

or meandered stream, are authorized to levy and collect a tax in the manner above provided for the purpose of building, purchasing or maintaining, or aiding in the building, purchasing or maintaining a bridge across such stream, or to issue their corporate bonds as above provided; but if a tax shall have been levied for such purpose in any such county, town or towns, city or village, their bonds for such purpose shall not be issued for an amount exceeding the difference between such tax and five per centum of such assessed valuation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 333.

AN ACT to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Improving  
public boulevards and  
pleasure ways,  
adjustment of  
cost.

SECTION 1. In all cities of the first class authorized to levy taxes for park purposes, and having a board of park commissioners, whenever any street or highway may have been or shall hereafter be set aside as a boulevard or pleasure way, it shall be lawful for such board of park commissioners to improve a portion of such boulevard or pleasure way by the laying out thereon of lawns, flower beds and other similar improvements. The first cost of making such improvements, including the curbing of

such parked plots, shall be assessed by said board of park commissioners upon the lots and parcels of land abutting on such boulevard or pleasure way, at an equal rate per lineal foot, and it shall be the duty of said board of park commissioners, whenever such an assessment shall have been made, to forthwith transmit a true copy thereof, showing specifically the amount assessed against each lot or parcel of land abutting on such boulevard or pleasure way, to the comptroller of such city, who shall include such assessment in his annual schedule submitted to the common council, to be levied and collected as other special assessments are levied and collected. After the first cost of such improvements shall have been provided in the manner herein specified, it shall be the duty of said board of park commissioners to maintain such parked plot, and the costs of such maintenance shall be paid out of the park fund; provided, however, that no such improvement shall be made by such park commissioners until the owners of a major part of the frontage of the lands abutting on such boulevard or pleasure way shall have assented to such improvement, in writing; and provided, further, that in no case shall the assessments so made be higher than two dollars per lineal foot.

SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts, contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 24, 1897.