

*Provided*, that this shall be in full settlement of all claims.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage

Approved April 18, 1899.

## CHAPTER 279.

H. F. No. 600.

*An act providing for the purchase of land by cities having fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants or more, to be used for the purposes of public parks, where the quantity of land so sought to be appropriated exceeds fifteen (15) acres, and providing for the condemnation of the same to park purposes, and for making compensation therefor.*

Public park  
in cities of  
50,000.

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

SECTION 1. That cities having a population of fifty thousand (50,000) or more be and the same are, in addition to all powers now possessed, hereby authorized and empowered by a two-thirds (3) vote of their respective councils, and the concurrence of the board of park commissioners of such cities, to purchase lands for public parks containing more than fifteen (15) acres and to pay for the same out of any money in the public treasury not otherwise appropriated; *provided*, the amount of moneys so expended in any one (1) year shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, which sum shall be included in the tax levy either for a single year, or may be divided into four (4) equal parts and be included in the tax levy for the four (4) succeeding years as the common council shall determine, but no contract or expenditure under this act shall be made for any public park while compensation for the land previously purchased for a public park remains unpaid.

Empowered  
to purchase  
lands for  
parks upon  
two-thirds  
vote of coun-  
cil and con-  
currence of  
park board.

Not to expend  
over \$50,000 a  
year; tax levy  
for.

SEC. 2. Cities having fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants or more may, in addition to all powers now possessed, acquire lands for public parks that shall contain more than fifteen (15) acres by condemnation proceedings, and in acquiring such lands for such parks shall proceed in the same manner now provided by law for the acquisition of rights of way by corporations having the franchise of way for public use, and the damages sustained by the owners of land so appropriated to public use as public parks containing more than fifteen (15) acres shall be

Empowered  
to acquire  
parks by con-  
demnation.  
Cost to be  
paid by city,  
not exceeding  
\$50,000 per  
year.

paid by the city so appropriating the same out of any money in the treasury of said city not otherwise appropriated, but the money so appropriated and used in any one (1) year shall not exceed fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, and the amount so appropriated shall be included in the tax levy for the succeeding year or be divided into four (4) parts, and included in the tax levy for the four (4) succeeding years, in the discretion of the city council of the city so appropriating said money. This act is an additional grant of power and shall not be construed as repealing any special or general law now existing.

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

Approved April 18, 1899.

H. F. No. 40.

## CHAPTER 280.

Cities empowered to sprinkle streets and public grounds

*An act to amend chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to authorize all cities of the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) and not less than fifteen thousand (15,000) inhabitants to sprinkle its streets, lanes, alleys, avenues and public grounds, and to assess the cost thereof on abutting property."*

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

Sec. 1, c. 50, Laws 1897, amended.

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended so as to read as follows:

Applies to cities of not more than 50,000 nor less than 15,000.

Section 1. All cities in the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants are hereby authorized to and shall have power to sprinkle the streets, lanes, alleys, avenues and public grounds of such city, or any part thereof, and may make contracts for so sprinkling the same in accordance with this act, on such terms and conditions as its city council may deem best.

Sec. 2, c. 50, Laws 1897, amended.

SEC. 2. That section two (2) of chapter fifty (50) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended to read as follows:

Empowered to sprinkle.

Sec. 2. All cities in the State of Minnesota having no more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants are hereby authorized to levy assessments for sprinkling its streets,