Lots one to seven (1 to 7), inclusive, block two (2), Hilo Park;

Commencing at a point on the north line of section one (1), township twenty-nine (29), range twenty-four (24), midway between the north west corner of the north east quarter  $(NE_{14})$  of the north west quarter  $(NW_{14})$  of said section one (1) and the west line of Pierce street, thence south to north line of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railroad right-of-way, thence easterly along same to west line of Pierce street, thence north to north line of section one (1), thence west to beginning;

Commencing at a point in north line of section one (1), township twenty-nine (29), range twenty-four (24), midway between the north west corner of the north east quarter of the north west quarter (NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>) of said section one (1), and west line of Pierce street, thence south to north line of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railroad rightof-way, thence westerly along same to west line of said north east quarter of north west quarter (NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>), thence north to north west corner thereof. thence east to beginning, all according to the map and plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the register of deeds in and for Hennepin County, Minnesota.

This conveyance shall be made upon the city filing with the commissioner of taxation its petition therefor, signed by its mayor, and showing that for a number of years said tract of land has been used by the city as a part of a municipal housing project, that substantial amounts of public money have been expended for improvements to this property, including construction of buildings and installation of utilities, and that the city's governing body shall have determined by resolution that the interest of the city and the state is best served by the use or sale of this land and buildings for private purposes or for unrestricted public purposes and operations.

Sec. 2. Appraisal before sale. Property to be sold for private purposes shall be appaised by such method as shall be determined by the City Council and the lots shall be sold individually after published notice, at the appraised price.

Approved April 26, 1957.

CHAPTER 658-H. F. No. 453 [Coded]

An act relating to the granting of right of way easements by the State of Minnesota over certain types of state lands to

## railroads for railroad purposes; and repealing Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 222.02, 222.03.

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

[222.025] Right of way, easements, pro-Section 1. Any railroad company desiring cedure. [Subdivision 1.] a right of way over any state owned land, except tax-forfeited land, may make application therefor to the state agency charged by law with jurisdiction over such land. The application shall be in such form as the state agency to which application must be made prescribes. If such agency, with the approval of the executive council of the State of Minnesota, determines that it is in the public interest that the right of way be granted, the governor shall execute and deliver to such railroad company an instrument in writing conveying an easement for right of way purposes over the land designated by such agency, with the approval of said executive council. Said easement shall continue so long as the land which is subject thereto shall be occupied by the railroad company for railroad purposes. Every such easement shall reserve to the state all minerals and mineral rights of whatever nature, with the right to enter upon said land to explore for such minerals at any time, and the right to enter upon said land to mine and remove the same upon six months' written notice from the state to the railroad company, provided, however, that the state agency shall negotiate for a new location for said railroad right of way, if needed by the railroad, over state land and when a new location has been procured, the railroad company shall promptly move to the new location. If such written notice is given, the railroad company shall, without any cost or obligation to the state, remove its railway and other structures from the land for which the easement was given; and all property, of whatever nature, not removed by said railroad company within said six month period shall become, upon the expiration of said period, the absolute property of the state. Upon the expiration of said period, all right, title and interest of the railroad company in and to such easement shall terminate and revert to the state without the doing of any act by the state except the giving of the aforesaid notice. If such easement ceases to be used by the railroad company for railroad purposes, the interest of the railroad company also shall terminate and revert to the state, without the doing of any act by the state. As the consideration for the granting of such easement by the state, the railroad company shall pay to the state treasurer the fair market value of the land which is subject to the easement, or that amount which is fixed by the constitution and laws of this state as the minimum price for the sale of such land, whichever is greater. No instrument con-

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veying such easement shall be executed by the governor until said amount has been paid to the state. The fair market value shall be determined by the appraisal of the state agency charged by law with jurisdiction over said land, and shall be subject to the approval of said executive council.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] All sums paid to the state under section 1 shall be credited to the state treasurer to the proper fund to which the land belongs.

Sec. 3. **Repealer.** Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 222.02, 222.03, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 26, 1957.

## CHAPTER 659-H. F. No. 468

## [Not Coded]

An act relating to the rate of wages for laborers and mechanics employed on public works of the State of Minnesota and its political subdivisions.

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

Advertised specifications contained in con-Section 1. Subdivision 1. Wages, minimum tracts for public roads. Subject to the provisions of subdivision on public works. 2, the advertised specifications for every contract in excess of \$2,500 for any project contracted by the state of Minnesota, or any project financed in part by federal funds contracted by any political subdivision of the state for construction, alteration, or repair of any highway or public road which requires employment of mechanics or laborers, shall contain a provision stating the minimum wages to be paid each class of laborers and mechanics which provision shall be based upon the wages determined by the industrial commission to be the prevailing wages in the area. Each contract based upon these specifications shall contain a stipulation that the contractor or his subcontractor shall pay each mechanic and each laborer employed directly upon the site of the work, unconditionally and not less often than once a week, without any subsequent deduction or rebate, the net amount of wages after all lawful deductions accrued at time of payment, computed at a wage rate which is not less than the rate stated in the advertised specifications for such class. The scale of wages to be paid shall be posted by the contractor