CHAPTER XXIX.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MINNE-APOLIS BEING AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE CITIES OF SAINT ANTHONY AND MINNEAPOLIS, AND INCORPORA-ING THE SAME INTO ONE CITY BY THE NAME OF MINNEAPOLIS," APPROVED FEBRUARY 28, 1872, AND THE VARIOUS ACTS AMEND-ATORY THEREOF.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That section twenty-seven of chapter three of said act as amended by section two of chapter two of the special laws of 1874, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 27. The city council at their first meeting in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be, shall cause the city clerk to advertise in the official paper of the city for one week for sealed proposals for the publishing in some daily newspaper, printed, published and of general circulation in said city, of the ordinances, official proceedings of the council, and other matters required by this act or the by-laws and ordinances of the city to be published in a public newspaper, bids to state the price per inch for the first insertion and the price per inch for each additional insertion of all matter so to be published; said bids to be marked "proposals for advertising" and addressed to the city council of the city of Minneapolis, which bids shall be opened at the next meeting of the city council, and the contract for such publishing awarded to such daily newspaper bidding the lowest thereof, which said paper shall be declared the official paper of the city; provided,. always, that the proprietor or proprietors of such paper shall first enter into a written contract for the performance of the duties required by this, and the next succeeding section and give bond in the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars with two satisfactory sureties to be approved by the city council conditioned for the faithful performance of such contract; and said daily newspaper so designated shall be, and remain the official paper of said city, and the contract and bond aforesaid shall be and remain in force for one year, and until said city council shall designate another paper as the official paper of said city in place thereof. But, if each and every of the bids so as aforesaid received shall fix a price exceeding thirty cents per inch for any first or additional insertion of any such matter then the city council may reject any or all such bids and adopt in the discretion of the council any other method of publishing such ordinances and official proceedings. Provided, That if any two or more of such bids shall be the same, the city council may proceed to select and appoint by vote one of such papers as such official paper, the proprietors of which shall enter into contract and give bond as aforesaid."

SEC. 2. That section eight of chapter eight of said act as amended

by section six of chapter two of the special laws of 1874, be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following, to-wit: "and every printed pamphlet or book purporting to be a publication of the official proceedings of the city council of said city, and purporting to be published and printed by authority of said city council shall be received in all the courts of this state as prima facie evidence that the contents thereof are the genuine official proceedings of said city council at and during the time therein stated."

SEC. 3. This act is hereby declared a public act, and shall take

effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1876.

CHAPTER XXX.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE CITIES OF ST. ANTHONY AND MINNEAPOLIS.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION. 1. That an act to amend an act entitled "an act consolidating the cities of St. Anthony and Minneapolis, and incorporating the same into one city by the name of Minneapolis, approved February 28, 1872," approved March 5, 1874, be amended as follows, viz.: By striking out section 6 of chapter 10 of said act and substituting the

following, viz.:

- Sec. 6. Whenever it shall be deemed advisable by the city council to lay, relay or extend the water mains along or through any of the streets, lanes or alleys of said city, said council is hereby authorized and empowered, and may assess and collect such proportion of the cost and expense of laying, relaying or extending said water mains, including fire hydrants and mains leading thereto, not exceeding the cost and expense of laying a six inch pipe, as said council may deem just and reasonable, and not exceeding the actual cost thereof, upon the lots or properties fronting upon the portions of the streets, lanes or alleys, through which said water mains may have been laid, relaid or extended or through which the same are proposed to be laid, relaid or extended, by an assessment of an equal sum upon each front foot of such lots or properties so fronting, or may assess and collect such proportion of said cost and expense upon the lots or properties benefited by such laying, relaying or extending of such water mains; and the balance of the said cost, if any there be, shall be chargeable to the said property of the divisions of the city in which said work shall have or may be done.
- SEC. 2. And by striking out section 7 of said chapter 10 and substituting in place thereof the following: