

POWERS OF THE CITY (Language taken from NCL Model Charter Article 1)

Article I – Name, Boundaries and Power of the City

Section 1.01 Name

The Municipal Corporation now existing and known as the Village of Dexter shall continue as a body corporate and shall henceforth be known as and include the territory constituting the City of Dexter, Washtenaw County, State of Michigan, on the effective date of this charter.

Section 1.02 Boundaries

The City shall embrace the territory comprising the existing Village of Dexter on the effective date of this charter and additional tracts of land situated in the Townships of Scio and Webster in the county of Washtenaw as described in a certified copy of the FINAL ORDER OF THE STATE BOUNDARY COMMISSION approving the incorporation of the territory described therein on May 24, 2013, together with such annexations and less such detachments as may be made thereafter. Upon annexation or detachment of territory, the boundaries shall be deemed changed without amendment to this section. The clerk shall maintain and keep available in the clerk's office for public inspection the legal description and map of the current boundaries of the City.

Section 1.03 General Powers

The City of Dexter and its officers shall be vested with any and all powers and immunities expressed and implied, which cities are or hereafter may be permitted to exercise or provide for in their charters under the Constitution and statutes mandated by the State of Michigan. It shall include all the powers of cities as fully and completely as though those powers and immunities were specifically enumerated in and provided for in this charter. In no case shall any enumeration of particular powers or immunities in this charter be held to be exclusive.

Section 1.04 Additional Powers of the City

The city and its officers shall have power to exercise all municipal powers in managing and controlling municipal property and in administering the municipal government, whether such powers are expressly enumerated or not; to do any act to advance the interests of the city, the good government, and prosperity of the municipality and its residents, and through its regularly constituted authority, to pass and enforce all laws relating to its municipal concerns subject to the constitution and laws of the State of Michigan and the provisions of this charter.

Section 1.05 Interpretation of General Powers

The powers of the city under this charter shall be construed liberally in favor of the city, and the specific mention of particular powers in the charter shall not be construed as limiting in any way the general power granted in this section.

Section 1.06 Intergovernmental Relations

The city may join with any municipal corporation or with any other unit or agency of government, whether local, state or federal, or with any number of combination thereof, by contract or otherwise, as may be permitted by law, in ownership, operation, or performance, jointly or by one or more on behalf of all, of any property, facility or service which each would have the power to own, operate or perform separately.