

H. F. No. 637.

Public streets
and places in
cities of over
50,000.

CHAPTER 171.

An act authorizing cities having more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants, acting by and through the board of park commissioners of such city, to cause suitable shade trees to be planted along and upon any street or public ground, and to levy a special assessment therefor.

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

Park com-
mission may
lay out trees,
assessment for

SECTION 1. The board of park commissioners in any city in said state having more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants may, upon the petition of a majority of the owners of property fronting upon any street, or any portion of any street not less than one (1) block in length, at its discretion, cause suitable shade trees to be planted along or upon any street or alley or any portion thereof, and upon any public grounds in said city, and may cause to be assessed upon the piece or parcel of land abutting upon such street, alley or public ground and benefited by such improvement, the cost of purchasing and planting such trees, together with such sum as may be deemed necessary for the purpose of properly caring for such trees, for the period of three (3) years after such planting; the sum so assessed shall not be greater than twelve and one-half (12½) cents per front foot upon any piece or parcel of land, and any tree dying within three (3) years after having been planted by said board of park commissioners shall be replaced by said board without additional assessment.

Assessment
for trees, how
made.

SEC. 2. Said board shall, by resolution, direct the amount to be assessed against each piece or parcel of land, and said assessment shall be deemed to include all pieces or parcels of land benefited, and the secretary of said board shall, on or before the first (1st) day of October of each year transmit to the auditor of the county in which said city is located a certified copy of all such resolutions not previously certified to said county auditor, and said county auditor shall extend the assessments in proper columns against pieces or parcels assessed, and such assessment shall be collected and the payment thereof enforced in a like manner as state and county taxes are collected, and the payment of such assessment when collected shall be paid over by the county treasurer to the treasurer of such city, to be placed by him to the credit of the park fund of such city.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 11, 1899.