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CHAPTER 181.

AN ACT to provide for dividing cities of the third and fourth class, operating under special charters, into park districts, and for levying and collecting a district tax to improve and maintain public parks therein.

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

SECTION 1. In every city of the third and City may be fourth class in this state, operating under a spective or more cial charter, the common council may by a vote districts. of three-fourths of all the members elect, divide the same into two or more park districts, by an ordinance duly made, passed and enacted for that purpose.

The said ordinance shall clearly Publication SECTION 2. define the boundaries and limits of each park of ordinance district created thereby, and shall be introduced same. at a regular meeting of the common council. Upon the introduction of such ordinance, the city clerk shall, before the passage of the same, cause it to be published at least once in the official paper of the city, or if there shall be no official paper in the city, in some other paper printed and published therein; and the same shall not be passed except at a regular meeting of the council.

SECTION 3. When any city shall have been Taxes may be divided into park districts as provided in the levied in each preceding two sections, the common council may, park purposes. annually, by a vote of three-fourths of all the members elect, levy and cause to be collected, a tax upon the taxable property in any district so created, the same to be collected as other general taxes are collected; but which said tax shall not exceed, in any year, one mill on the dollar on all property, real or personal, subject to taxation in

said district, the same to constitute a fund for the improvement of and maintaining of public parks in said park district.

Park fund, bow disbursed. SECTION 4. The said fund shall be kept by the city treasurer separate from other funds of the city, and shall be used only for the purpose of improving and maintaining public parks in said park district, and shall be paid out by the treasurer only on orders drawn on him by the proper city officers, to cover the expense of maintaining or improving said parks.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publica-

tion.

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CHAPTER 182.

AN ACT to regulate the improvement of public boulevards beyond the municipal limits of certain cities.

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

Powers of park commissioners.

SECTION 1. Whenever, in any city of the first class in this state, as classified by chapter 40a, of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, which now or hereafter may own and possess lands beyond the municipal limits for public park purposes, shall have acquired any lands beyond such municipal limits for highway and boulevard purposes, to connect said public parks with the limits of said city, and having a board of park commissioners and a board of public works, then and in that case, the board of park commissioners of such city shall have full and exclusive power to grade,