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S. P. 472

In Senate, February 22, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Boucher of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to a Planning Board for the City of Lewiston.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

P. & S. L., 1939, c. 8, Art. XVI, § 21, additional. Article XVI of chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939 is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section 21, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 21. Planning board. A planning board for municipal projects is hereby created. Said planning board shall consist of 9 members as follows: the mayor, 1 member of the board of finance, the president of the city council, all ex officio, and 1 representative of each of the following boards: board of education, board of public works, board of health and welfare, police commission and fire commission, the representative to be selected by these boards respectively to serve during the pleasure of the respective boards, and a citizen, to be appointed by the mayor, who shall be chairman of the board and shall serve for a term of 5 years.

It shall be the duty of the planning board from time to time to consider the needs of the city for the improvement, replacement or alteration of existing facilities and the acquisition or construction of additional facilities and the order in which projects ought to be undertaken over a period of

years, giving all departments an opportunity to present the importance and urgency of projects in their respective jurisdictions.

The planning board shall hold public hearings on all projects involving an estimated expenditure in excess of \$25,000. It shall report its recommendations to the board of finance on specific projects after such hearings.

It may, from time to time, report to the board of finance its recommendations with respect to plans for municipal projects over a term of years and the order in which they ought to be undertaken, and shall not be bound by recommendations previously made.

Notice of the time and place of the public hearings, and of their meetings, shall be kept conspicuously posted in the office of the city clerk. The said board shall have the power to enact rules governing the administration of its affairs not inconsistent with the provisions of law. No compensation shall be paid to the members of the planning board for attendance at the meetings thereof, except the chairman who shall receive \$10 per meeting.'