east, it continues along the northern edge of the same street to the Nork Canal (this part of the borderline is adjacent to Nork-Marash Administrative District). Then, it passes along the north side of the canal to the southern edge of the high-voltage power line, and from here, in parallel to the power line zone, continues to the intersection with the road leading to the new gypsum plaster plant, then continues along the southern edge of the road to the southern edge of the plot of land of the new gypsum plaster plant.

This section of the borderline is adjacent to Nor Nork Administrative District.

- 5.5.2. The eastern section coincides with the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Kotayk (from p. No 53 to B p. No 61) and Ararat (from B p. No 61 to p. No 63) Marzes.
- 5.5.3. The southern section is adjacent to Nubarashen Administrative District.

This section of the borderline starts from p. No 63, continues along the north-western edge of Nubarashen Plateau to the gas pipeline entering the city of Yerevan. Then, turning to the north-west, it continues along the edge of the gas pipeline, intersects the bypass road, and along the north-western border of the road and the northern border of the plot of land of Nubarashen pig-breeding farm continues to the eastern edge of the plot of land of the horticultural company near Nor Kharberd.

5.5.4. The western part starts from the eastern corner of the northern border of the plot of land of horticultural company of Nor Kharberd, continues to the west to the northern edge of the plot of land of Foot-and-Mouth Disease Scientific Research Institute, turns to the north, passes along the southern edge of the territory of the Experimental Plant "Pure Iron", along Artsakh Street continues to Arin-Berd Street. Then, it passes along Arin-Berd Street to the west — to the western edge of the railway freight station facilities and continues to the north — to the intersection of Kristapor and Sevan Streets. This section is completely adjacent to Shengavit Administrative District.

5.6. KENTRON ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Kentron Administrative District has common borders with Ajapnyak, Arabkir, Erebuni, Malatia-Sebastia, Nor Nork, Nork-Marash, Shengavit and Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative Districts.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

5.6.1. The northern section starts from the junction of Leningradyan Street and Hrazdan Bridge, passes along the south-eastern edge of the bridge, intersects the Hrazdan Canyon (along the small bridge over Hrazdan River) and continues along the abutment of the left bank of Hrazdan River to the eastern border of the former Yerevan HPP.

Then it continues along the north-western wall of the government summer house to Proshyan Street.

It passes in a straight line to Marshall Baghramyan Avenue from the bridge on the north-western side of that street, intersects it, bypasses the north-western edge of the stairs leading to the American University (including the American University), continues along the edge of development of Ortotc Gorge (including the "Ferit" factory) to Yerevan-Sevan Railway Line. The borderline continues along the southern edge of the railway, includes the 50th anniversary monument, passes through the southern part of the entrance of the Victory Park, continues along the northern edge of Yerevan-Sevan Railway to the east — to the Kentron' (northern) drinking water daily regulation reservoir, including the development of northern and southern slopes of Avan Canyon to the entrance of the Zoo and continues along the lower part of Nork slope to the railway overpass of Avan Canyon.

5.6.2. The eastern section starts from the railway overpass of Avan Canyon, continues along the eastern edge of the railway to the road going down the mountain slope in front of the swimming pool of the Republican Stadium (House No 113, 1st lane of Charents Street), including the developments of the forest zone adjacent to the south-eastern section of Aygestan.

From there, the borderline continues along the western edge of the railway zone to Tigran Mets Street (the railway overpass) intersecting Movses Khorenatsi Street.

5.6.3. The southern section starts from the intersection of Tigran Mets Avenue and the railway overpass (from the north side), continues to the west along

Kristapor Street (along the edge of the northern fence of the Machine-Tool Factory), intersects Arshakunyats Avenue, continues along the edge of the electric substation and Artashat Canal to the weir of Artashat Canal and along the southern edge of the weir goes down to the right bank of Hrazdan River.

From there, the borderline continues along the right bank of Hrazdan River (downstream), and along the edge of the canyon to the intersection of the old highway of Vagharshapat and Admiral Isakov Avenue (the 30th anniversary monument).

5.6.4. The western section starts from the 30th anniversary monument, continues along the south-eastern edge of Admiral Isakov Avenue about 350 m to the northeast, turns at a right angle to the northwest, intersects Admiral Isakov Avenue, passes along the south-western and northern edges of the territories of "Hayhastots" and the Solar Energy Research Institute, runs along the western borderline of Dalma Gardens to Leningradyan Street and, turning to the northeast, continues to Hrazdan Bridge.

5.7. MALATIA-SEBASTIA ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Malatia-Sebastia Administrative District has common borders with Ajapnyak, Kentron and Shengavit Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Ararat and Armavir Marzes.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

The territory of the administrative district also includes the plots of land of Yerevan "Zvartnots" Airport and adjacent facilities ("Terminal"), as well as the road section leading from Yerevan to "Zvartnots" Airport (the carriageways of the roads of Vagharshapat Highway and the airport).

5.7.1. The northern section starts from p. No 120, continues along the northern edge of Nerkin Zangu Canal, upstream, to the intersection of Masis-Nurnus Railway Line and the road leading to the "Spandaryan" Industrial Hub. Then, it continues in the eastern direction along the road leading to "Spandaryan" Industrial Hub, along the northern side of the territory of "Shahumyan-2" power substation to the intersection of Tichina and Gusan Sheram Streets. Turning to the north, it bypasses the shoe factory of "Masis" industrial union and continues along the northern edge of the existing development, through Sargsyan Street to Sebastia Street. Intersecting Sebastia Street near houses No 22 and No 29, the borderline turns to the north. It continues along Sebastia Street to Leningradyan Street and passes along the southern edge of that street to the north-eastern corner of Dalma Gardens, to the edge of the road leading to Hrazdan Stadium.

This section of the borderline is adjacent to Ajapnyak Administrative District.

5.7.2. The eastern section starts from the intersection of Leningradyan Street and the road leading to Hrazdan Stadium, continues to the south along the western edge of the road (borderline of the gardens), bypasses the territory of the Solar Energy Scientific Research Institute on the northern and western edges,

continues along the western side of the territory of "Hayhastots" Scientific Research Institute, intersecting Admiral Isakov Avenue turns to the southwest and continues along the south-western edge of Admiral Isakov Avenue to the 30th anniversary monument.

This section of the borderline is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District.

5.7.3. The south-eastern section starts from the 30th anniversary monument and continues along the south-eastern edge of Admiral Isakov Avenue, intersects the highway along the southern part of the road junction of Sebastia Street and Admiral Isakov Avenue, continues along the south-western edge of the Dam of Yerevan Lake to the right bank of Hrazdan River. From there, the borderline continues along the right bank of Hrazdan River to p. No 105 of the external borderline.

This section of the borderline is adjacent to Shengavit Administrative District.

5.7.4. The western section coincides with the external borderline of the city, which is adjacent to Ararat (from p. No 105 to G p. No 107) and Armavir (from G p. No 107 to p. No 120) Marzes.

5.8. NOR NORK ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Nor Nork Administrative District has common borders with Avan, Erebuni, Kentron, Nork-Marash and Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Kotayk Marz.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

5.8.1. The western section starts from the intersection of Davit-Bek Street and Nork Canal and continues to the north along the western edge of the high voltage power lines to the north-eastern side of the old Cemetery of Nork, then it continues going down to Avan Canyon up to Myasnikyan Avenue, which is located at 100 m south-west from the entrance of the Zoo.

This section is adjacent to Nork-Marash Administrative District.

- 5.8.2. The northern section starts from the above-mentioned point, continues along the south-eastern edge of Myasnikyan Avenue, intersects Gai Street in the south-eastern part of the road junction, and joins the 9th Street of Avan, intersects Totovents Street along the south-western edge of the Cemetery of Avan and joins Garni Highway, that is, p. No 40. This section of the borderline is adjacent to Avan, Kentron and Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative Districts.
- 5.8.3. The eastern section coincides with the first borderline of the city which is adjacent to Kotayk Marz from p. No 40 to p. No 53. This section includes "Basalt" and Radio-Electronic Industrial Complexes, as well as "Mayak" residential area. The borderline passes the western border of Jrvezh village and continues to the new gypsum plaster plant.
- 5.8.4. Along the southern section, the borderline continues through the road leading to the new gypsum plaster plant to the south-west until intersecting with the high-voltage power lines, then continues in parallel to the high-voltage power lines zone up to Nork Canal, passes the southern edge of Nork Canal to the intersection with Davit-Bek Street.

This section of the borderline is adjacent to Erebuni Administrative District.

5.9. NORK-MARASH ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Nork-Marash Administrative District has common borders with Erebuni, Kentron and Nor Nork Administrative Districts.

The borderline is divided into three sections by its direction.

- 5.9.1. The western section adjacent to Kentron Administrative District starts from House No 113 on the 1st Lane of Charents Street and continues to the north, along the border of the existing arbitrary development and forest zone to the edge of Yerevan-Sevan Railway adjacent to Aygestan Administrative District, passes along the eastern edge of the railway up to the railway line overpass, then runs along the lower edge of slope of Nork, along the southern slope of Avan Canyon to the entrance of the Zoo (100 m south from the entrance, to the south-western edge of Myasnikyan Avenue).
- 5.9.2. The eastern section is adjacent to the borderline of Nor Nork Administrative District and continues to the south, ascends to the upper edge of the southern slope of Avan Canyon, passes through the north-eastern part of the old cemetery of Nork, along the western edge of the high voltage power line to the northern edge of Davit-Bek Street.
- 5.9.3. The southern section is adjacent to Erebuni Administrative District.

This section of the borderline starts from the northern edge of Davit-Bek Street (the intersection of Davit-Bek Street and Nork Canal) and continues to the plot of land of the TV station, then, turning to the south, passes along the western edge of Davit-Bek Street, runs along the northern and eastern edges of the development of Sari Administrative District to House No 113 on the 1st Lane of Charents Street.

5.10. NUBARASHEN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Nubarashen Administrative District has common borders with Erebuni and Shengavit Administrative Districts.

With an external borderline it is adjacent to Ararat Marz.

The border of Nubarashen Administrative District coincides with the external border of the city from p. No 62 to p. No 80 and is adjacent to Ararat Marz. From p. No 80 of the external border of the city, the borderline continues along the south-eastern edge of the plot of land of the Horticultural Company of Nor Kharberd to the north-western corner of the territory of Nubarashen pig-breeding farm. This section of the border is adjacent to Shengavit Administrative District. From this point, the borderline continues to the east (along the northern edge of the pig-breeding farm) up to the northern edge of the road junction of Yerevan-Nubarashen Highway and the bypass road. From there, the borderline continues along the north-western edge of the bypass road up to the gas pipeline.

The borderline, turning south from this point, intersects the bypass road, continues along the edge of the gas pipeline (300 m from the south-eastern edge of the road) to the north-western edge of Nubarashen Plateau. Turning from there to the north-east, it continues along the north-western edge of Nubarashen Plateau to p. No 62 of the external borderline. This section of the borderline is adjacent to Erebuni Administrative District.

5.11. SHENGAVIT ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Shengavit Administrative District has common borders with Erebuni, Kentron, Malatia-Sebastia and Nubarashen Administrative Districts. With an external borderline it is adjacent to Ararat Marz.

The borderline is divided into four sections by its direction.

5.11.1. The north-western section is adjacent to Malatia-Sebastia Administrative District.

It starts from p. No 105 (the eastern edge of Argavand village), continues along the right bank of Hrazdan River (upstream) to the south-western edge of the Dam of Yerevan Lake. Turning to the south-west, along the south-western edge of the highway, it continues to the beginning of the road junction of Admiral Isakov and Sebastia Streets (southern part of the junction), turns to the north-east, and intersecting the highway, continues up to the 30th anniversary monument along the south-eastern edge of Admiral Isakov Avenue.

5.11.2. The northern section is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District.

The northern section starts from the intersection of Vagharshapat Highway and Admiral Isakov Avenue (the 30th anniversary monument), continues to the east along the right edge of Hrazdan Canyon up to the intersection of the weir of Artashat Canal and Hrazdan River. Then it continues along the edge of the weir to Arshakunyats Avenue, intersects it, continues along Kristapor Street (former Gorky Street) to the intersection of the latter with Sevan Street.

5.11.3. The eastern section is adjacent to Erebuni and Nubarashen Administrative Districts.

This section of the borderline starts from the intersection of Kristapor and Sevan Streets, continues along Sevan Street — the western edge of the metro route, passes under the railroad line of Rostovyan Street, and continues along the western edge of the territory of the railway freight station facilities up to Arin-Berd Street. The borderline turns to the east along Arin-Berd Street up to Artsakh Street, then, turning to the south, continues along Artsakh Street to the southern edge of the territory of the Experimental Plant "Pure Iron". Through the area between the land parcels of this plant and Yerevan HPP, it continues to the south-east, bypasses the territory of Footand-Mouth Disease Scientific Research Institute, and continues on the northern side

up to the eastern border of the territory of the Horticultural Company of Nor Kharberd.

The above-mentioned part of the borderline is adjacent to Erebuni Administrative District. Turning to the south-west, the borderline continues along the south-western edge of the land parcel of the horticultural company up to the external borderline of the city, that is, p. No 80. This part of the borderline is adjacent to Nubarashen Administrative District.

5.11.4. The south-western section is adjacent to the external borderline of the city which is adjacent to Ararat Marz — from p. No 80 to p. No 105.

5.12. KANAKER-ZEYTUN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

Kanaker-Zeytun Administrative District has common borders with Avan, Arabkir, Kentron and Nor Nork Administrative Districts.

The borderline is divided into three sections by its direction.

- 5.12.1. The north-western section starts from the entrance of the Victory Park, continues along the south-eastern edge of Azatutyan Avenue to the northeast and along Tbilisi Highway up to the intersection with Yerevan-Sevan Railway, then to the road junction of Tbilisi Highway and Acharyan Street. This section of the borderline is adjacent to Arabkir Administrative District.
- 5.12.2.The eastern section starts from the intersection of Tbilisi Highway and Yerevan-Sevan Railway, continues along the south-eastern edge of the right-of-way area of the railway, along the western edge of the territory of the Botanical Garden, and intersecting Rubinyants Street reaches Myasnikyan Street. This section of the border is adjacent to Avan Administrative District. From there, the borderline continues along the north-western edge of Myasnikyan Avenue to the entrance of the Zoo. This section is adjacent to Nor Nork Administrative District.

5.12.3. The southern section is adjacent to Kentron Administrative District.

It starts from the entrance of the Zoo, continues along the northern edge of the development of the northern slope of Avan Canyon up to water regulation reservoir and continues along the northern edge of the land parcel of the water reservoir up to the northern edge of Yerevan-Sevan Railway zone. Then the borderline continues along the northern edge of the railway zone up to the entrance of the Victory Park.