I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

This Law regulates the organization of the City of Skopje as a distinctive local self-government unit (hereinafter: City of Skopje); the competencies and the financing of the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje; the use of languages of the communities on the territory of the City of Skopje and within the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje; the cooperation between the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, and other issues of significance to the City of Skopje.

Article 2

In accordance to the principle established by Law, citizens of the City of Skopje exercise their right to local self-government using forms of direct expression and through the democratically elected bodies of the City of Skopje and of the respective municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

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1 The Editorial Consolidated Text of the Law on the City of Skopje, includes: The basic text of the Law published in the “Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia” No 55 / 4 and the Law on Consolidation and Amendments to the Law on the City of Skopje published in the “Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia” No 158 / 11, indicating the time-frame of their entry into force in Republic of Macedonia, power and application.
Article 3

Citizens of the Republic of Macedonia with permanent residence on the territory of the City of Skopje are residents of the City of Skopje.

Article 4

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are in the capacity of legal entities.

Article 5

The City of Skopje recognizes its own coat of arms and a flag that are used on the entire territory.
The municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje recognize their own coat of arms and a flag, used simultaneously with the coat of arms and the flag of the City of Skopje.

Article 6

The provisions of the Law on Local Self-Government also apply to all municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, unless otherwise regulated by this Law.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE

Article 7

The territory of the City of Skopje is constituted by the following territories within the municipalities: Airport, Butel, Gazi Baba, GjorcePetrov, Karposh, KiselaVoda, Saraj, Centar, Chair and SutoOrizari, in the limits established by this law.
Article 8

The border of the Municipality of Aerodrom starts from the Railway Bridge on the Vardar River (a triangle-landmark of the municipalities of Aerodrom, Centar and Gazi Baba) moving along the Transport Center "Skopje", along the railway in direction to Veles and the Markova River Bridge, continuing along the outer border of CM Dolno Lisiche to the Vardar River, turning upstream the Vardar River to the Railway Bridge on the Vardar River (Triangle-landmark of the municipalities Aerodrom, Center and Gazi Baba).

The border of the Butel Municipality starts from the western fence of the City "Butel" Cemetery (triangle - landmark of Butel, Shuto Orizari and Chucher-Sandevo municipalities) and it moves along the Macedonian-Kosovo Brigade 10 Street to the Railway Skopje North – Gjorce Petrov, turns west along the railway to the local road to the village of Vizbegovo, turns around the local road to the village of Vizbegovo, continues along the outer border of the CM Vizbegovo to the overpass on the railway and the Blace-Skopje National Road, turning south along the Blace-Skopje Highway to the intersection with the new street planned with The General Urban Plan of the City of Skopje, turns east on the street to the crossroad of the Second Macedonian Brigade and Macedonian-Kosovo Brigade Streets, continuing east on Second Macedonian Brigade Street to the crossroad with the Boulevard HristianTodorovski - Karpos, turns along the Boulevard HristianTodorovski - Karpos, on south to the Pest Control Center and bypassing it, moves along the "Hristian Todorovski Karpos" Street to the merger with the new "Circular Gazi Baba" Street planned with the General Urban Plan of the City of Skopje (triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Butel, Chair and GaziBaba), continuing east on the "HristianTodorovski Karpos" Street cutting Ferid Bajram Street and exiting at Croatia Street turns to northwest along Croatia Street to the intersection with Boulevard Hristian Todorovski - Karpos, continues north along the outer borders of the CM Butel, CM Radishani, CM Ljuboten, CM Ljubanci and again moving on the outer boundaries of CM Radishani and CM Butel up to the municipal triangle – landmark of Butel, SutoOrizari and Cucer-Sandevo municipalities.

The Gazi Baba Municipality border starts from the municipal triangle – landmark of Butel, Gazi Baba and Chair municipalities as referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, and moving
on the east side of CM 70/1 and CM 71/1 Gazi Baba, turning south of CM 71/1 and CM 65 Gazi Baba, continuing west of CM 2153 CM Gazi Baba and continuing along the axis of the newly designed street “Circular Gazi Baba”, passing under the Complex of the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics to the intersection of Nikola Karev Boulevard and Belasica Street (triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Gazi Baba, Chair and Center), turning along the Belasica Street down to the Railway Bridge on the Vardar River (triangle – landmark of Gazi Baba, Centar and Aerodrom municipalities), continuing along the Vardar River and along the outer borders of Idrizovo CM Jurumleri, CM Trubarevo, CM Indzikovo, CM Singelich, CM Brnjarchi, CM Strachinci, CM Creshevo, CM Bulachani and CM Rashtak continuing to the border with Municipality of Butel as referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article.

The border of the Gjorce Petrov Municipality starts at the junction of the Highway Skopje - Tetovo (in front of the Vardar River Bridge), and it downstreams along the Vardar River next to the Bridge on the projected Ciborovski Street ("1249"), turns around Ciborovski Street to the intersection with Gjorce Petrov Street, turning east along Proleterska Street ("1462") to the intersection with the projected Aco Shopov Street and follows the exit at the Lepenec River, turning upstream of the Lepenec River, and continues along the outer boundaries of the cadastral municipalities CM Novo Selo, CM Volkovo, CM Orman, CM Nikishtane, CM Gracani, CM Kuchkovo and KO Orizari to the intersection of Skopje - Tetovo Highway (in front of the bridge on the Vardar River).

The border of the Municipality of Karposh starts from the Railway Bridge on the Lepenec River and moves along the border with Gjorce Petrov Municipality as referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article, to the Laka location on the Vardar River, continues along the outer boundaries of the cadastral municipalities CM Gorno Nerezi, CM Gorno Vodno, i.e. the crest of the Vodno Mountain to the locality Teferich (triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Karposh, Kisela Voda and Sopishte), turns northwest to above the Institute of Earthquake and Seismology Engineering - IZIIS (triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Karposh, Kisela Voda and Centar), following the projected south bypass of the City of Skopje to the "550" Street, turns to the junction with Kozle Street, down the Kozle Street to the junction with the projected street which passes between the settlements of Kozle and Kapishtec and exits at the junction of the Ivo Lola Ribar and Roosevelt Streets, continues down Roosevelt
Street, the Partizanski Odredi Boulevard and the Ilindenska Street, continuing on the Walking Zone Street between the Zoo and the first part of the City Park, passing through the pedestrian bridge over the Vardar River, turning upstream of the Vardar River, and exiting onto Nikola Karev Boulevard, turns east on Nikola Karev Boulevard to the entrance of the Ilinden Army Barracks (Triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Karposh, Centar and Chair), continues along the eastern fence of the Ilinden Army Barracks, following the new street planned with the General Urban Plan of the City of Skopje beginning at the intersection of Second Macedonian Brigade and Macedonian - Kosovo Brigade Street to the Skopje - Blace National Road, continues along the outer boundaries of CM Zlokukani and CM Bardovci down to the Lepenec River (triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Karpos, Gjorce Petrov and Cucher-Sandevo) and along the Lepenec River to the Railroad Bridge.

The border of the Municipality of Kisela Voda starts from the Railway Overpass on the Railroad and the Third Macedonian Brigade Street (Triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Kisela Voda, Aerodrom and Center) and follows the route of the Old Railway to the overpass on Kocho Racin Boulevard, runs along Bihacka Street, the Crniche Street ("437") and "346" Street and exits above the Institute of Earthquake and Seismology Engineering - IZIIS, i.e. the Triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Centar, Karposh and Kisela Voda, continuing along the boundaries of the Park – Forest "Vodno" to the Teferich location, along the cadastral border of CM Sopishte, continues along the outer borders of CM Usje and CM Drachevo to Drachevo Railway Station, turns Northwest along Railway road Skopje - Veles, as a border with the Municipality of Aerodrom to the overpass on the Third Macedonian Brigade Street (Triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Kisela Voda, Aerodrom and Center).

The border of the Municipality of Saraj starts from the intersection of the Skopje - Tetovo Highway (in front of the Vardar River Bridge) and runs along the outer boundaries of the CM Kondovo, CM Dolno Svilare, CM Gorno Svilare, CM Radusha Mine, CM Dvorce, CM Radusha, CM Kopanica, CM Bojane, CM Laskarci, CM Panichari, CM Raovich, CM Chajlane, CM Matka, CM Shishevo, CM Grchec and CM Krushopek down to Vardar River (location Laka) and upstream of the Vardar River to the crossroad of the Skopje – Tetovo Highway (in front of the Vardar River Bridge).
The border of the Municipality Centar starts from the intersection of Ivo Lola Ribar Street and the Roosevelt Street and runs along the border with the Municipality of Karposh as stipulated in paragraph 5 of this Article, down to the Nikola Karev Boulevard and following to the east to the junction with Slavey Mountain Street, continuing down the Slavey Mountain Street exits on Samoilova Street, turning in front of the Complex Monument “St. Spas” along Lazar Tanev Street, continuing down the Pogradec Street to the overpass on Goce Delchev Boulevard, turns left onto Goce Delchev Boulevard to the junction with Krste Misirkov Boulevard, turns north on Krste Misirkov Boulevard to the entrance of the "St. Cyril and Methodius" University, continues along the northern fence of” St. Cyril and Methodius” University down to Nikola Karev Boulevard, turns to east of the Nikola Karev Boulevard to the intersection with Belasica Street (triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Gazi Baba, Chair and Centar as referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article) turning south along Belasica Street and exits on the Vardar River at the triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Center, Gazi Baba and Aerodrom, and across the border with the municipalities of Aerodrom and Kisela Voda as referred in paragraphs 1 and 6 of this Article, to the Ivo Lola Ribar Street and Roosevelt Junction.

The border of the Municipality of Chair starts from the Nikola Karev Boulevard at the entrance of the "Ilinden" Army Barracks and moves along the border with Municipality of Centar as referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article, to the intersection of Nikola Karev Boulevard and Belasica Street (triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Cair, Centar and Gazi Baba), continuing along the border with Municipality of Gazi Baba as referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article, up to the triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Chair, Gazi Baba and Butel, along the border with the Municipality of Butel as stipulated in paragraph 2 on this Article, continuing to the triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Chair, Butel and Karposh along the eastern fence of the "Ilinden" Army Barracks to the junction in front of the entrance of the “Ilinden” Army Barracks.

The border of the Municipality of Shuto Orizari starts from the triangle – landmark of the municipalities of Butel, Shuto Orizari and Chucher-Sandevo and runs along the border of the Municipality of Butel as referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, down to the local road of the village of Vizbegovo, turning down the local road to the village of Vizbegovo, continuing
along the outer border of the CM Gorno Orizari to the triangle - landmark of the municipalities of Butel, Shuto Orizari and Chucher-Sandevo.

Article 9

The territory of the City of Skopje established by the Constitution of the Republic of Macedonia, underlines to the competencies executed by the authorities within the City of Skopje and by the authorities of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

Affairs of local importance that are functionally indivisible and equally significant for the entire territory of the City of Skopje are performed by the authorities of the City of Skopje.

Affairs of local importance that are functionally divisible by their character and are of importance to the municipalities on the territory of the City Skopje are performed by the authorities within the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

III. COMPETENCIES OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE AND THE MUNICIPALITIES ON THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE

a) Competencies of the City of Skopje

Article 10

Competences, i.e. Public Interest Affairs of local significance to the City of Skopje are:

1. Planning and organizing of the environment
   - enacting of a Spatial Plan of the City of Skopje;
   - enacting of a General Urban Plan of the City of Skopje;
   - providing an opinion on draft versions on detailed urban plans, urban projects and urban plans for the settlements, adopted by the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje;
   - organization of building site / location, and
   - establishing standards and providing consent on the installation of temporary facilities, furniture and urban equipment on the territory of the City of Skopje.
2. Protection of the environment and nature
- protection, undertaking measures and prevention of water, air, and soil pollution, nature protection, noise protection and non-ionizing radiation on the territory of the City of Skopje.

3. Local economy development
- planning of the local economy development of the City of Skopje;
- establishing development and structural priorities at the level of the City of Skopje;
- conveying local economy policy at the level of the City of Skopje;
- identifying a strategy and supporting the development of small and medium-sized enterprises and entrepreneurship;
- development and promotion of alternative and cultural tourism, and
- Improvement of the tourists accommodation conditions in the City of Skopje and promotion of tourist information.

4. Communal activities
- construction, use, protection and maintenance of highways and roads; and other infrastructure facilities;
- categorizing and naming of city settlements, streets, squares, bridges and other infrastructure facilities;
- drinking water supply from the single water supply system of the City of Skopje;
- drainage and treatment of wastewater;
- drainage and discharge of atmospheric water;
- processing and delivery of technological water;
- construction and maintenance of public lighting on national highways and streets on the territory of the City of Skopje;
- collection and transportation of communal and other non-hazardous waste;
- maintenance of landfills for communal and other non-hazardous waste;
- arranging and organizing public urban and suburban transportation of passengers;
- maintaining the public hygiene of public traffic areas;
- maintenance and use of city parks, forest parks on the territory of the City of Skopje, the leisure and sports - recreational zones, established by the General Urban Plan and other protected areas in accordance with the law;
- maintenance of green areas on national roads and in the streets;
- construction, maintenance and use of public parking lots of importance to the City of Skopje, established by an urban plan;
- installation, replacement, removal and maintenance of traffic signs and protective equipment on local roads and streets;
- establishing traffic conditions and traffic regime on the territory of the City of Skopje;
- maintenance of graves, cemeteries, crematoria and burial urban cemetery services, established by an urban plan;
- natural gas and heat supply;
- building, managing, maintaining and facilitating a single geographical area information system of the City of Skopje;
- regulation, maintenance and facilitation of riverbeds within urbanized area locations;
- fumigation on the territory of the City of Skopje;
- construction, use and maintenance of wholesale and retail markets of motor vehicles on the territory of the City of Skopje;
- eradication of homeless animals;
- designation and maintenance of locations for deceased animals burial; and
- decorating the City of Skopje.

5. Culture
- Institutional and financial support to cultural institutions and projects important for the City of Skopje;
- nurturing folklore, customs, old crafts and similar culture values;
- organizing cultural events; encouraging diverse specific forms of creativity, and
- celebration of events and persons of importance for the City of Skopje;

6. Education
- establishing, financing and participating with its representatives in the bodies of management within the public high schools on the territory of the City of Skopje, in accordance to the law;
- appointing directors of public high schools and students dormitories, in accordance to the law, and
- organizing transportation, food and accommodation to students in dormitories, in accordance to the law.
7. Sports activities
- providing conditions for quality sports development within the City of Skopje;
- organizing, encouraging and assisting sports events and performances significant for the City of Skopje, and
- construction and maintenance of sports facilities of importance for the City of Skopje.

8. Social and child protection
- providing social care for disabled people, orphans and parentless children care, children with educational and social problems, children with special needs, single parent families children, children in the streets, persons exposed to social risks, people affected by drug and alcohol abuse, raising awareness of the population, housing of persons at social risk;
- ownership, management, founding, financing and maintenance of the public institutions - homes for the elderly, in accordance with the law;
- ownership, management, founding, financing and maintenance of the public institutions – children / youth resorts, in accordance with the law; and
- participation with its representatives in the management bodies of the public institutions for children - kindergartens, on the territory of the City of Skopje, in accordance with the law.

9. Health care
- participation in the management of the network of public health institutions and primary health care facilities of importance to the City of Skopje;
- undertaking measures to protect the health and safety of workers at work;
- health education;
- health promotion;
- preventive activities;
- health surveillance on the environment and infectious diseases; and
- Assisting patients with special needs.

10. Protection and rescue
- Coordination of activities for protection and rescue of citizens and tangible goods from military destruction, natural disasters and other accidents and the consequences caused thereof.

11. Fire protection
- fire protection on the territory of the City of Skopje.
12. Supervision

- Supervision over the performance of activities under the jurisdiction of the City of Skopje. The opinion stipulated in paragraph 1 item 1 line 3 of this Article shall be given by the City of Skopje, the latest within 30 days upon submission of the draft plan, and failing to meet this deadline, it shall be considered as positive opinion.

The competences referred to in paragraph 1 item 4 line 15 of this Article shall be exercised in accordance with the body of the state administration authorized for traffic affairs.

The bodies of the City of Skopje may also perform other activities established by law.

**Article 11**

The City of Skopje, in the performance of its competence, shall also enact and shall ensure the application of a single regulation, enabling equal level of service and equal availability of assistance to citizens, following identical standards application.

**Article 12**

The City of Skopje on the territory of the City of Skopje, within the law and in accordance with the principle of Subsidiarity is entitled to the right of performing activities of public interest of importance to the City of Skopje, that are not excluded from its jurisdiction or fail jurisdiction of bodies of the state authorities.

**Article 13**

The City of Skopje, for the performance of public affairs of local importance within its competences, may establish public service entities, in accordance with the law.

**Article 14**

The City of Skopje also performs activities that derive from the character of the City Skopje, as the capital of the Republic of Macedonia.
The City of Skopje, as the capital of the Republic of Macedonia, the Republic may entitle certain rights or entrust performance with certain affairs.

b) **Competences of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje**

**Article 15**

Competencies, i.e. Jurisdiction of public interest with local importance to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje is:

1. Planning and organizing of the environment
   - initiatives to enact, amend and supplement the Spatial Plan of the City of Skopje and the General Urban Plan of the City Skopje;
   - providing opinions on drafts of the Spatial Plan of the City of Skopje and the General Urban Plan of the City of Skopje
   - adoption of detailed urban plans, urban projects and urban plans on settlements within the respective municipality;
   - implementing urban plans and projects and issuing documentation on construction of buildings with local importance (building conditions, urban planning consent, building permits);
   - Issuing approvals on installation of temporary buildings, furniture and urban areas equipment, and
   - organizing of building site / location in the part of equipping the building site / location with facilities and installation of secondary infrastructure.

2. Protection of the environment and nature
   - Initiating and undertaking measures to protect and prevent water, air, and soil pollution, nature protection, protection against noise and non-ionizing radiation.

3. Local economy development
   - planning the local economy development of the respective municipality;
   - establishing development and structural priorities of the respective municipality, and
   - support to the development of small and medium-sized enterprises and entrepreneurship within the respective municipality.
4. Communal activities
- construction, maintenance, reconstruction and protection of public and residential streets and other infrastructure facilities;
- maintaining the hygiene of public and residential streets;
- organizing, exporting and transporting communal and other types of non-hazardous waste;
- construction and maintenance of public lighting on residential and public streets on the territory of the respective municipality;
- Maintenance of graves and cemeteries and provision of funeral services at municipal cemeteries established by an urban plan;
- construction, maintenance and use of public parking lots of importance to the respective municipality determined by an urban plan;
- maintenance and use of green areas on public and residential streets;
- removal of unregistered motor vehicles and other vehicles from the public areas;
- maintenance and use of public markets;
- disinfection and eradication; and
- construction and maintenance of public sanitary facilities.

5. Culture
- Institutional and financial support to cultural institutions and projects of importance to the respective municipality;
- nurturing folklore, customs, old crafts and similar culture values;
- organizing cultural events, encouraging diversity and specific forms of creativity, and
- organizing events and acknowledging persons of importance to the respective municipality.

6. Education
- establishing, financing and participating in the management of the primary schools on its territory, in accordance with law;
- appointing elementary school principals, in accordance with law; and
- transportation and nutrition of students in schools under its jurisdiction, in accordance with the law.

7. Social and child protection
- ownership, management, founding, financing and maintenance of the public child care facilities - kindergartens, in accordance with the law, and
undertaking measures in the field of social protection in accordance with the law.

8. Health care
- taking measures to protect the health and safety of workers at work;
- health education;
- health promotion;
- preventive activities;
- health surveillance on the environment and infectious diseases; and
- Assisting patients with special needs.

9. Protection and rescue
- protection and rescue of citizens and tangible goods from war distraction and natural disasters; and other accidents and consequences caused by them.

10. Supervision
- Supervision over the performance of the activities within the competences of the respective municipality.

The plans and projects referred to in paragraph 1 item 1 line 3 of this Article shall be submitted by the municipality on prior positive opinion obtained by the City of Skopje and upon consent by the body of the state administration liable for the affairs of the environment.

The activities referred to in paragraph 1 item 1 line 5 of this Article shall be carried out in accordance with the established standards, and upon prior consent from the City of Skopje.

The activities referred to in paragraph 1 item 4 line 3 of this Article shall be carried out in accordance with the City of Skopje.

The activities referred to in paragraph 1 item 9 of this Article shall be carried out in cooperation with the City Skopje.

Article 16

The City of Skopje is liable for all initiatives undertaken and proposals made by the respective municipalities on the territory of the City to provide an opinion and to notify the respective municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje.
Article 17

The municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, according to the law and in accordance with the Principle of Subsidiarity, are entitled to the right of performing affairs of public interest with importance to the municipality, that are in line with their authorization and fail jurisdiction by bodies of the state authorities or jurisdiction of the bodies of the City of Skopje.

Article 18

In accordance with the law, the respective municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are entitled to establishing public service entities for performing public affairs of local importance within their jurisdiction.

IV. BODIES OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE AND THE MUNICIPALITIES ON THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY SKOPJE

Article 19

The bodies of the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are the Council and the Mayor.

Article 20

The Council of the City of Skopje is constituted of 45 members. The number of members of the councils at the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje is established in accordance with the law.
Article 21

The right to be elected as a member of the Council of the City of Skopje and as a Mayor of the City of Skopje is dedicated to all inhabitants of the City of Skopje.
Right to be elected as a member of the Council of the Municipality and as a Mayor of the Municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje is to all inhabitants with permanent residence on the territory of the respective municipality where the election is made.

V. FINANCING THE CITY OF SKOPJE AND THE MUNICIPALITIES ON THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE

Article 22

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are financed under their own sources of income, such as tax revenues, income from the Budget of the Republic of Macedonia and the Budgets of Funds, loans income, in accordance with the law and other income established by law.

Article 23

In order to provide equal terms for the functioning of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje and meeting the common needs of the citizens in the City of Skopje, a Joint Fund of the City of Skopje and of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje is established (hereinafter referred to as: Joint Fund).
The Joint Fund operates by assets of personal income tax, a utility fee for the companies and a utility fee for using the streets with passenger, freight and trailer vehicles and other means of transportation, in accordance with law.
The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje shall realize the income within the Joint Fund in accordance to the methodology for allocation of funds from the Joint Fund.

The methodology referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article shall be enacted by the Minister of Finance.

a) Sources of Income

Article 24

Proper sources of income of the City of Skopje and the municipalities of the City of Skopje are:
- local taxes (property tax, real estate sales tax, inheritance and gift tax, other local taxes established by law);
- local taxes (utility fees, administrative fees and other local taxes established by law);
- local fees (compensation for organizing of building site / location, communal fee, spatial urban plans fee, other local fees established by law);
- property income (rental income; interest income; income from the sale of property);
- income from self-contribution;
- income from penalties established by law;
- income from donations, and
- other income established by law.

1. Local Tax Revenue

Article 25

The Local Tax Revenue is the income to the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, and is allocated between the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City Skopje.
Article 26

Income earned on the basis of the lowest tax rate on property tax, inheritance and gift tax and real estate sale tax, established by law, is distributed at a ratio of 50% to the City of Skopje and 50% to the respective municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje.

Article 27

The City of Skopje may determine a higher rate of property tax than the lowest rate of property tax established by law, the highest to 0.05%.
Municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje may set a higher tax rate on property tax than the lowest rate of property tax established by law, the highest to 0.05%.
The income earned on the basis referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be income to the City Skopje.
The income earned on the basis of paragraph 2 of this Article shall be income to the respective municipality on the territory of the city of Skopje.

Article 28

The City of Skopje may determine a higher turnover tax rate on the real estate than the lowest real estate tax rate established by law, the highest to 1%.
Municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje may establish a higher tax rate on real estate turnover than the lowest turnover tax rate of real estate established by law, the highest to 1%.
The income earned on the basis referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be an income to the City of Skopje.
The income earned on the basis referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall be an income to the respective municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje.
Article 29

The City of Skopje establishes the tax rate on inheritance and gift within the established law and collects the assets as an income to the City of Skopje and to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

The funds referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be allocated at a rate of 50% to the City of Skopje and 50% for the respective municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje.

2. Income generated under other taxes

Article 30

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje generate personal tax income according to the law.

The income referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be an income to the Joint Fund.

Article 31

The distribution / allocation of the income to the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje on other taxes prescribed by law shall be established by special laws.

3. Communal / Utility Fee Income

Article 32

The Communal / Utility taxes as an income to the City of Skopje and to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are:

- tax on a company, i.e. business premises;
- fee on using public streets by passenger cars, trucks, buses, special vehicles and motorcycles;
- fee on use of tent camps and other similar temporary use;
- fee on music in public places;
- fee on the space used in front of the business premises for doing business;
- fee on displaying advertisements, announcements and promotions in public;
- fee on displaying cabinets for promoting goods outside office / business buildings;
- fee on use of squares and other space in cities and other settlements for the purpose of exhibiting objects, organizing exhibitions and others entertaining performances;
- fee on using and maintaining public lighting; and
- other communal / utility fees established by law

**Article 33**

Communal / utility tax revenues, as revenue to the City of Skopje and to the municipalities on the territory of The City of Skopje is distributed / allocated between the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

**Article 34**

The City of Skopje determines the fee for the company, i.e., on the title of the business premises and the fee on using the public streets by passenger, freight motor vehicles, buses, special vehicles and motorcycles within the limits established by law.

The funds referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be allocated at a rate of 50% to the City of Skopje and 50% to the Joint Fund.

**Article 35**

The City of Skopje establishes the fee on the use of land / sites / location in tent camps and other similar temporary use, and fees on music in public venues within the established law.

The funds referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be collected by the City of Skopje.

The funds referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be distributed / allocated at a rate of 70% to the City of Skopje and 30% to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.
Article 36

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje within the limits established by law, regulate:
- fee on space use in front of business premises for doing business;
- fee on displaying advertisements, announcements and promotion on public sites;
- a fee on displaying cabinets for promoting goods outside the business buildings, and
- fee on the use of squares and other space in the cities and others settlements for the purpose of exhibiting objects, organizing exhibitions and other entertaining performances for doing business.
The fees referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be collected by the City of Skopje or by municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, depending on the jurisdiction on the public space maintenance.

Article 37

The utility fee on the use and maintenance of public lighting are determine and collect in accordance with the law.

4. Administrative and other Local Fees Income

Article 38

Income from administrative and other local fees as established by law related to performing activities under the jurisdiction of the City of Skopje, are income to the City of Skopje.
Income from administrative and other local fees as established by law related to the performance of activities within the competences of the municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje, are revenues to the municipality.
5. Reimbursement Income

Article 39

Income from local reimbursement / fees as income to the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are distributed / allocated between the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

Article 40

The income from the reimbursement on organizing of construction sites / locations is allocated in ratio of 60% to the City of Skopje and 40% to the municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje regulating the construction sites / locations.

Utility fees, fees on spatial and urban plans and other reimbursement established by law related to performing activities under the jurisdiction of the City of Skopje, are income of the City of Skopje.

Income collected from communal fees, spatial and urban plans fees and other reimbursement established by law related to performing activities under the jurisdiction of the municipality are income to the respective municipality.

6. The Income from the Budget of the Republic of Macedonia, Budgets of Funds and other income

Article 41

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are entitled to assistance from the Budget of the Republic Macedonia and from the budgets of the Funds, and receive:

- earmarked grants;
- block grants;
- capital grants, and
- grants on delegated jurisdiction.

**Article 42**

The income from ownership of the City of Skopje is an income to the City of Skopje. The municipal property revenue on the territory of the City of Skopje are revenue of the respective municipality.

**Article 43**

The income from the self-contribution announced by the City of Skopje is revenue of the City Skopje. The income deriving from self-contribution announced by the municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje are income to the respective municipality.

**Article 44**

The income deriving from fines established by law are income to the City of Skopje or to the respective municipality on the territory of the City of Skopje, in accordance with the provisions of the special laws.

**Член 45**

The income earned with donations to the City of Skopje is an income of the City of Skopje. The income from donations to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje is an income of the respective municipality. The management of the received donations to the City of Skopje and to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje is under their discretion.

**Article 46**
Other income established by law is an income to the City of Skopje and income to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, in accordance with the provisions of the special laws.

7. Liabilities

Article 47

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are entitled to credit loans in the country and abroad under the conditions stipulated by law. The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, in accordance with the law, may provide guarantees and assume liabilities arising from long-term loans to the established public entities.

b) Revenue Collection

Article 48

The assessment and collection of the local tax established by the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are administered by the Tax Administration of the City of Skopje. The establishment and collection of the income taxes and fees to the City of Skopje is performed by the Tax Administration of the City of Skopje. The establishment and collection of the income taxes and fees of the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are administered by the Tax Administration of the City of Skopje. The establishment and collection of income taxes and the fees of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are administered by the Tax Administration of the respective municipality.
The activities of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article may be entrusted the City of Skopje. Taxes, fees and charges levied by the Tax Administration of the City of Skopje, and are the income to the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje are distributed / allocated on monthly basis.

Article 49

The City of Skopje submits quarterly reports on the collection and allocation of income to the respective municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.


Article 50

The official language in the City of Skopje is the Macedonian Language and its Cyrillic Alphabet.

In the City of Skopje, besides the Macedonian language and its Cyrillic alphabet, the official language is the language and alphabet used by at least 20% of the population in the City of Skopje.

For the use of the languages and alphabets spoken by less than 20% of the residents of the City of Skopje, shall decide the Council of the City of Skopje.

Regulations concerning the use of languages and alphabets spoken by less than 20% of the residents of the City of Skopje, are adopted by majority of votes of the attending members of the Council of the City of Skopje, whereby, there must be a the majority of the votes are votes of the attending members of the Council representing the non-majority communities in the City of Skopje.
Article 51

Within the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje the official language is the Macedonian Language and its Cyrillic Alphabet.

Within the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje besides the Macedonian Language and its Cyrillic Alphabet, the official language is the language and alphabet used by at least 20% of the residents in the respective municipality.

For the use of the languages and alphabets spoken by less than 20% of the residents in the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje shall decide the Council of the municipality.

Regulations concerning the use of languages and alphabets spoken by less than 20% of the residents in the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, are adopted by the majority of votes of the attending members of the Council of the municipality, whereby, the majority of the votes are votes of the council members representatives of the non-majority communities within the municipalities.

VII. RELATIONS AND COOPERATION OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE AND THE MUNICIPALITIES ON THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY OF SKOPJE

Article 52

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of The City of Skopje realizes mutual cooperation through:

- exchange of materials within their competence on mutual information dissemination or consent providing;
- initiating acts and measures regulating affairs of common interest to the City of Skopje;
- undertaking joint actions and measures to resolve and perform tasks related to their competences, and
- providing expert assistance in the enforcement of laws and other regulations.
Article 53

For realization of mutual cooperation of the Mayor of the City of Skopje and the mayors of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje, a Coordination Body of Mayors (hereinafter: Coordination Body) is established. The Coordination Body is constituted by the Mayor of the City of Skopje and the mayors of the municipalities on the territory of the city of Skopje. The Coordination Body is managed by the Mayor of the City of Skopje.

Article 54

The Coordination Body:
- reviews and makes recommendations on issues of common interest to the City Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje following sustainable and harmonized development of the City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje;
- aligns the strategies and plans that influence the development of the city as a single spatial and functional unit;
- mandatory aligns the views on the detailed and general urban plan, public transport plans, technical infrastructure plans, administration and collection of proper income, revenues and expenditure requisites of the city and municipalities; and
- adopts the rules of procedure for its work.

Article 55

The Coordination Body shall meet at least once a month. The sessions are prepared and organized by the administration of the City of Skopje.
VIII. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 56

The upcoming local elections to elect members of the Council to the City of Skopje, the number of members of the Council to the City of Skopje shall be determined in accordance with Article 20 paragraph 1 of this Law.

Article 57

The constitutive session of the newly established municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje shall be convened by the council president of the previous constitution of the municipality the new municipality emerged from.

Article 58

Premises, material-technical conditions and other means necessary for working performance execution within the newly established municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje shall be provided by assets of the income earned over the established amount according to the 2004 Law on limitation of source income to financing public requisites.

The amount, manner and terms of facilitating of the funds referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be determined by the Government of the Republic of Macedonia.

Article 59

The bodies of the newly established municipality until conditions for working performance are provided, shall maintain working performance within the premises of the former municipality.

Administrative affairs for the newly established municipality until adoption of the Act on organization and systematization, shall be performed by the municipal administration of the municipality the newly established municipality emerged from.
Article 60

Within 60 days from the constitution of the municipal councils of the newly established municipalities and the remaining municipalities, a balance of the real estate property shall be divided by location, i.e. property appertain to the respective municipality according to territory position.

The balance divided shall be implemented by a commission established by the Government of the Republic Macedonia from the representatives of the municipalities referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article and a representative of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia.

Article 61

The municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje that gave foundation to the newly formed municipalities are required to hand over the documentation, records and the archive related to affairs in competence to the newly formed municipalities within 30 days from the day the municipal councils are constituted.

Article 62

The cases and procedures that fail completion and are under the jurisdiction of the newly formed municipalities shall be taken over and completed by the newly formed municipalities, in accordance with the law.

Article 63

Employment in the newly established municipality in accordance with the organizational acts and the systematization of job positions within the municipal administration, shall be carried out upon prior positive opinion obtained by the Agency of State Officials and funds provided within the budget of the newly established municipality.
Article 64

The methodology referred to in Article 23 paragraph 3 of this Law shall be adopted within three months from the date of entry into force of this Law.

Article 65

The City of Skopje and the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje shall enact or harmonize the general acts with the provisions of this law within three months from the day of constituting the councils of the City of Skopje and of the municipalities on the territory of the City of Skopje.

Article 66

On the date of this law appliance shall cease the validation of the Law on the City of Skopje (“Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia” number 49 / 96 and 53 / 2001)

Article 67

This Law shall enter into force on the day following the date of its publication at the "Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia", and shall apply following the upcoming local elections.

PROVISION of the Law on Consolidation and Amendments to the Law on the City of Skopje

(“Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia” No. 158 / 11)

Article 2

This Law shall enter into force on the eighth day following the date of its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia ".