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OF THE

CITY OF PADUCAH

KENTUCKY

Under the Charter Act of March 19, 1894

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BY E. H. PURYEAR
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By Order of the General Council

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known as Riverside Hospital of the City of Paducah, and said board is empowered to adopt such rules and regulations in the management of said hospital as may be deemed proper by said board, and it shall have the power to employ and discharge at will all of the employees of the said Riverside Hospital and fix the salaries thereof.

Sec. 3. The Mayor, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the President of the Board of Councilmen shall be ex-officio members of said Hospital Board, together with two practicing physicians of the City of Paducah, who shall be elected in the month of June, 1908, by the General Council of the City of Paducah, in joint session, and said two physicians shall hold their offices respectively until the month of December, 1909, and thereafter such two members of said Hospital Board shall be selected by vote in joint session of the General Council, and shall hold their offices respectively for the term of one year thereafter or until their successors are elected and duly qualified, and the election of said two members of the Hospital Board shall be held annually thereafter in the month of December.

Sec. 4. No compensation shall be paid to any of the members of said Hospital Board by the City of Paducah.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Approved June 8, 1908.

PARKS, BOULEVARDS AND PARKWAYS.

An ordinance providing for the regulations and orderly government of parks, boulevards, parkways, park roads, streets, avenues and other public grounds under the control and management of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Be it ordained by the General Council of the City of Paducah, Kentucky:

Section 1. No omnibus, wagon, cart, dray, truck or other vehicle for carrying goods, merchandise, manure or any other article, except such as are engaged in repairing or constructing said parks, boulevards, streets, avenues, or driveways shall be allowed to enter upon any boulevard, parkway, street, avenue or park road under the control and management of the Board of Park Commissioners of Paducah, Kentucky; provided, however, that wagons or other vehicles carrying goods, merchandise or other articles to or from any house or premises abutting upon any of such boulevards or parkways shall be permitted to enter thereon at the cross street nearest to said house or premises in the direction in which the same are moving, and deliver or receive such goods, merchandise or other articles, but shall not proceed thereon further than the nearest cross street thereafter; and said boulevard, parkways,

avenues, streets or park roads shall not be used by business vehicles for traffic purposes, except as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 2. All carriages, cabs and other vehicles usually carrying lamps must keep the same lighted from sunset until sunrise; and all automobiles and other motor vehicles must display a white light ahead and red light behind from sunset until sunrise.

Sec. 3. All motor cycles and bicycles must carry a lighted lamp, showing a white light ahead and red lights to the sides from sunset until sunrise, and said motor cycles and bicycles must strictly comply with the rules of the road as provided for all other vehicles, and must not congregate nor run more than two abreast of each other.

Sec. 4. All vehicles and horsemen, when passing another vehicle or horseman going in the same direction, must keep to the left and leave the vehicle or horseman they are passing on the right; and when passing each other from opposite directions each must keep well to the right.

Sec. 5. All vehicles or horsemen going at a walk or slow trot must keep near the curbstone or gutter on the right-hand side of the road in the direction in which they are going; those going more rapidly must keep nearer the middle of the road.

Sec. 6. Red street lights located in the center of driveways at intersections and turns indicate this rule of the road: "Slow down and keep to the right;" and this rule of the road must be complied with on all intersections and turns of the boulevards and parkways, whether lights are so located or not.

Sec. 7. No vehicle shall stop for any purpose without first drawing up to the curbstone or gutter, and always on the right-hand side of the road in the direction in which they are going.

Sec. 8. Automobiles or any other vehicles must not exceed a speed limit of fifteen (15) miles per hour on any of the boulevards, avenues, streets or parkways and must not exceed a speed limit of fifteen (15) miles per hour on any of the park roads within any park.

Sec. 9. No person shall be permitted to move any house along or upon any boulevard or parkway without first obtaining a special permit from the Board of Park Commissioners, and then only within such stated time as may be established by said board, and such permit shall contain the necessary conditions guarding against damage to property under the control of said Board of Park Commissioners, as provided in section 10 of this ordinance.

Sec. 10. Every person obtaining a permit for the use of a portion of any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street, park road or sidewalk space, shall be required to deposit with the Secretary of the Board of Park Commissioners a sum in cash or its equivalent, estimated by the Board of Park Commissioners to be sufficient to pay for the cost of any damage to said boulevard, parkway, avenue,

street, park road or sidewalk space, caused by any work being done under the authority of said permit; and if repairs and restoration are made under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners at the expiration of such permit, and no damages have occurred to said boulevard, parkway, avenue, street, park, road or sidewalk space, except such as have been so repaired, then the deposit will be returned in full; but upon failure of the person obtaining such a permit to repair and restore conditions as above provided, within five (5) days of the expiration of such permit, the Board of Park Commissioners may proceed to make such repairs and deduct the cost of same from such deposit; the balance, if any, to be returned to the person obtaining said permit.

Sec. 11. No horse nor mule, nor any animal attached to a vehicle shall be permitted to stand upon any portion of any boulevard, parkway, avenue or park road of said city, unless the driver thereof is in charge of and accompanies the same; or unless such animal be securely hitched to a hitching post, erected with the approval of the Board of Park Commissioners; nor shall any vehicle, horse, mule or animal be permitted to stand upon any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road to the obstruction of the same, or to the inconvenience of travel.

Sec. 12. No person shall engage in any racing, speeding or fast driving on any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street, or park road of said city, except on such part or portion of any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road as may be set apart by the Board of Park Commissioners for that purpose, and then only under such regulations as the Board of Park Commissioners may prescribe.

Sec. 13. No velocipede, bicycle, tricycle, wheel-barrow, hand-cart nor other vehicle, nor any horse, mule, cattle, chickens, ducks, geese nor swine shall be placed by the owner or any other person in charge or control thereof, or be permitted by the same upon the sidewalks, curbstones, grass plots or planting places of any park, boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road, nor to cross the same. Nor shall such vehicle, fowl or animal be taken upon any part thereof, except upon the carriage drives and crossings provided therefor. Nor shall any horses, mules, cattle, sheep, fowls or swine be driven loose, singly or in herds, on any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road of said city. Nor shall any dog be taken or permitted in or upon any park, except the same be led and secured at all times by cord or chain of not greater length than ten (10) feet. Roller skating on the sidewalks of any boulevard, street or parkway is prohibited.

Sec. 14. No person shall hitch any horse or other animal to any lamp post, tree or fire hydrant on any boulevard or parkway, or ride or drive over the curbstone, sidewalks or grass plots thereon, nor shall any person permit any horse, mule or other animal to stand so near to any tree on any boulevard or parkway or in

any park, that such animal can damage the same by biting or otherwise.

Sec. 15. No owner, occupant or agent of any land abutting upon any boulevard, avenue, street or parkway of said city shall allow the earth or any rubbish from said land to fall or wash upon any part of said boulevard, avenue, street or parkway. Nor shall any person throw any dirt or cause to be thrown any dirt or rubbish of any kind upon any such park, boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road.

Sec. 16. No person shall place or deposit or allow to be placed or deposited on any boulevard, avenue, street, parkway or park road of said city, any building material whatsoever or any other articles or things which shall obstruct or hinder the travel thereon, without a written permit from the Board of Park Commissioners, which said permit shall state how great a space will be allotted on which the same may be placed or deposited, the amount of cash deposit or its equivalent, as provided in section 10 of this ordinance, and the length of time during which said permit shall be in force; but no obstruction nor deposit of any kind shall be placed upon the sidewalk of any boulevard or parkway.

Sec. 17. Every person having the use of any portion of any boulevard, parkway, avenue, street or park road of said city, for the purpose of erecting or repairing any building or for any other purpose, shall cause two (2) red lights to be placed in a conspicuous place, one at each end of such obstruction, from dusk until sunrise in the morning of each day, during the time such obstruction shall remain, and shall also construct and maintain proper safeguards and a good and safe plank sidewalk around such obstruction, which sidewalk shall be at least two (2) feet wide.

Sec. 18. No person shall play any game whatsoever in or upon any of the parks, boulevards, avenues, streets, parkways or park roads under the control of the Board of Park Commissioners; provided, however, that ball, cricket, lawn tennis and other games of recreation may be played upon such portions of said parks as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Park Commissioners, and under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by said board. The grass plots or lawns of public parks and parkways shall not be used by any person as thoroughfares in crossing from one roadway, walk or street to another roadway, walk or street. But this section shall not be construed to interfere with the use of public parks or parkways as pleasure grounds by the people for the purpose of recreation under such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Sec. 19. No person shall engage in any sport upon any boulevard, avenue, street, parkway, park road or driveway under the control or supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners, which

will be likely to frighten horses, injure passengers, or embarrass the passage of vehicles thereon.

Sec. 20. No person shall fire or discharge any gun or pistol, or carry fire-arms, or throw stone or other missiles, or fire, discharge or set off any rocket, cracker, torpedo, squib or other fireworks or things containing any substance of an explosive character, within any park, boulevard, avenue, street, parkway or driveway of this city under the control or supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners, except upon a permit first duly obtained or authority previously granted by said board, and subject to such rules and regulations as said board may establish.

Sec. 21. No person shall expose any article or thing for sale, or do any hawking or peddling or distributing hand bills or erect any sign board or posts, or affix any notice or bill or other writing or printing on any tree, lamp post, hydrant, curbstone, sidewalk, coping, flag, stone fence, wall, building or other place in any park, boulevard, avenue, street, parkway, park road, driveway or other public grounds under the control or supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners of said city. Nor shall any person drive any animal or vehicle displaying an advertising placard of any kind; nor shall any person display any placard or advertisement of any kind upon or along any boulevard, avenue, street, parkway, park road or in any park or other public grounds under the control and management of the Board of Park Commissioners of said city.

Sec. 22. No person shall cut, break or in any way injure or deface any of the trees, shrubs, plants, turf, grass, lamp posts, fences, bridges, buildings or other constructions of property in or upon any park, boulevard, avenue, streets, parkways, park roads or other public grounds of said city under the control or supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Sec. 23. All persons riding bicycles, tricycles or velocipedes in parks or upon parkways, boulevards or park roads shall be required to keep upon the paths specially provided for the same or upon the roadway, and in no case shall be permitted to ride upon the sidewalks, foot-paths or upon the park or grass.

Sec. 24. No vehicles other than those used for pleasure driving or other than such carts or other vehicles as may be employed by the Board of Park Commissioners in the construction of or caring for said parks, shall be permitted to enter said parks.

Sec. 25. No person shall be guilty of disorderly, unchaste, or lewd conduct or of habitual loafing or sleeping on the ground or benches, or make, aid or assist in making any disorderly noise, or riot or breach of the peace, within the limits of any park, boulevard, avenue, street, parkway or other public grounds of the city.

Sec. 26. All sidewalks hereafter constructed on boulevards, avenues, streets, and parkways under the control of the Board of Park Commissioners, shall be of artificial stone or other durable

material, selected by the Board of Park Commissioners, and shall be of such width as the Board of Park Commissioners may establish in each case, and they shall be uniform in character and appearance throughout each boulevard and parkway and they shall be otherwise constructed and laid strictly in accordance with the plans and specifications, and under the supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Sec. 27. All that part or portion of driveways connecting private property with the roadway, and lying between the lot line and the roadway on all boulevards and parkways, and other avenues under the control of the Board of Park Commissioners, shall be constructed by the Board of Park Commissioners, or under its supervision, at the expense of the property owner and of such width as the Board of Park Commissioners may determine in each case; provided, however, that the maximum width required by said Board shall not exceed nine (9) feet; provided, further, that at the request of the property owner a special permit may be granted by said Board of Park Commissioners for a greater width, and such driveways shall be constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications furnished by and under the provision of the Board of Park Commissioners, and their location shall be with the consent of said Board of Park Commissioners.

Sec. 28. On all boulevards, avenues, streets, and parkways under the control of the Board of Park Commissioners, there shall be constructed at the expense of the property owner, foot-ways, connecting private property with the public walk, and also with the curb line where necessary. There shall be not more than one foot-way for each residence, except by special permit of the Board of Park Commissioners. Such foot-ways shall be located at such points as the Board of Park Commissioners may direct or designate. The width of such foot-ways shall in all cases be established by the Board of Park Commissioners, and be constructed of the same materials and in accordance with the plans and specifications governing the construction of public walks with which said foot-ways connect. The rise of all such foot-ways from top of curb to the property line shall be at the rate of one-fourth (1-4) of an inch to each foot; provided, however, that this rate of slope may be increased or diminished by permission of the Board of Park Commissioners when in their judgment such change will not be detrimental but will improve the appearance of said boulevard, avenue, or parkway.

Sec. 29. No person shall be permitted to build or place any fence or other barrier around any grass plots or planting spaces on any boulevard or parkway.

Sec. 30. Any person who shall violate any of the foregoing provisions, rules, and regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than one hundred dol-

lars (\$100.00) for each and every offense, and in addition to the members of the regular police force of Paducah, who may be specially detailed by the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners for the enforcement of the foregoing rules and regulations, and for service under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, said Board of Park Commissioners may employ and appoint additional persons to act as special guards and watchmen in parks, boulevards and parkways, as it may find it expedient and deem necessary for the protection of the same, and for the enforcement of the rules and regulations of said Board and the ordinances of the city relating to the regulation and orderly government of parks and public grounds under the control and management of the Board of Park Commissioners, and said special guards and watchmen shall be paid out of the general funds appropriated by the General Council for the general expenses of the Board of Park Commissioners and for other park purposes; but the number of such special guards and watchmen so appointed, shall not exceed fifteen (15) per cent of the regular police force of said city without the consent or approval of the General Council of said city.

Sec. 31. The General Council finds and declares that the action of the General Council herein has been recommended by the Board of Park Commissioners of Paducah, Kentucky, as provided by law, and that said Board has adopted said rules and regulations, and has recommended to the General Council the establishment and enforcement of the same by ordinance as herein provided.

Sec. 32 This ordinance shall only apply to such Parks, Boulevards, Parkways, Roads, Streets, Avenues, and other ground, property, or ways as are in law under the control and supervision of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Paducah, Kentucky.

Sec. 33. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance in so much as they conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and this ordinance shall take effect from its passage, approval and publication.

Approved September 2, 1909.

STEAM FERRY FRANCHISE.

An ordinance creating and providing for the sale of a franchise or privilege to establish, maintain and operate a steam ferry between the City of Paducah and the State of Illinois.

Be it ordained by the General Council of the City of Paducah, Kentucky:

Section 1. That there is hereby established and created a Ferry Franchise for a period of twenty years, granting the privilege or right to construct, establish, maintain and operate a steam or other motor power as good as steam Ferry between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, and the town of Brookport, Illinois, and Owens' Landing,