

touching any shares of stock of any corporation standing in her name, shall be valid and binding without the signature of her husband the same as if she were unmarried.

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Passed the Senate February 23, 1927.

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CHAPTER 207.

[H. B. 234.]

POWERS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS OF THE FOURTH CLASS.

AN ACT relating to the powers of municipal corporations of the fourth class, to levy and collect taxes and license certain kinds of business, amending Section 154 of an act entitled "An Act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency." Approved March 27, 1890, and repealing certain acts and parts of acts.

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

Statutes amended.

SECTION 1. That section 154, of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890, Laws of 1889-90, pages 201-202, (as amended by section 1, of chapter 159 of the Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1925, pages 449-453; section 9175 of Remington's Compiled Statutes; section 837 of Pierce's 1919 Code) be amended to read as follows:

Powers of council.

Section 154. The council of said town shall have power:

Ordinances.

1. To pass ordinances not in conflict with the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States;

2. To purchase, lease or receive such real estate and personal property as may be necessary or proper for municipal purposes, and to control, dispose of and convey the same for the benefit of the town:
Provided, That they shall not have power to sell or convey any portion of any waterfront;

To acquire
and dispose
of property.

May not sell
waterfront.

3. To contract for supplying the town with water for municipal purposes, or to acquire, construct, repair and manage pumps, aqueducts, reservoirs, or other works necessary or proper for supplying water for use of such town or its inhabitants, or for irrigating purposes therein;

Water.

4. To establish, build and repair bridges; to establish, lay out, alter, widen, extend, keep open, improve, and repair streets, sidewalks, alleys, squares and other public highways and places within the town, and to drain, sprinkle and light the same; to remove all obstructions therefrom; to establish the grades thereof; to grade, pave, plank, macadamize, gravel and curb the same, in whole or in part, and to construct gutters, culverts, sidewalks and crosswalks therein, or on any part thereof; to cause to be planted, set out and cultivated trees therein, and generally to manage and control all such highways and places;

Bridges,
streets, etc.

5. To establish, construct and maintain drains and sewers, and shall have power to compel all property owners on streets along which sewers shall have been constructed to make proper connections therewith, and to use the same for proper purposes when such property is improved by the erection thereon of a building or buildings; and in case the owners of such improved property on such streets shall fail to make such connections within the time fixed by such council, they may cause such connections to be made, and to assess against the property in front of which such connections are made the costs and expenses thereof;

Drains and
sewers.

Fire extinguishment.

6. To provide fire engines and all other necessary or proper apparatus for the prevention and extinguishment of fires;

Street poll tax.

7. To impose on, and collect from, every male inhabitant between the ages of twenty-one and fifty years, an annual street poll tax not to exceed two dollars, and no other road poll tax shall be collected within the limits of such town, and that said poll tax may be paid in labor on said streets at the rate of two dollars per day;

Dog tax.

8. To impose and collect an annual license not exceeding two dollars on every dog allowed to run at large within the limits of the town, and to provide for the killing of all dogs found at large and not duly licensed;

Property tax.

9. To levy and collect annually a property tax, for the payment of current expenses, not exceeding fifteen mills on the dollar; a tax for the payment of indebtedness (if any indebtedness exists) not exceeding six mills on the dollar of the assessed value of all real and personal property within such town: *Provided*, That if the qualified electors of any such town shall, at a special election to be held for that purpose, vote in favor of a larger levy for the payment of current expenses than fifteen mills on the dollar of assessed valuation, such larger levy for such purposes may be made accordingly;

License taxes.

10. To license, for purposes of regulation and revenue, all and every kind of business, authorized by law and transacted and carried on in such town; and all shows, exhibitions and lawful games carried on therein and within one mile of the corporate limits thereof; to fix the rate of license tax upon the same, and to provide for the collection of the same, by suit or otherwise; to regulate, restrain, or prohibit the running at large of any and all domestic animals within the city limits, or any part or parts

thereof, and to regulate the keeping of such animals within any part of the city; to establish, maintain and regulate a common pound for estrays, and to appoint a poundkeeper, who shall be paid out of the fines and fees imposed on, and collected from, the owners of any impounded stock;

11. To improve the rivers and streams flowing through such town or adjoining the same; to widen, straighten and deepen the channels thereof, and to remove obstructions therefrom; to prevent the pollution of streams or water running through such town, and for this purpose shall have jurisdiction for two miles in either direction; to improve the waterfront of the town, and to construct and maintain embankments and other works to protect such town from overflow;

12. To erect and maintain buildings for municipal purposes;

13. To permit, under such restrictions as they may deem proper, the laying of railroad track and the running of cars drawn by horses, steam, electricity or other power thereon; and the laying of gas and water pipes in the public streets; and to construct and maintain and to permit the construction and maintenance of telegraph, telephone and electric lines therein; and to grant and extend to any person, firm or corporation, both public and private, under such terms and conditions and for such purposes as it may see fit, franchises, permits and rights of way to construct, maintain and operate surface, underground and aerial tramways, and other means of conveyance, over, above, across, upon and along its streets, highways and alleys;

14. To punish the keepers and inmates and lessors of houses of ill fame, and keepers and lessors of gambling houses and rooms and other places where gambling is carried on or permitted, gamblers and keepers of gambling tables;

River improvement.

Municipal buildings.

Tracks,
pipes, wires.

Prohibit
prostitution
and
gambling.

*Penalties for
ordinance
violations.*

15. To impose fines, penalties and forfeitures for any and all violations of ordinances, and for any breach or violation of any ordinance, to fix the penalty by fine or imprisonment, or both; but no such fine shall exceed three hundred dollars, nor the term of imprisonment exceed three months;

Prison labor. 16. To cause all persons imprisoned for violation of any ordinance to labor on the streets or other public property or works within the town;

*General
welfare
ordinances.*

17. To make all such ordinances, by-laws, rules, regulations and resolutions not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Washington, as may be deemed expedient to maintain the peace, good government and welfare of the town and its trade, commerce and manufactures, and to do and perform any and all other acts and things necessary or proper to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

*Statutes
repealed.*

*Saving
clause.*

SEC. 2. That chapter XXXII of the Laws of 1895, pages 50-53, and section 1, chapter 159 of the Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1925, pages 449-453, are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That such repeal shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any act done, or of any taxes levied, or licenses issued, under the provisions of said acts repealed but such taxes shall be collected in the manner provided by law and such licenses shall continue in force, unless revoked in the manner provided by law, until their expiration, as provided in said acts repealed.

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