

8. To provide for, establish and maintain a free public library within the city, and to co-operate with any person, firm or corporation under such terms as the Board of Commissioners may prescribe for the establishment of such free public library, and to that end they shall appropriate annually out of the general revenue of the city a fund for the support and maintenance of said Public Library.

9. To buy, establish, lease, maintain and regulate and operate markets and market places and abattoirs, and to build, own and maintain buildings therefor, and to rent and lease the same.

10. To establish and maintain sanitary closets for the service of the public, and to obtain by purchase or condemnation property for such closets.

11. The City shall have power to open, widen, extend or otherwise improve any street, avenue, alley; and to annul, vacate or to discontinue the same or to grant to any other public use when deemed necessary or expedient; provided that all damages sustained by citizens of the city or owners of property therein shall be ascertained by condemnation proceedings, such proceedings shall be had in all respects as provided by law for the condemnation of property for municipal purposes in cities of the first class, and provided further, that whenever any street, avenue or alley shall be vacated, the same shall revert to owners of real estate thereto adjacent on each side in proportion to the frontage of said real estate, except in such cases when such streets, avenues or alleys shall have been taken and appropriated to public use, in a different proportion, in which case it shall revert to adjacent lots of real estate in proportion as it was taken from them, provided that when in the opinion of the Board of Commissioners of the city, that it is necessary to reopen such alleys that they may order such alley opened without any expense to the city.

12. The city shall have power to prohibit and prevent all encroachment into and upon the sidewalks, streets, avenues, alleys and other properties of the city, and may provide for the removal of all obstructions from the sidewalks, curbstones, gutters and cross walks at the expense of the owners or occupants of the grounds fronting thereon, or at the expense of the person placing the same there, the city may also regulate the planting and protection of shade trees, and the building of bulk heads, cellar and basement ways, stairways, railposts, awning posts, and all other structures projecting upon or over and adjoining, and all excavations through and under the sidewalks or along the streets of the city.

13. The city shall have power to establish, alter and change the channel of water courses and wall them and cover them over, and may establish make and regulate public wells, cisterns, aqueducts and reservoirs of water, and provide for the filling of same.

14. The City shall have the power to provide for and regulate the lighting of the streets and erecting of lamp posts and shall have power to make contracts with and authorize any person, company or association to erect gas or electric works in such city and give such persons company or association the privilege of furnishing gas or electricity to light the streets and alleys of said city for any length of time not exceeding twenty five years, but no such grant shall be construed as to prevent the city from granting to other persons, or companies or corporations the right to use the streets for like purposes; and all such grants shall be subject at all times to reasonable regulations, by ordinance.

SECTION -7 FRANCHISES.

1. The ownership, right of control and use of the streets, highways, alleys, parks, public places and all other real property of the City of Tulsa, is hereby declared to be inalienable to said city; except by ordinance passed by vote of the majority of the Board of Commissioners, as hereinafter provided; and no franchise or easement involving the right to use the same, either along, across, over or under the same, shall ever be valid, unless