

thereof; to make reasonable regulations in regard to buildings to be erected in said town, and to grant building permits for the same; to establish the grades of the streets, gutters and sidewalks of said town, fix the width thereof and prescribe the material of which they shall be constructed; to cause the sidewalks along the public streets to be graded, paved, repaired or improved; to cause the water courses, drains and sewers to be laid, paved, kept in repair and cleaned; to purchase, lease or receive such real and personal property as may be necessary or proper for municipal purposes, and to control, dispose of and convey the same for the benefit of the town; to erect and maintain such buildings for municipal purposes as they may deem necessary and proper; to construct and maintain public works for supplying the town with artificial light, water, or other purpose which they may deem necessary, proper and beneficial for said town; or to contract with any person or persons or corporation for supplying said town and the inhabitants thereof with water, gas or electricity, and to cause the public streets and public buildings to be lighted, supplied with water or other conveniences as they may deem necessary and proper; to establish and regulate a fire department and provide such means, engines, apparatus, measures or materials for the prevention or extinguishment of fires as they may deem necessary; to prevent, under such restrictions as they may deem proper, the laying of railroad tracks and the running of cars drawn by horses, steam, electricity or other power thereon, the laying of gas or water pipes in the public streets, and to construct and maintain, and permit the construction and maintenance of the telegraph, telephone and electric lines therein; and they shall impose such restrictions and conditions upon the location and maintenance of gas, electric light and water works, pipes, wires, poles and railroad tracks as shall secure the least possible public or private inconvenience; and they shall provide for the enforcement of such restrictions and conditions; to contract for lighting and supplying with water the streets and public buildings and for sprinkling the streets; but no such contract shall be for a longer period than two years, and the same shall be let only after thirty days' notice, calling for bids for such purpose or purposes, has been given at least three times during that period in some newspaper of general circulation in the town, or posted for three weeks in five conspicuous places in the town; and the Council may, in their discretion, reject any or all bids; and such contract or con-

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