

quarter of the southwest quarter of section 4, sections 5 to 7 inclusive, the north three-fourths, the south one-half of the southeast quarter of section 8, sections 9 to 17 inclusive, the north one-half of the northwest quarter of section 18 of township 163 north, range 39 west; sections 1 to 12 inclusive, the west one-half of section 13, sections 14 to 18 inclusive, the north three-fourths, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 22, the west one-half, the north one-half of the northeast quarter, the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 23 of township 163 north, range 38 west; government lots 1 and 2 of the northeast quarter, the northwest quarter of section 5, section 6 of township 163 north, range 37 west; all west of the 5th principal meridian.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved May 14, 1987

CHAPTER 138—H.F.No. 867

An act relating to local improvements; authorizing the levy of special assessments for highway sound barriers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 429.011, by adding a subdivision; and 429.021, subdivision 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 429.011, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 15. "Highway sound barriers" means sound abatement walls erected along highways to reduce noise levels attributable to vehicular traffic.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 429.021, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED.** The council of a municipality shall have power to make the following improvements:

(1) To acquire, open, and widen any street, and to improve the same by constructing, reconstructing, and maintaining sidewalks, pavement, gutters, curbs, and vehicle parking strips of any material, or by grading, graveling, oiling, or otherwise improving the same, including the beautification thereof and including storm sewers or other street drainage and connections from sewer, water or similar mains to curb lines.

(2) To acquire, develop, construct, reconstruct, extend and maintain storm and sanitary sewers and systems, including outlets, holding areas and ponds, treatment plants, pumps, lift stations, service connections, and other appurtenances of a sewer system, within and without the corporate limits.

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(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 acquire, improve, 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. Such improvement may be made upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031, subdivision 3.

(12) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, operate, maintain and promote underground pedestrian concourses.

(13) To acquire, construct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain and promote public malls, plazas or courtyards.

(14) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain district heating systems.

(15) To construct, reconstruct, alter, extend, operate, maintain and promote fire protection systems in existing buildings, but only upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031, subdivision 3.

(16) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, and maintain highway sound barriers.

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