CHAPTER 228.

POWERS OF CITIES OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH CLASSES.

An Act granting additional power to cities of the second, third and fourth classes, giving such municipalities power to exact bonds from persons or corporations obtaining franchises, and providing for the appointment and confirmation of boards of park commissioners by the mayor and council, authorizing the levy of a tax for park purposes, and giving city councils the power to annex territory for park or other municipal purposes and providing for the selection of the mayor in the case of a vacancy.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington.

Section 1. That city councils in the cities of the second, third and fourth class, shall have the right, and they are hereby authorized to require a bond in a reasonable amount from persons or corporations obtaining franchises from such cities, conditioned for the faithful performance of the conditions and terms of the franchise, and providing a recovery on such bond in case of a failure of such person or corporation, failing to perform the conditions and terms of such franchise.

Section 2. That city councils of cities of the second, third and fourth class, are authorized to provide by ordinances, for a board of park commissioners, not to exceed three in number, and to be appointed by the mayor, and to serve during his pleasure, provided that such board shall serve without compensation. Such board of park commissioners shall have control and supervision of all parks belonging to such city and shall have power to prescribe rules and regulations for the government and management thereof, and which rules and regulations shall be enforced by the police department of the city.

Section 3. City councils of the cities of the second, third and fourth class are hereby authorized and empowered to levy a tax not to exceed one mill on all taxable property for the purpose of maintaining and improving any park or parks, or the purchase thereof for any such town or city. That the proceeds of such levy shall be paid into a special
fund, to be known as the Park Fund, and the disbursement of such fund shall be provided for by ordinance.

Sec. 4. City councils of the cities of the second, third and fourth class, shall and they are hereby authorized and empowered to annex new territory for park, cemetery or other municipal purpose, which may be outside of the city limits of such city, whether contiguous or noncontiguous thereto by ordinance enacted by a majority vote of such council.

Sec. 5. In case of a vacancy occurring in the office of the mayor in a city of the second, third or fourth class, the city council be and it is hereby empowered and authorized, and it shall be its duty to elect a mayor to serve the unexpired term.

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CHAPTER 229.

[H. B. 471.]

AMENDING ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PRINTING IN COUNTIES.

AN ACT amending section 371 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, relating to public printing in counties.

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

SECTION 1. That section 371 of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, be, and the same is, hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 371. It shall be the duty of the county auditor, at least five weeks before, and not more than eight weeks before the meeting of the county commissioners at the May term, to advertise for proposals for the public printing, for the term of one year, which advertisement shall be inserted for four (4) consecutive weeks in the official newspaper of the county, or if there be no official newspaper, then in some newspaper adjacent to said county, having a general circulation in