

CHAPTER 195.

[S. B. 28.]

PLATTING, SUBDIVISION AND DEDICATION OF LAND.

AN ACT relating to platting, subdivision, and dedication of land; and amending sections 58.16.020, 58.16.060, and 58.16.090, R.C.W.

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

Amendment. SECTION 1. Section 58.16.020, R.C.W., as derived from section 2, chapter 186, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Each plat, subdivision, or dedication, before any of its lots or tracts may be sold or offered for sale, shall be submitted for approval to the legislative or planning authority having jurisdiction thereof, and no sale or offer for sale shall be made until it has the written approval of such authority shown thereon or attached thereto and until it is filed for record with the auditor and a copy thereof shall be immediately furnished to the assessor of the county in which the land is located.

Planning authority must approve plat, etc., before lots may be offered or sold.

Filing for record.

[Am. Rem. Supp. § 9304-2.]

Amendment. SEC. 2. Section 58.16.060, R.C.W., as derived from section 7, chapter 186, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

The city, town, or county authority shall inquire into the public use and interest proposed to be served by the establishment of the plat, subdivision, or dedication. It shall see that appropriate provision is made in the plat or subdivision for streets and other public ways, parks, and playgrounds, and shall consider all other facts deemed by it relevant and designed to indicate whether or not the public interest will be served by the platting, subdividing, or dedication. If it finds that the plat, subdivision, or dedication makes appropriate provision for streets and other public ways, parks, and playgrounds, and that the public use and interest will be served by

Inquiry as to public use and interest.

the platting, subdividing, or dedication, then it shall execute its written approval which shall be suitably inscribed on the plat, subdivision, or dedication. Upon compliance with the provisions of sections 58.08.030 and 58.08.040 the plat, subdivision, or dedication shall be eligible for filing with the auditor of the county in which the land is located, and thenceforth it shall be known as an authorized plat, subdivision, or dedication of the land. The original shall be filed with the county auditor and two copies with the county assessor, one of which shall be forwarded by the assessor to the state tax commission.

Authority to inscribe approval on plat.

Eligibility for filing.

Authorized plat.

Filing.

[Am. Rem. Supp. § 9304-7.]

[R.C.W. 58.08.030 is R.R.S. § 9290; R.C.W. 58.08.040 is R.R.S. § 9291.]

SEC. 3. Section 58.16.090, R.C.W., as derived from section 10, chapter 186, Laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

The county auditor shall refuse to accept for filing any plat, subdivision, or dedication until approval thereof has been given by the appropriate city, town, or county authority. Should a plat, subdivision, or dedication be filed without approval, the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the plat is filed shall apply for a writ of mandate to the superior court in the name of and on behalf of the city, town, or county authority required to approve, requiring the auditor and assessor to remove from their files or records the plat, subdivision, or dedication. The costs of the action shall be taxed against the auditor.

Auditor shall not accept unapproved plat.

Unapproved plat filed; prosecutor to seek writ of mandate to remove from record.

Costs.

[Am. Rem. Supp. § 9304-10.]

Passed the Senate January 31, 1951.

Passed the House March 6, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1951.