

works, or either, of the city as they shall determine to create a sinking fund for the payment of said water and light bonds, or either as they become due.

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CHAPTER 174—H. F. No. 719.

An Act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 8 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1895, relating to the control of city finances auditing claims and issuance of warrants and legalizing same.

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

Section 1. **Auditing of claims and issuance of warrants.**—The Section 78 of Chapter 8 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1895 be, and the same hereby is amended so that the same shall read as follows:

"Section 78. It shall be the duty of the city comptroller or city clerk in auditing and adjusting claims and accounts against the city, to designate and specify upon each claim, demand and account so audited and adjusted, the particular fund out of which the same shall be paid; and no claims whatsoever shall be reported to nor allowed by the city council until the same shall have been audited and adjusted by the city comptroller or clerk, as in this section provided. When so audited and reported to the city council, the same may be passed upon and allowed by the city council at any meeting thereof, duly had and upon the approval of the same by the mayor, as provided by law, a warrant of said city, drawn upon the treasury thereof, signed by the mayor and countersigned by the city clerk or comptroller, shall be issued for such claim or account and delivered to the party entitled thereto. When such warrant is presented to the city treasurer, if there are no funds on hand applicable to the payment thereof, said warrant shall be endorsed "Presented but not paid for want of funds," and thereafter said warrant shall bear interest at six per cent per annum until paid. Provided, further, that all warrants heretofore issued by cities organized under the provisions of Chapter 8 of the General Law for Minnesota for 1895, now outstanding and unpaid, at the time this act shall take effect, which warrants were issued in payment of legal claims against such city, are hereby declared to be the valid and subsisting indebtedness of each such city, respectively issuing the same."

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