

the said common council shall have the same authority to take and acquire the use of such lands for such purposes, by proceeding in all respects in relation to such taking and acquiring of such use as is provided by the charter of such city for the taking and acquiring of use of lands without or beyond the limits of such city for other purposes. Provided however, that such city, in addition to the power to acquire the use of such lands for the purposes named herein and in the manner herein provided, may also acquire the use of any such lands by grant, or conveyance by deed, in all cases where the terms of purchase shall be agreed upon between such city and the owners of such lands.

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

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## CHAPTER 132.

AN ACT relating to streets and alleys in cities and villages and to provide a statute of limitations in respect thereto.

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

**Statute of limitations made five years.** SECTION 1. Any and every street, highway and alley heretofore or hereafter dedicated or attempted and intended to be dedicated in any plat, or laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued, or attempted or intended to be laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued by the authorities of any town, city or village in this state, shall be taken and held to have been lawfully so dedicated, laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued, as the case may be, from and after the expiration of five years from the date of the deed, instrument, plat, order, resolution or other final proceeding had or taken to effectuate such purpose.

**Irregularities in laying out not to affect, after.** SECTION 2. No defect, irregularity, omission or informality in the execution of any plat or deed of dedication or in any proceedings, order or

resolution on the part of the authorities of any town, city or village, whether formal or jurisdictional, for the purposes aforesaid, heretofore made or taken or hereafter to be made or taken, shall affect or invalidate such plat, deed, order or resolution or proceeding, after the expiration of five years from the date of such plat, deed, proceeding, order or resolution; provided however, that the street or alley laid out, altered or changed by such defective, irregular or informal plat, deed, proceeding, order or resolution, shall be limited in length to the portion actually worked and used thereunder.

**Effect of act.** SECTION 3. Nothing herein contained shall be taken to change existing requirements of law with reference to streets, alleys or ways by adverse possession or implied dedication.

**Conflicting laws repealed.** SECTION 4. All laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after sixty days after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 133.\*

AN ACT to amend section 2424 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898 relating to circuit courts and the terms thereof.

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

**Date of commencement of terms; special terms.** SECTION 1. Section 2424 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by striking out in the first line of the paragraph or part of said section relating to terms of court in the eighth judicial circuit the word "fourth," and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "third," so that said paragraph or part of said section when so amended shall read as follows: Eighth Circuit. In the county of Buffalo

\*See chapter 396.