

[No. 100, S.]

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CHAPTER 206.

AN ACT to amend section sixteen, of subchapter six of chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the laws of 1874, entitled an act to revise, consolidate and amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, approved February 20, 1853, and the several acts amendatory thereof, approved March 10, 1874.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section sixteen of subchapter six, of chapter one hundred and eighty-four, of the laws of 1874, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "appeal" at the end of the proviso in said section, the following: and provided also, that if the common council of said city shall, at any time before the city has actually entered upon and appropriated the property to the use for which it is proposed to be taken, by resolution determine and declare that the cost of the property proposed to be taken, whether ascertained by the board of public works or by the court, on appeal in any case from the decision of said board, is unreasonably great or so large as to be burdensome and injurious to the owners of property assessed for benefits thereby, or that for any reason the taking of any property so proposed to be taken for public use is inexpedient, it shall be lawful for the common council to direct that the proceedings for taking any or all of such property be abandoned, and thereupon and thereafter such property, or the part thereof for the taking of which the proceedings are so abandoned, shall be and remain private property the same as if no such proceedings had been instituted for the purpose of taking the same for public use, and the expenses of such proceeding, so abandoned, shall be paid by the said city, out of the fund of the ward or of the wards in which such property is situated: and provided further, that no such abandonment of any proceedings shall in any way hinder or prevent other and subsequent proceedings to take the same property, or any part of it, for the same or any other public use for which it may be taken by law: provided further, that no proceedings for taking property shall be abandoned by virtue of this act, except within thirty days after the time when the amount of the assessment of damages and benefits in respect to such property shall have been confirmed by said council, as provided in section thirteen of subchapter six, of chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the laws of 1874.

Common council may direct abandonment of proceedings.

Abandonment not to interfere with subsequent proceedings to take property.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 207.

AN ACT to amend section six hundred and seventy of the revised statutes, relating to special powers of the county board.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Dock and
wharf lines.

SECTION 1. Section six hundred and seventy of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding thereto subdivision twelve, which shall read as follows, to-wit: 12. To establish dock or wharf lines upon navigable waters in counties wherein there is no incorporated city or village; but such county board shall not have power to alter or discontinue such dock or wharf lines.

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

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CHAPTER 208.

AN ACT relating to the duties of clerks of the board of public works of the city of Milwaukee.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Duty of clerk
of board.

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of any clerk of the board of public works of the city of Milwaukee to perform such service as the said board may by its rules prescribe; and when said board shall require any such clerk to sign or certify to an official document issued by said board, his signature shall have the same force and effect as the signature of the secretary.

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

Approved March 25, 1881.