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[For text of subds 1 to 7, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 7a. No municipality or redevelopment agency shall undertake any project authorized by this chapter unless its governing body finds that the project furthers the purposes stated in this section, nor until the commissioner of securities has approved the project, on the basis of preliminary information which the commissioner may require, as tending to further the purposes and policies of this chapter. Approval shall not be deemed to be an approval by the commissioner of securities or the state of the feasibility of the project or the terms of the revenue agreement to be executed or the bonds to be issued therefor, and the commissioner shall state this in communicating approval.

Subd. 7b. Prior to submitting an application to the commissioner of securities requesting approval of a project pursuant to subdivision 7a, the governing body of the municipality or redevelopment agency shall conduct a public hearing on the proposal to undertake and finance the project. Notice of the time and place of hearing, and stating the general nature of the project and an estimate of the principal amount of bonds or other obligations to be issued to finance the project, shall be published at least once not less than 15 days nor more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for the hearing, in the official newspaper and a newspaper of general circulation of the municipality or redevelopment agency. The notice shall state that a draft copy of the proposed application to the commissioner of securities, together with all attachments and exhibits thereto, shall be available for public inspection following the publication of such notice and shall specify the place and times where and when it will be so available. At the time and place fixed for the public hearing, the governing body of the municipality or the redevelopment agency shall give all parties who appear at the hearing an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to undertake and finance the project. Following the completion of the public hearing, the governing body of the municipality or redevelopment agency shall adopt a resolution determining whether or not to proceed with the project and its financing and may thereafter apply to the commissioner of securities for approval of the project.

[For text of subds 8 and 9, see M.S.1978]

[1979 c 306 s 9,10]

474.02 Definitions.

[For text of subds 1 to 1c, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 1d. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the term "project" shall not include any property to be sold or to be affixed to or consumed in the production of property for sale, and shall not include any housing facility to be rented or used as a permanent residence.

[For text of subds 2 to 8, see M.S.1978]

[1979 c 306 s 11]

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474.03 Powers.

Any municipality or redevelopment agency, in addition to the powers prescribed elsewhere by the laws of this state, shall have the power to:

(1) Acquire, construct, and hold any lands, buildings, easements, water and air rights, improvements to lands and buildings, and capital equipment to be located permanently or used exclusively on a designated site and solid waste disposal and pollution control equipment, regardless of where located, which are deemed necessary in connection with a project to be situated within the state, whether wholly or partially within or without the municipality or redevelopment agency, and construct, reconstruct, improve, better, and extend such project;

(2) Issue revenue bonds, in anticipation of the collection of revenues of such project, to finance, in whole or in part, the cost of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, betterment, or extension thereof;

(3) Issue revenue bonds to pay, purchase or discharge all or any part of the outstanding indebtedness of a contracting party engaged primarily in the operation of one or more nonprofit hospitals or nursing homes, theretofore incurred in the acquisition or betterment of its existing hospital or nursing home facilities, including, to the extent deemed necessary by the governing body of the municipality or redevelopment agency, any unpaid interest on such indebtedness accrued or to accrue to the date on which such indebtedness is finally paid; and any premium the governing body of the municipality or redevelopment agency determines to be necessary to be paid to pay, purchase or defease such outstanding indebtedness; if revenue bonds are issued for this purpose, the refinancing and the existing properties of the contracting party shall be deemed to constitute a project under section 474.02, subdivision 1c. Industrial revenue bonds shall only be available under this provision if the commissioner of securities has been shown that a reduction in debt service charges to patients and third party payors will occur. All reductions in debt service charges pursuant to this program shall be passed on to patients and third party payors. These industrial revenue bonds may not be used for any purpose not consistent with the provisions of sections 145.71 to 145.83 or chapter 256B;

Nothing in this subdivision is intended to prohibit the use of revenue bond proceeds to pay outstanding indebtedness of a contracting party to the extent now permitted by law;

(4) Enter into a revenue agreement with any person, firm, or public or private corporation or federal or state governmental subdivision or agency in such manner that payments required thereby to be made by the contracting.party shall be fixed, and revised from time to time as necessary, so as to produce income and revenue sufficient to provide for the prompt payment of principal of and interest on all bonds issued hereunder when due, and the revenue agreement shall also provide that the contracting party shall be required to pay all expenses of the operation and maintenance of the project including, but without limitation, adequate insurance thereon and insurance against all liability for injury to persons or property arising from the operation thereof, and all taxes and special assessments levied upon or with respect to the project and payable during the term of the revenue agreement, during which term a tax shall be imposed and collected pursuant to the provisions of section 272.01, subdivision 2, for the privilege of using and possessing the project, in the same amount and to the same extent as though the contracting party were the owner of all real and personal property comprising the project;

(5) Pledge and assign to the holders of such bonds or a trustee therefor all or any part of the revenues of one or more projects and define and segregate such revenues or provide for the payment thereof to a trustee, whether or not such trustee is in possession of the project under a mortgage or otherwise;

(6) Mortgage or otherwise encumber such projects in favor of the municipality or redevelopment agency, the holders of such bonds, or a trustee therefor, provided that in creating any such mortgages or encumbrances a municipality or redevelopment agency shall not have the power to obligate itself except with respect to the project;

(7) Make all contracts, execute all instruments, and do all things necessary or convenient in the exercise of the powers herein granted, or in the performance of its covenants or duties, or in order to secure the payment of its bonds; including, but without

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limitation, a contract entered into prior to the construction of the project authorizing the contracting party, subject to such terms and conditions as the municipality or redevelopment agency shall find necessary or desirable and proper, to provide for the construction, acquisition, and installation of the buildings, improvements, and equipment to be included in the project by any means available to the contracting party and in the manner determined by the contracting party and without advertisement for bids as may be required for the construction or acquisition of other municipal facilities;

(8) Enter into and perform such contracts and agreements with other municipalities, political subdivisions, and state agencies, authorities, and institutions as the respective governing bodies of the same may deem proper and feasible for or concerning the planning, construction, lease, purchase, mortgaging or other acquisition, and the financing of a project, and the maintenance thereof, including an agreement whereby one municipality issues its revenue bonds in behalf of one or more other municipalities pursuant to revenue agreements with the same or different contracting parties, which contracts and agreements may establish a board, commission, or such other body as may be deemed proper for the supervision and general management of the facilities of the project; provided, no municipality or redevelopment agency shall enter into or perform any contract or agreement with any school district under which the municipality or redevelopment agency issues its revenue bonds or otherwise provides for the construction of school facilities and the school leases or otherwise acquires these facilities;

(9) Accept from any authorized agency of the federal government loans or grants for the planning, construction, acquisition, leasing, purchase, or other provision of any project, and enter into agreements with such agency respecting such loans or grants;

(10) Sell and convey all properties acquired in connection with such projects, including without limitation the sale and conveyance thereof subject to such mortgage as herein provided, and the sale and conveyance thereof under an option granted to the lessee of the project, for such price, and at such time as the governing body of the municipality or redevelopment agency may determine, provided, however, that no sale or conveyance of such properties shall ever be made in such manner as to impair the rights or interests of the holder, or holders, of any bonds issued under the authority of this chapter;

(11) Issue revenue bonds to refund, in whole or in part, bonds previously issued by such municipality or redevelopment agency under authority of this chapter;

(12) If so provided in the revenue agreement, terminate the agreement and re-enter or repossess the project upon the default of the contracting party, and operate, lease, or sell the project in such manner as may be authorized or required by the provisions of the revenue agreement or of the resolution or indenture securing the bonds issued for the project; any revenue agreement which includes provision for a conveyance of real estate to the contracting party may be terminated in accordance with the revenue agreement, notwithstanding that such revenue agreement may constitute an equitable mortgage provided that no municipality or redevelopment agency shall have power otherwise to operate any project referred to in this chapter as a business or in any manner whatsoever, and nothing herein authorizes any municipality or redevelopment agency to expend any funds on any project herein described, other than the revenues of such projects, or the proceeds of revenue bonds and notes issued hereunder, or other funds granted to the municipality or redevelopment agency for the purposes herein contemplated, except as may be otherwise permitted by law and except to enforce any right or remedy under any revenue agreement or related agreement for the benefit of the bondholders or for the protection of any security given in connection with a revenue agreement, provided that the public cost of redevelopment of land paid by a city or its redevelopment agency shall not be deemed part of the cost of any project situated on such land;

(13) Invest or deposit, or authorize a trustee to invest or deposit, any money on hand in funds or accounts established in connection with a project or payment of bonds issued therefor, to the extent they are not presently needed for the purposes for which such funds or accounts were created, in accordance with section 471.56, as amended; and

(14) Waive or require the furnishing of a contractors payment and performance bond of the kind described in section 574.26 and if such bond shall be required, then the provisions of chapter 514 relating to liens for labor and materials, shall not be applicable

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in respect of any work done or labor or materials supplied for the project, and if such bond be waived then the said provisions of chapter 514 shall apply in respect of work done or labor or materials supplied for the project.

[1979 c 147 s 2; 1979 c 306 s 12]

474.10 Source of payment for bonds.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. Any municipality or redevelopment agency may request the county auditor of the county in which a project is situated to certify the original taxable value of the real property included therein and the tax increments realized each year after the commencement of the project, as defined in section 462.585, and shall be entitled to receive, use, and pledge such tax increments for the further security of the revenue bonds issued to finance the project, in either of the following ways:

(1) To pay premiums for insurance guaranteeing the payment of net rentals when due under the project lease; or

(2) To accumulate and maintain a reserve securing the payment when due of the principal of and interest on the bonds.

The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a project, certification of which is requested subsequent to August 1, 1979.

Subd. 3. Tax increments with respect to any industrial development project shall be segregated and specially accounted for by the county treasurer until all bonds issued to finance the project have been fully paid; but the county treasurer shall remit the same to the municipality or redevelopment agency only in the amount certified to him to be required for any of the purposes stated in subdivision 2. The amount so needed shall be certified annually to the county auditor and treasurer by the municipality or redevelopment agency on or before October 1. Any tax increment remaining in any year after such remittance shall, when collected, be distributed amounts so levied by them, respectively. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a project, certification of which is requested subsequent to August 1, 1979.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1978]

[1979 c 322 s 23,24]

474.12 Exclusion of interest on bonds from gross income.

Subdivision 1. Interest paid on bonds issued under authority of this chapter shall not be included in gross income for the purpose of computing any tax imposed by or under the provisions of chapter 290, or any act amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto.

Subd. 2. Notwithstanding subdivision 1, the interest paid on bonds issued under authority of this chapter and issued after June 30, 1979 shall be exempt only as provided under section 290.08, subdivision 7, for obligations of the issuing municipality.

[1979 c 306 s 13]

CHAPTER 475. PUBLIC INDEBTEDNESS

Sec. 475.53 Limit on net debt.