New York as an eighteenth century municipality

Peterson Arthur Everett
New Yorke. The 17th day of October A.D. 1615

Edmundo Andros Esq. Lieutenant of
Sausmarez, Lieut. and Governo & Gen. under his Royall
Highnesse James Duke of Yorke & Albany et al of
all his Territores in America. To all to whome these
presents shall come I sendeth greeting.

By vertue of his Maj: Letters Patents, unto his Royall
Highnesse and the Authority derived unto me I do
doe hereby appoint and authorize you M. William
Cerrall to bee Mayor, M. Gabriel Newville,
M. Nicholas De Mayer, M. Thomas Gibbs
M. Thomas Lewis, and M. Stephanus
Van Cortlandt to bee Aldermen and M. John
Sharpe to bee Sherriffe of this City. Giving and
granting unto you the said Mayor and Aldermen
or any foure of you, whereof the Mayor or Deputie
Mayor, to bee alwase one (unless in case of necessity
by theyre absence, sickness or otherwise, when the Eldest
Alderman is to preside). And upon equality to have the
 Casting and Decisive voyce, with full power and Autho-
 rity to keape Courts, Administer Justice as a Court
 of Sessions; And Rule and Governe all the Inhabitants.
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