

taking of bids for the purchase of merchandise, materials, and supplies.

7. All indexes of, and all bonds and oaths by city officers and employees whose employment as such expired more than six years before such destruction.

8. All records more than ten years old of any commission, kept exclusively for the purpose of determining the amount of pay due the commissioners.

9. All affidavits and expense accounts filed by candidates for political office more than ten years prior thereto.

10. All annual reports by city officers and department heads filed more than ten years prior to such destruction.

11. All miscellaneous receipts, papers, correspondence, carbon copies, work sheets, *data, plans, or plats* more than ten years old and not affecting the title to real estate, *of any planning, engineering, research or administrative agency.*

These records may not be destroyed without the Minnesota Historical Society having first been notified, in writing, at least 60 days prior to the intended destruction, so that the Society may select for safekeeping by it such documents as it deems are of historical interest or value.

Approved April 5, 1955.

CHAPTER 345—H. F. No. 1309

An act relating to railroad crossings; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 219.07.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 219.07 is amended to read:

219.07 Crossings, grades; width in municipalities. Every railroad company shall construct and maintain in good repair and free from snow or other obstruction, wherever any of its lines cross a public road, sufficient crossings, consisting of:

(1) Sufficient grades, extending the full width of the highway or that part thereof graded or used for travel, on each side of the right of way, and of such slope as may be deemed necessary by the officers having charge of the public roads;

(2) A plank covering of the same width, securely spiked, extending the full length of the ties, the planks not more than one inch apart, the flangeways between the planking and the rails not more than *three* inches in width, the surface of the planking on a level with the top of the rails; the flangeway edge of the plank in any such crossing hereafter built shall be suitably faced or otherwise protected with metal, and when any existing crossing is rebuilt or the flangeway planks thereof are renewed, the flangeway edge of such planks shall be similarly faced or protected by metal.

In municipalities such grades and planking shall extend the full width of the street, or of that part thereof graded or used for travel, and like planking shall be placed between all tracks which are not more than 15 feet apart, and a suitable sidewalk shall be constructed by the company to connect with and correspond to the walks constructed and installed by the municipality or by owners of abutting property, but cement or concrete construction shall not be required in track space actually occupied by the railroad ties if some substantial and suitable sidewalk material is used in lieu thereof. In case of roads newly established, such crossings shall be constructed within 30 days after the service on the nearest station agent or section foreman of such company of a notice, signed by the proper officer or officers having charge of such road, that such crossing is required.

Approved April 5, 1955.

CHAPTER 346—H. F. No. 1346

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An act relating to the establishment of Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge; consenting to the transfer of certain property to the United States.

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

Section 1. [1.18] **United States may acquire lands in Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge.** Consent of the State of Minnesota is given to the acquisition by the United States in any manner authorized by act of Congress of lands lying within the original boundaries of the Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge as established by Executive Order No. 7902 dated May 31, 1938 of the President of the United States for any purpose incident to the development or maintenance of that