

ances and obstructions on or from the streets, highways, lanes, alleys, drains or water courses, or on or from any lot within the limits of the City and to provide for imposing a fine on any person causing, creating or maintaining any nuisance or obstruction; to remove or cause to be removed any houses or other buildings that may in their judgment become dangerous to property, health or safety of persons in the City; to cause the streets, lanes and alleys to be paved, graded, drained or sewerred, and to fix the width thereof and prescribe the material of which they shall be constructed; to cause the sidewalks along the public streets and highways of the City to be graded, paved, repaired or improved, curbs to be set and gutters laid; and the Mayor and City Council, in addition to the regular taxes paid may in their discretion without discrimination assess against the owner of the abutting property one-half of the cost of said curbs and sidewalks installed by the City, which shall be a lien on the adjacent property and shall take precedence over a mortgage or any other lien on said property, said abutting owner to pay one-tenth of the cost of installing one-half of the said curb and sidewalk each year for a period of ten years until said abutting owner shall have paid one-half of the cost of said curb and sidewalk, which cost shall be added to and made part of his regular taxes; to erect and establish houses of correction, hospitals or penthouses without or within the City, and to provide for the government of the same; to establish and regulate a station house or lockup for the temporary confinement of violators of the laws of the State or the Ordinances of the City; to suppress vagrancy; to prohibit or restrain the keeping of bawdy houses or houses of ill-fame within the limits of the City; to provide for the punishment of all persons who shall keep, authorize or suffer to be kept, any such bawdy houses or houses of ill-fame; to control, protect and preserve the health of the citizens and the property rights and privileges of the City; to prevent the storage of explosives or combustible matter in such quantities or places within the City or within one mile thereof as they may deem dangerous; to construct, maintain or lease such buildings for municipal purposes as they may deem necessary and proper; to regulate and provide for the licensing of pawnbrokers, peddlers of nostrums, notions, patents, secrets or pretended inventions and remedies on the streets, lanes or sidewalks of the City; to regulate and provide for the issuing of licenses or permits for all hawking, peddling and vending of wares and merchandise of every description on the streets, lanes, alleys or sidewalks of the City; to issue licenses or permits to all automobiles, trucks, drays or any kind of vehicle and itinerant peddlers who may go from house to house to vent or sell wares or merchandise; to issue licenses to any and