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public places or of any land over which any right of way has been obtained, or granted for any purpose of public travel by means of any kind of work, improvement or repair mentioned in this charter, subject to the provisions and limitations contained in this charter, and in the constitution of the State of Oregon. No street, highway, avenue or alley or public grounds shall be vacated, except for public purposes, or for the purpose of replatting or to aid in opening, widening or extending some street, highway, avenue or alley; provided, that the council may, in their discretion, and by at least a three-fourths vote of all the members of the council, and upon the approval of the mayor, and in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Oregon, vacate any street or alley for manufacturing, railroad and similar purposes; provided, however, that nothing herein contained, shall affect the power of the council to make vacation of plats, or any part thereof, as provided by the laws of the State of Oregon. The council shall not allow or permit the erection of any house, booth, building, or stand, or like structure, in any street, avenue, or alley within the limits of the city; provided, this section shall not apply to drinking fountains or monuments.

13. To provide for lighting the streets, public grounds, buildings and places, and furnishing the city with electricity, gas or other lights, by contract or by means of its own plant, subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this charter, and the constitution of the State of Oregon.

14. To provide by ordinance for securing the payment of wages to mechanics and other employes in the service of contractors engaged in doing work of any kind for the city, either by exacting bonds from such contractors or otherwise as may seem most advisable.

15. To provide for furnishing the city with water, as elsewhere in this charter provided.

16. To provide a seal for the city and a seal for the municipal court of the city.

17. To establish and regulate the fees and compensation of all officers of the city, except when expressly provided by this charter, and for all official services not otherwise provided for in this charter.

18. To fix a schedule of fees for establishing grades, surveying and marking the boundaries of streets, lots or blocks, granting permits for the opening of street surfaces, grading streets, laying sidewalks, the erection and inspection of buildings and plumbing fixtures therein.

19. To fix by ordinance the hours during which all offices and departments shall be kept open for business.

Finance and Revenue Powers.
20. The council has power and authority within the City of St. Johns to assess, levy and collect taxes upon all property, both real and personal, not exempt from taxation. The council shall levy the amount of taxes necessary to provide for the payment during the fiscal year of all properly authorized demands upon the treasury, but such levy, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the interest accruing during the year on the bonded indebtedness of the city shall not exceed for all other purposes the rate of five (5) mills on each dollar of valuation of the property assessed. Such levy shall be made by ordinance and certified to the county clerk of Multnomah County within the time provided by law.

21. To appropriate monthly to pay the debts, liabilities and expenditures of the city or any part or item thereof.

Powers Relating to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
22. To make regulations to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases into the city, and to remove persons afflicted with such diseases therefrom to suitable hospitals provided by the city for that purpose, which hospitals may be within or without said city; and to provide and to regulate such hospitals; to secure the protection of persons and property therein, and to provide for the health, cleanliness, ornament, peace and good order of the city.

23. To prevent and remove nuisances and to declare what shall constitute the same, and to punish persons committing or suffering nuisances, and to provide the manner of their removal, and to make the cost of such removal a lien upon the property where such nuisances existed; and to fill up or drain any lots, blocks or parcels of land where any stagnant water stands, and to declare the same a nuisance, and to make the cost of filling up or draining the same a lien upon the property so filled or drained. Such liens may upon the order of the council be entered in the docket of city liens and thereafter collected in the same manner as assessments for street improvements, or may be collected in such manner as the council may direct.

24. To regulate, restrain and to provide for the exclusion from the city, or any part thereof, of stockyards, tanneries, slaughter houses, wash houses and laundries and all other offensive trades, occupations or businesses.

25. To regulate the plumbing, drainage and sewerage of buildings and the use of steam boilers and steam generators; to provide for the registration of plumbers and stationary engineers; to create the offices and define the duties of plumbing inspector, and of boiler inspector.

26. To compel all persons erecting or maintaining privies or cess-pools within one hundred feet of any street in which a sewer has or may hereafter be constructed, to connect the same therewith; provided, that in cases where blocks are more than two hundred feet in width, this authority shall extend to the center of the block.

27. To regulate the construction, care, use and management of hotels, tenement houses, lodging houses and cellars in the City of St. Johns for the better protection of the lives and health of the inmates dwelling therein, and of others.

28. To regulate and to provide for and determine the number and size of places of entrance and exit from all theaters, public halls, places of amusement, churches and other buildings used for public gatherings and the modes of hanging doors thereat.

29. To prevent and prohibit the erection of dangerous and unsafe buildings, and to cause the removal or tearing down of the same wherever situated.

30. To prevent the erection or moving of buildings within the city limits which shall be dangerous to the passers-by or to the adjacent property or an obstruction to public travel; and in case any building or structure shall become dangerous to passers-by, the council shall have power to cause the same to be removed or made safe at the expense of the property upon five days' notice to the owner thereof or his agent, and to determine by resolution when the same is dangerous. Such expense shall be made a lien upon the property. Such liens may upon the order of the council be entered in the docket of city liens and thereafter collected in the same manner as assessments for street improvements or may be collected in such other manner as the council may direct.

31. To define the fire limits and to prohibit the erection or repair of wooden buildings within the fire limits; to regulate the height, construction, inspection and repair of all private and public buildings within the city; and to create the office and define the duties of building inspector; to establish sidewalk districts and to determine the character of sidewalks in any of said districts and to specify the time at the expiration of which all sidewalks shall be of a specified character.

32. To require adequate fire escapes, apparatus and appliances, for protection against fire, to be provided in buildings.

33. To regulate or prevent the storage, manufacture and sale of dangerous, explosive, or combustible materials, including gunpowder, dynamite, giant powder, calcium carbide, nitroglycerine, oil, and gas, and to provide for the inspection of the same; to prevent by all proper means all risks of injury or damage by fire arising from negligence or otherwise.

34. To regulate the transportation of gunpowder, dynamite, nitroglycerine and other combustible and explosives through the streets of the city.

35. To regulate and prohibit the use of all guns, pistols and firearms, missile weapons, fireworks, firecrackers, bombs and detonators of all descriptions.

36. To regulate and prevent public criers, advertising notices, steam whistles, the ringing of bells and playing of bands.

37. To regulate, prevent and prohibit the erection, maintenance or display of sign boards and bill boards, and of signs, posters or other advertisements, or advertising matter which are offensive, improper, unsightly, indecent, lascivious or obscene upon, along or near the sidewalks, streets or public places.

38. To regulate and prohibit the exhibition and hanging of banners and placards or flags in or across the street or from houses or other buildings.

39. To regulate or prohibit the driving of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and other animals and livestock through the streets.

40. To regulate and restrain the keeping of all domestic animals and to prevent any and all domestic animals from running at large within the city or any part thereof, and to punish those who allow animals so to run; to provide for the impounding of the same and also to provide for the sale of such animals upon five days' notice.

41. To regulate and restrain the keeping and the running at large of dogs; to punish those persons who allow their dogs to be unlicensed or to run at large against the regulations established, and to provide for the impounding of dogs and for the killing of the same when kept against such regulations, or on which no license has been obtained or tax paid as provided by the council.

42. To protect the public from injury by runaways by punishing persons who leave horses or carriages in the streets without being fastened.

43. To require all railways and railroads to provide proper fenders and other safety appliances and the latest and most approved machinery and methods for their cars and tracks and the operation thereof for the protection of human life and the lessening of danger thereto and to enforce such regulations by such fines and penalties as may be prescribed by ordinance.

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