

H. F. No. 84.

## CHAPTER 22

*An act authorizing cities to accept, acquire and hold property by gift, grant or devise, and to manage and control the same.*

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

Cities  
authorized  
to accept  
gifts, etc.

SECTION 1. Any incorporated city in the State of Minnesota, now or hereafter organized, shall have the power, and it is hereby authorized to accept, take, acquire the title to, and hold by gift, grant or devise, any real property situate within the limits of such city, together with the buildings thereon and personal property furnishing or equipping the same, which may be to it given, devised, granted or in any manner conveyed or transferred by any person or corporation having a right to so dispose of the same.

For use and  
benefit of  
city.

Any such city shall also have the power and is hereby authorized to hold, manage, control, maintain and preserve such property, for the use and benefit of such city and the residents thereof, in such manner, and upon such terms and conditions, and with such restrictions, and for such purposes, other than those of a purely religious or sectarian character, as may be stated or provided in the instruments or instrument by which such property is so conveyed or transferred to such city.

Acceptance.

SEC. 2. Before any such conveyance or transfer shall become operative or the title to such property vested in such city, a resolution reciting and accepting the terms, conditions, restrictions and purposes thereof as aforesaid shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the city council of such city at a meeting thereof, and be approved by the mayor thereof, and recorded in full in the official records of the meetings of said council.

Public  
property.

Such resolution so adopted, approved and recorded shall constitute upon the part of such city an acceptance of such terms, conditions, restrictions and purposes, and shall be a valid contract between such city and the donor of such property, his heirs, or successors or assigns.

SEC. 3. Such property shall for all purposes and so long as the title thereto remains in such city be held to be

property owned by such city and used exclusively for public purposes, and shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1903.

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CHAPTER 23.

H. F. No. 115.

*An act to amend Chapter 346, General Laws of 1901, entitled "An act to determine the descent of real estate in certain cases and to assign the same and make a record thereof."*

Descent of  
real estate.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 346, General Laws of 1901, is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows :

Section 1. Whenever it shall appear by the petition of any person, claiming any interest in real property, to the probate court of any county, wherein said real property or any part thereof is situated, that more than five years have passed since the death of any person who died owning said real property or some interest therein, and that no will has been probated and no administration granted in this state upon the estate of such decedent, it shall be the duty of the probate court to issue its order for hearing on such petition, and the same shall be served and published as provided by law for the service and publication of notice for hearing of petitions for final decrees in said court, and such petitions shall be heard in like manner with the petitions for such final decrees.

Petition of  
person  
claiming  
interest.

Order for  
hearing,  
service and  
publication.

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

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