- (2) To construct, reconstruct, extend and maintain storm and sanitary sewers and systems, including outlets, treatment plants, pumps, lift stations, service connections, and other appurtenances of a sewer system, within and without the corporate limits.
- (3) To construct, reconstruct, extend and maintain steam heating mains.
- (4) To install, replace, extend and maintain street lights and street lighting systems and special lighting systems.
- (5) To construct, reconstruct, extend and maintain water works systems, including mains, valves, hydrants, service connections, wells, pumps, reservoirs, tanks, treatment plants, and other appurtenances of a water works system, within and without the corporate limits.
- (6) To acquire, improve and equip parks, open space areas, playgrounds and recreational facilities within or without the corporate limits.
- (7) To plant trees on streets and provide for their trimming, care and removal.
- (8) To abate nuisances and to drain swamps, marshes and ponds on public or private property and to fill the same.
- (9) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain dikes and other flood control works.
- (10) To construct, reconstruct, extend and maintain retaining walls and area walls.
- (11) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain and promote a pedestrian skyway system.
- (12) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, operate, maintain and promote underground pedestrian concourses.

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CHAPTER 618—H.F.No.2333

An act relating to municipal housing and redevelopment authorities; providing for the renewal of individual parcels; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 462.445, Subdivision 1; and 462.581.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 462.445, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

- 462.445 MUNICIPAL HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT; RENEWAL OF INDIVIDUAL PARCELS. Subdivision 1. SCHED-ULE OF POWERS. An authority shall be a public body corporate and politic and shall have all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of sections 462.415 to 462.711 (but not the power to levy and collect taxes or special assessments except as provided in sections 462.515 to 462.545 with respect to redevelopment projects only) including the following powers in addition to others granted in these sections:
- (1) To sue and be sued; to have a seal, which shall be judicially noticed, and to alter the same at pleasure; to have perpetual succession; and to make, and from time to time to amend and repeal, rules and regulations not inconsistent with these sections;
- (2) To employ an executive director, technical experts, and such officers, agents, and employees, permanent and temporary, as it may require, and determine their qualifications, duties, and compensation; for such legal services as it may require, to call upon the chief law officer of the municipality or to employ its own counsel and legal staff; so far as practicable, to use the services of local public bodies, in its area of operation, such local public bodies, if requested, to make such services available;
- (3) To delegate to one or more of its agents or employees such powers or duties as it may deem proper;
- (4) Within its area of operation to undertake, prepare, carry out, and operate projects and to provide for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, alteration, or repair of any project or part thereof;
- (5) Subject to the provisions of section 462.511, to give, sell, transfer, convey, or otherwise dispose of real or personal property or any interest therein and to execute such leases, deeds, conveyances, negotiable instruments, purchase agreements, and other contracts or instruments, and take such action, as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of these sections;
- (6) Within its area of operation to acquire real or personal property or any interest therein by gifts, grant, purchase, exchange, lease, transfer, bequest, devise, or otherwise, and by the exercise of the power of eminent domain, in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes 1945, Chapter 117, and any amendments thereof or supplements thereto, to acquire real property which it may deem necessary for its purposes under these sections, after the adoption by it of a

resolution declaring that the acquisition of the real property is necessary to eliminate one or more of the conditions found to exist in the resolution adopted pursuant to section 462.425.

- (7) Within its area of operation, and without the adoption of an urban renewal plan, to acquire, other than by the exercise of the power of eminent domain and without the adoption of a resolution provided for in section 462.445, subdivision 1, clause (6), real property, and to demolish, remove, rehabilitate or reconstruct the buildings and improvements or construct new buildings and improvements thereon, or to grade, fill and construct foundations or otherwise prepare the site for improvements, and to dispose of said property pursuant to section 462.525, provided that the provisions of section 462.525 requiring conformance to an urban renewal plan shall not apply, and to finance such activities by means of the redevelopment project fund or by means of tax increments or tax increment bonds or by the methods of financing provided for in section 462.545 or by means of contributions from the municipality provided for in section 462.581, clause (9), or by any combination of such means; provided that, real property with buildings or improvements thereon shall only be acquired when the buildings or improvements are sub-standard. For the purpose of this subparagraph, sub-standard buildings or improvements mean buildings or improvements that are dilapidated or obsolescent, faultily designed, lack adequate ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities, or any combination of these or other factors that are detrimental to the safety or health of the community.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 462.581, is amended to read:
- 462.581 MUNICIPALITY, POWERS AS TO PROJECTS. For the purpose of aiding and cooperating in the planning, undertaking, construction, or operation of housing and redevelopment projects of housing authorities located within the area in which an authority is authorized to act, any state public body may upon such terms, with or without consideration, as it may determine:
- (1) Dedicate, sell, convey, or lease any of its interests in any property, or grant easements, licenses, or any other rights or privileges therein to an authority. Except in cities of the first class having a population of less than 200,000, the public body may pay the bonds of or make loans or contributions for redevelopment projects, and the receipt or expenditure of any moneys expended hereunder by such state public body shall not be included within the definition of any limitation imposed on per capita taxing or spending in the charter of such state public body; provided that no state public body may use any revenues or money of that state public body to pay the bonds of or make any loans or contributions to any public housing project; except that,

- (i) This proviso shall not be applicable to any public low-rent housing project for which financial assistance is provided by the federal government or any agency or instrumentality thereof which requires a municipality or other local public body to use its revenues or money for a direct loan or grant to such project as a condition for federal financial assistance where such local financial assistance for such project is authorized by a vote of the people on a referendum on the question conducted in accordance with referendum requirements of section 462.465, subdivision 2.
- (2) Cause parks, playgrounds, recreational, community, education, water, sewer or drainage facilities, or any other works which it is otherwise empowered to undertake, to be furnished adjacent to or in connection with such projects;
- (3) Approve (through its governing body or through an agency designated by it for the purpose) redevelopment plans, plan or replan, zone or rezone its parks; in the case of a city or town, make changes in its map; the governing body of any municipality may waive any building code requirements in connection with the development of projects;
- (4) Cause services to be furnished to the authority of the character which it is otherwise empowered to furnish;
- (5) Enter into agreements with respect to the exercise by it of its powers relating to the repair, closing, or demolition of unsafe, unsanitary or unfit buildings;
- (6) Do any and all things necessary or convenient to aid and cooperate in the planning, undertaking, construction, or operation of such projects;
- (7) Incur the entire expense of any public improvements made by it in exercising the powers granted in sections 462.415 to 462.711; and
- (8) Enter into agreements (which may extend over any period, notwithstanding any provision or rule of law to the contrary) with an authority respecting action to be taken by the state public body pursuant to any of the powers granted by sections 462.415 to 462.711.
- (9) Furnish funds available to it from any source, including the proceeds of bonds, to an authority to pay all or any part of the cost to the authority of the activities authorized by section 462.445, subdivision 1, clause (7).

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