

obtain franchises in said City; all such franchises shall be for a definite term of years, not exceeding twenty-five years, and be renewable at the discretion of the Mayor and Council, and shall specially set out the nature, right and duration of same, and no power or right not expressed in the franchise or grant shall pass thereunder; and the said Mayor and Council, notwithstanding anything that may be set out in any such franchises or grant, shall not have the power to divest of the right to regulate and control the use of the rights under any franchise granted or that may be granted by it, and to fix and regulate the charge for service whenever they deem the public interest may require it; to regulate the keeping of dogs in said city; and to provide for a tax thereon, and to provide for the collection thereof, as other taxes are collected, and to provide that any person or persons owning a dog or dogs and refusing or neglecting to pay such a tax within twenty days after notice thereof shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, before a justice of the peace shall be fined not less than one nor more than ten dollars, and be committed to jail until the fines and costs are paid; to provide for the killing of dogs on which no taxes are paid; prevent the running at large of horses, cattle, hogs, geese and other fowl on the streets or within the limits of said City, and to regulate or prevent the keeping of same within said City, to provide for the protection of all city property and to regulate and license all public service companies or corporations, and any franchise, easement or privilege for using the streets, highways and sidewalks of said City that hitherto has been granted or may hereafter be granted; to punish and suppress tramps and vagrants by imposing fines, or both fine and imprisonment, or by hard labor on the streets of the city, and may so employ any person sentenced to the town jail for thirty days or more and confined therein for non-payment of any fines and costs, and to abate by appropriate ordinance all nuisances in said City, which are so defined at common law, by this Act or by the Laws of the State of Maryland, whether the same are herein specifically named or not. The Mayor and Council may establish and provide a market house in the town for the use and convenience of the inhabitants thereof, and may, by by-laws and ordinances, provide for and regulate the sale of all provisions brought to said city for sale, the trying and adjusting of the scales, weights and measures used at the market by the standards of the county, and the seizure and sale to the highest bidder or the destruction of any found false or untrue, the renting of the stalls and shambles of the market and for the seizure and sale for the use of the Council of articles of any kind, and especially of all butter in print or parcel brought to the said market for sale, or any other article found wanting in weight or unsound or unwholesome. The police shall have charge of and supervision over the market house and market therein, under the direction and control of the Mayor and Council. If any person shall feel aggrieved by any seizure made by the police, he may within three days after such seizure appeal to the Mayor and Council, who shall make such order therein as they or he may deem just. The rent of the stalls and shambles of the market house may be recovered in the

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