

corporation shall have up to and including the 1st day of July, 1913, to adopt a new resolution to extend its corporate existence, and to record the same in the office of the register of deeds of the county where said corporation is located, and secretary of state, and to have the same duly published as provided by law, and upon so doing the extension of the existence of said corporation shall be in all respects legal and valid.

Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 8, 1913.

CHAPTER 214—H. F. No. 667.

An Act authorizing the village council of any village in this state, whose water and light plant is operated and controlled by a "water, light and building commission," to levy a special tax to pay for the cost of operating the village water and light plant in supplying said village with the necessary water for fire protection and street sprinkling and the necessary electric current, or other means of light for lighting the streets and public parks in said village.

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

Section 1. **Five mill tax authorized for paying cost of operating water and lighting plant.**—That the village council or governing body of any incorporated village in this state, whose water and light plant is operated and controlled by a water, light and building commission, is hereby authorized, annually, at the time of levying the general corporation taxes, to levy a special tax not exceeding five mills on each dollar of the taxable property in such village, for the purpose of paying the cost of operating the village water and light plant in supplying such village with the necessary water for fire protection and street sprinkling and the necessary electric current or other means of light, for lighting the streets and public parks in such village.

Sec. 2. **How collected and to be known as water and light fund.**—Such tax shall be known as "the village water and light tax" and shall be levied and collected in same manner as the general corporation taxes, anything in the charter of such village or in any law of this state, which may prohibit the levying of any tax in excess of any specific percentage of the taxable property in such village, to the contrary notwithstanding. When collected, such tax shall be paid into the water and light fund of such village.

Sec. 3. Commission to give council cost of operating plant.—Before making such special tax levy, the water, light and building commission of such village each year, shall at the request of the village council on or before the following first day of August, make and file with the village recorder, (clerk) a statement containing an estimate of the probable cost of supplying such village with the necessary water and light for the ensuing year.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 215—H. F. No. 892.

An Act to authorize any city in the State of Minnesota now or hereafter having more than ten thousand and not more than twenty thousand inhabitants to acquire by gift, devise, purchase, condemnation or otherwise, and to establish, maintain, equip, improve, own and operate hospitals, hospital sites and hospital grounds within the limits of any such city.

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

Section 1. Certain cities authorized to acquire and maintain hospitals.—That any city in the State of Minnesota now or hereafter having more than ten thousand and not more than twenty thousand inhabitants, in addition to all the powers now possessed by such city, is hereby authorized and empowered, acting by and through the council, common council or city council of such city by resolution or ordinance duly adopted or enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all members-elect of such council, common council or city council, to acquire by gift, devise, purchase, condemnation or otherwise, and to establish, maintain, equip, improve, own and operate hospitals, hospital sites and hospital grounds within the limits of any such city.

Sec. 2. How same may be acquired.—That any city mentioned in Section one of this act may acquire by gift, devise, purchase, condemnation or otherwise any property necessary, convenient or desirable for the purpose of establishing, maintaining, equipping, improving, owning and operating any hospital, hospital site or hospital grounds within the limits of such city authorized by Section one (1) of this act.

Sec. 3. Application.—This act shall not include or apply to cities now or hereafter governed under a charter adopted pursuant to Section 36, Article 4, of the constitution of this state, and the several acts of the Legislature authorizing cities to adopt their own charters.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 8, 1913.