

1 B. The title of the Mayor and Council of Salisbury in and to its water fronts, wharf property, land under water, public landings, wharves, docks, highways, avenues, streets, lanes, alleys and parks is hereby declared to be inalienable. The Mayor and Council of Salisbury may grant for a limited time, specific franchises, rights in or relating to any of the public property or places mentioned in this section; provided, that such grants are in compliance with the requirements of this Article, and that the terms and conditions of the grant shall have first been authorized and set forth in an ordinance duly passed by the Council. Every such grant shall specifically set forth and define the nature, extent and duration of the franchise or right thereby granted, and no franchise or right shall pass by implication under any such grant, and notwithstanding any such grant, the Mayor and Council of Salisbury shall at all times have and retain the power and right to reasonably regulate in the public interest the exercise of the franchise or right so granted, and the Mayor and Council of Salisbury shall not have power by grant or ordinance to divest itself of the power or right to so regulate the exercise of such franchise or right; nothing contained in this Article shall prevent the Mayor and Council of Salisbury from disposing of any building or parcel of lands no longer needed for public use.

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146 A. The Mayor and Council shall have power to provide by ordinance for grading, shelling, graveling, paving and curbing, or for regrading, reshelling, regraveling, repaving and recurring of any street, lane, alley or highway, or part thereof, in said city, now condemned, ceded, opened as a public highway, or which may be hereafter condemned, ceded, opened, widened, straightened or altered according to the laws and ordinances regulating the same, and also for assessing the costs of any such work, not exceeding one-half, upon the property binding upon such street, lane, alley or highway or part thereof, according to such rule or basis as it may determine; provided, that a majority of the votes of the taxpayers on any such street, lane, alley or highway, or part thereof, shall petition the Mayor and Council for said improvement or work as set forth in this section, and in ascertaining the number of votes, each property owner on any such street, lane, alley or highway shall have one vote for each \$1,000.00 worth or fractional part thereof of property, according to the taxable basis of said property located on any such street, lane, alley or highway; provided, that no property owners be allowed more than ten votes; and all assessments made under this section shall be collected as other city taxes are collected, or in such manner as it may prescribe, either before or after the work shall have

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