

by general and special ordinance jointly, are authorized and empowered to create and maintain street and sewer improvement districts, and establish, change and revise the boundaries thereof from time to time; to erect, build, establish, lay out, alter, open, improve and repair streets, sewers, avenues, sidewalks, alleys, bridges, squares and other public highways and places within the city, and to drain, sprinkle and light the same; to remove all obstructions therefrom; to establish the grades thereof; to grade, plank, pave, macadamize, gravel and curb the same, in whole or in part, and to construct gutters, culverts, sidewalks and cross walks therein, or upon any part thereof, and to levy, apportion, assess and collect the cost or any part thereof against and from the property within such street and sewer improvement district; to determine what work shall be done or improvements made at the expense, in whole or in part, of the owners of the adjoining, contiguous or proximate property, or non-contiguous and other properties within such improvement districts specially benefited thereby, and to provide for the manner of making, apportioning and collecting assessments therefor.

## Section 2. STREET IMPROVEMENTS, LOCAL ASSESSMENTS.

The city shall have the power to provide by ordinance for doing any or all work thereupon or therein authorized by this Act, and for the payment of the costs and expenses thereof by the levy and collection of special assessments therefor upon the property to be benefited thereby. That is to say, the expense or cost of any work or improvements upon the streets, sewers, avenues, or public ways of such city shall be assessed upon the lots and lands fronting thereon, and adjoining, contiguous, proximate and non-contiguous in the improvement district proximate or specially benefited thereby; each lot being separately assessed for the full debt thereof in proportion to the benefits upon the

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property to be benefited, sufficient to cover the total expense of the work.

**Notice of contemplated work to be published.**

Section 3. The Common Council or other legislative body of said city planning to make a local improvement or improvements at the expense in whole or in part, of the owners of the property benefited, must prepare plans for the work and estimates of the cost of same, and then before proceeding with the work publish a notice of said fact at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in some newspaper published within the corporate limits of said city.

The said notice must state the nature, extent and approximate cost of said improvement or improvements, and give the boundary of the district to which the cost of same will be assessed, and must also contain a date not less than sixty days from the beginning of said publication, on or before which time or times the owners of the property affected may file their objections to the work.

The Common Council must cause a plat of the improvement district to be made showing thereon the boundaries of the proposed improvement district with the various lots, tracts and parcels of land that will be included therein and affected thereby, together with a list of said various lots, tracts and parcels of land and a statement of the estimated cost of said improvement that will be assessed against each such lot, tract or parcel. Five days or more after the termination of the sixty day period above described, the Council may proceed with the proposed improvement unless objection be filed either severally or by petition, by the owners of property bearing fifty per cent or more of the estimated cost of said improvement or improvements. In case objections are so made by the owners of property bearing fifty per cent of the estimated cost of said improvement or improvements, the proposed improvement or improvements shall not be proceeded with unless the Council shall first revise the