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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 9-240, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO COMMON COUNCIL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2       Section 1. Section 9-240, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4           9-240. General powers of common council

5       A. The common council shall have control of the finances and  
6 property of the corporation.

7       B. The common council shall also have power within the limits of  
8 the town:

9           1. To erect, purchase or lease necessary buildings for the purposes  
10 of the corporation.

11           2. To appropriate money and provide for the payment of its debts  
12 and expenses.

13           3. ~~(a)~~ To exercise exclusive control over the streets, alleys,  
14 avenues and sidewalks of the town and to **DO THE FOLLOWING:**

15              (a) Give and change the names thereof.

16              (b) ~~To~~ Prevent and punish for the encumbering thereof, and to abate  
17 and remove all encumbrances and obstructions thereon.

18              (c) ~~To~~ Widen, extend, straighten, regulate, grade, clean or  
19 otherwise improve the same.

20              (d) ~~To~~ Open, lay out and improve new streets, avenues and alleys.

21              (e) ~~To~~ Vacate or abandon any street, avenue, alley, park, public  
22 place or sidewalk in such town or to abolish them, provided that  
23 rights-of-way or easements of existing sewer, gas, water or similar  
24 pipelines and appurtenances and for canals, laterals or ditches and  
25 appurtenances, and for electric, telephone, and similar lines and  
26 appurtenances shall continue as they existed **prior to BEFORE** the vacating,  
27 abandonment, or abolition thereof.

28              (f) ~~To~~ Protect the same from encroachment and injury.

29           4. To erect and maintain bridges, culverts, sidewalks and  
30 crossways, and prevent and punish for injuries thereto or obstructions  
31 thereon.

32           5. ~~(a)~~ To construct and maintain sewers and drains, and prevent  
33 and punish for any obstruction ~~thereof, or thereto~~ **OF THE SEWERS AND**  
34 **DRAINS.**

35           ~~(b)~~ 6. To change the channels of natural watercourses, to wall the  
36 same and cover them over, and regulate the same as sewers.

37           ~~(c)~~ 7. To prevent and punish for the filling up, altering or  
38 changing of natural watercourses by private persons.

39           ~~(d)~~ 8. To regulate the bridging of all millraces, irrigating and  
40 other ditches at the crossings of public highways, by the owners of such  
41 millraces and ditches, and after such bridge or ford is built according to  
42 the street commissioner's instructions, the crossing shall thereafter be a  
43 public charge.

- 1        6. 9. To provide the town with water, to construct public wells,  
2 cisterns and reservoirs in the streets and other public and private places  
3 within the town, or beyond the limits thereof, and to supply the same with  
4 pumps and conducting pipes or ditches.
- 5        7. (a) 10. To provide regulations for the prevention and  
6 extinguishment of fires, **INCLUDING DOING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**
- 7        (b) ~~To prevent~~ (a) PREVENTING the erection of wooden buildings  
8 within prescribed limits.
- 9        (c) ~~To regulate~~ (b) REGULATING the construction of chimneys,  
10 furnaces and fireplaces.
- 11        (d) ~~To regulate~~ (c) REGULATING the storage of explosives, tar,  
12 pitch, resin and other combustible or inflammable materials, ~~and~~ and ~~to~~  
13 prescribe **PRESCRIBING** the places and manner of storing the same.
- 14        8. 11. To provide for lighting the streets and other public places  
15 of the town, and to exclusively regulate and control the laying and  
16 repairing of gas pipes and other appurtenances therein.
- 17        9. 12. To provide for enclosing, improving and protecting the  
18 public grounds and cemeteries of the town, and to direct and regulate the  
19 planting of ornamental and shade trees therein and in the streets of the  
20 town.
- 21        10. 13. To establish markets and marketplaces for the town and to  
22 regulate the same.
- 23        11. (a) 14. To establish and maintain necessary cemeteries and  
24 burial places for the town beyond the limits thereof.
- 25        (b) 15. To regulate the burial of the dead.
- 26        (c) 16. To require a registration of the deaths and births, and to  
27 impose penalties ~~upon~~ ON physicians and surgeons for any default in the  
28 premises.
- 29        12. 17. To establish and regulate the police of the town, to  
30 appoint watchmen and policemen, and to remove them, and to prescribe their  
31 powers and duties.
- 32        13. 18. To prevent, suppress and punish any riot, rout, affray,  
33 disorderly noise or disturbance in any public or private place within the  
34 town.
- 35        14. 19. To prevent, suppress and punish racing or immoderate riding  
36 or driving through the streets.
- 37        15. (a) 20. To prohibit and punish any amusements or practice  
38 tending to annoy or obstruct persons passing ~~upon~~ ON the streets or  
39 sidewalks, or frighten horses or other animals being ridden or driven  
40 thereon.
- 41        (b) 21. To restrain and punish the ringing of bells, blowing of  
42 horns, crying of goods or other noises, performances and practices tending  
43 to cause the collection of persons ~~upon~~ ON the streets or sidewalks and  
44 the obstruction thereof.

1       16. (a) 22. To prohibit the roaming at large of animals within the  
2 town.

3       (b) 23. To authorize the impounding and summary sale ~~thereof~~ OF  
4 ANIMALS when found roaming at large contrary to ordinance.

5       (c) 24. To impose penalties ~~upon~~ ON the owners ~~thereof~~ OF ANIMALS  
6 for a violation of any ordinance in relation thereto.

7       (d) 25. To regulate, restrain and prohibit the running at large of  
8 dogs and to authorize their destruction when at large contrary to any  
9 ordinance of the town, and to impose penalties ~~upon~~ ON the owners thereof.

10      17. (a) 26. To suppress and prohibit prostitution and unlawful  
11 sexual intercourse and to punish persons guilty thereof.

12      (b) 27. To suppress and prohibit the operation of disorderly  
13 houses and to punish the owners, managers, lessees, agents, keepers and  
14 inmates thereof.

15      (c) 28. To suppress and prohibit gambling and the operating of  
16 gambling houses and to punish the owners, managers and employees thereof  
17 and players at such games.

18      18. 29. To fix the amount of license taxes to be paid by any  
19 person, firm, corporation or association for carrying on any business,  
20 game or amusement, calling, profession or occupation, and prescribe the  
21 method of collection or payment of the same, for a stated period in  
22 advance, and fix penalties for failure to comply by fine or imprisonment,  
23 or both. ~~Nothing in~~ This article ~~shall be construed as authorizing~~ DOES  
24 NOT AUTHORIZE any town or city to levy an occupational license or fee on  
25 any activity when the general law of the state precludes levying such a  
26 license or fee.

27      19. 30. To authorize the clerk to issue licenses, to direct the  
28 manner of issuing and registering the same, and the fees of the clerk  
29 therefor. ~~No~~ A license ~~shall~~ MAY NOT be granted for more than one  
30 year, ~~and not~~ OR COST less than ~~ten dollars nor~~ \$10 OR more than ~~five~~  
31 ~~thousand dollars shall be charged for any license so issued~~ \$5,000.

32      20. (a) 31. To provide regulations to prevent the introduction or  
33 spread of contagious, loathsome or infectious diseases within the town.

34      (b) 32. To make quarantine laws and enforce them within the town  
35 and within two miles thereof, and to provide pest houses and hospitals  
36 necessary therefor.

37      21. (a) 33. To define, abate and remove nuisances, and punish  
38 persons committing nuisances.

39      (b) 34. To compel the owner or any occupant of any house or  
40 premises to clean the grounds, stables, alleys, streets and walks  
41 appurtenant and adjacent thereto.

42      (c) 35. To prohibit within the town and within two miles beyond  
43 the limits thereof slaughterhouses, tanneries, soap factories,  
44 establishments for the steaming or rendering of tallow, lard or offal, and

1 all other establishments and places where any nauseous, offensive or  
2 unwholesome business may be carried on.

3 ~~22.~~ 36. To perform other acts, and prescribe other regulations,  
4 which THAT may be necessary or expedient for the prevention or suppression  
5 of disease.

6 ~~23.~~ 37. To establish and maintain a workhouse or houses of  
7 correction, to make regulations for the government thereof and to appoint  
8 the officers and keepers thereof.

9 ~~24.~~ 38. To authorize the arrest and punishment of vagrants,  
10 stragglers and idle and disorderly persons found loitering or strolling  
11 about in public places, leading an immoral or profligate life, and to  
12 authorize the confinement of any such person, and persons who fail to pay  
13 any fine, in the workhouse or house of correction for a period not  
14 exceeding three months.

15 ~~25.~~ ~~(a)~~ 39. To direct and control the laying and construction of  
16 railroad tracks, bridges, switches and sidetracks in the streets, alleys  
17 and other public places of the town.  
18 ~~(b)~~ AND to require ~~the same~~ THEM to be so laid and constructed as to  
19 interfere as little as possible with the ordinary travel and use of the  
20 streets, and other public places.

21 ~~(c)~~ 40. To authorize the construction of tramways, electric, steam  
22 or cable roads and railways in the town, and to regulate the operation  
23 thereof, and the fares to be charged thereon and to require the owners  
24 thereof to keep in repair the streets wherein the same may be laid, and to  
25 construct and keep in repair all bridges, culverts, crossways, ditches and  
26 sewers.

27 ~~(d)~~ 41. To regulate the speed of locomotives.

28 ~~(e)~~ 42. To levy taxes as hereinafter mentioned in this article.

29 ~~(f)~~ 43. To apply any surplus money in the treasury of the town to  
30 the extinguishment of the debt of the town, or to provide a sinking fund  
31 for that purpose.

32 ~~(g)~~ ~~(a)~~ 44. To make, amend or repeal all ordinances necessary or  
33 proper for the carrying into effect of the powers vested in the  
34 corporation, or any department or officer thereof.  
35 ~~(b)~~ ~~To AND TO DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:~~

36 (a) Enforce the observance of such ordinances., ~~and to~~

37 (b) Punish violations thereof by fine or imprisonment, or both, and  
38 by confinement at hard labor, in the discretion of the magistrate or court  
39 before whom a conviction may be had, ~~but no~~. A fine ~~shall~~ MAY NOT be  
40 imposed ~~exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, nor OF MORE THAN~~  
41 \$2,500 OR imprisonment or confinement at hard labor ~~exceeding OF MORE THAN~~  
42 six months.

43 (c) Unless specifically prohibited by statute, to classify  
44 ordinance violations as criminal or civil offenses.

1           ~~29.~~ 45. To adopt ordinances for the government of the corporation,  
2 its officers and persons within its corporate limits needful for the good  
3 government and order of the municipalities, and to provide the manner of  
4 prosecution and define the punishment for the violation of such ordinance.

5           46. TO PARTICIPATE IN WATER REUSE AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS AND  
6 REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECHARGE PROJECTS AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE.