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Payment of verdict.

SEC. 7. That when the verdict of said jury shall have been finally ratified and confirmed by the court, as herein provided, the amounts of money awarded and adjudged to be payable for lands taken under the provisions hereof shall be paid to the owners of said land by the disbursing officer of the District of Columbia from moneys advanced to him by the Secretary of the Treasury upon requisitions of the Commissioners of said District, as provided by law; and a sufficient sum to pay the amounts of said judgments and awards is hereby appropriated from the revenues of the District of Columbia.

Appropriation from District revenues.

Collection of assessments.

SEC. 8. That when confirmed by the court, the several assessments herein provided to be made shall severally be a lien upon the land assessed, and shall be collected as special improvement taxes in the District of Columbia, and shall be payable in two equal annual installments, with interest at the rate of four per centum per annum from and after sixty days after the confirmation of the verdict and award.

Damage awards deducted from benefits.

In all cases of payments the accounting officers shall take into account the assessment for benefits and the award for damages, and shall pay only such part of said award in respect of any lot as may be in excess of the assessment for benefits against the part of such lot not taken, and there shall be credited on said assessment the amount of said award not in excess of said assessment.

Proceedings.

SEC. 9. That said court may allow amendments in form or substance in any petition, process, record, or proceeding, or in the description of property proposed to be taken, or of property assessed for benefits whenever such amendments will not interfere with the substantial rights of the parties interested.

Compensation of jurors.

SEC. 10. That each juror shall receive as compensation the sum of five dollars per day for his services during the time he shall be actually engaged in such services under the provisions hereof.

Appropriation for expenses.

SEC. 11. That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, to provide the necessary funds for the costs and expenses of the condemnation proceedings taken pursuant hereto, to be repaid to the District of Columbia from said assessments for benefits when the same are collected as herein provided.

Reimbursement.

Appeals not to delay opening of street, etc.

SEC. 12. That no appeal by any interested party from the decision of the supreme court of the District of Columbia confirming the assessment or assessments of benefits or damages herein provided for, nor any other proceeding at law or in equity by such party against the confirmation of such assessment or assessments, shall delay or prevent the payment of award to others in respect to the property condemned, nor delay or prevent the taking of any of said property sought to be condemned, nor the opening of such street: *Provided, however*, That upon the final determination of said appeal or other proceeding at law or in equity the amount found to be due and payable as damages sustained by reason of the extension of said street under the provisions hereof shall be paid as hereinbefore provided.

Proviso. Payment of final decision.

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CHAP. 3077.—An Act Ceding to the city of Canon City, Colorado, certain lands for park purposes.

Canon City, Colo. Certain lands ceded to, for park purposes, including the Royal Gorge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the city of Canon City, a municipal corporation in the county of Fremont and State of Colorado, all lands now belonging to the United States of America located in sections numbered twenty-one, twenty-

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two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, and twenty-eight, in township numbered eighteen south, range numbered seventy-one west of the sixth principal meridian, said lands being located along and on either side of the Arkansas River in said State, and containing thereon a certain canon designated as the Royal Gorge; the said lands to be held by the said city solely for park purposes and for the use and benefit of the public, without other restriction than such as may be necessary to protect the said premises from trespasses and injury. And said lands and all of them are hereby withdrawn from location and entry, under the laws of the United States of America.

Lands withdrawn from settlement.

SEC. 2. That the common council of the said city of Canon City shall have and is hereby granted full power and authority to control, protect, and preserve said lands so removed from entry and ceded, and the water courses and timber thereon; and for the purpose aforesaid to make such rules and regulations preventing trespass, defacement of natural scenery, or any preventable injury to the said canon as may be necessary or proper in the premises; and the said city council shall further have power and authority to locate and maintain through itself, or grant the right to so locate and maintain to others, railways, wagon roads, ditches, canals, and other improvements, and also to permit on said ceded premises the erection of all such buildings or structures as may be necessary or proper to carry out the purpose and intent of this Act.

Control of lands.

Regulations.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be subject to all existing valid locations or appropriations under the land laws of the United States within the limits herein above provided and when and so soon as any present appropriations or locations, or any inchoate or incomplete appropriations, or locations of any of the said premises, under any of the land laws of the United States, shall lapse, become forfeited, cancelled, or abandoned, the premises covered by such locations shall at once, and without further action, fall under and become subject to the operation of this Act, and shall be ceded to and become the property of the said city of Canon City for the uses herein set forth.

Existing claims not affected.

Cancelled claims.

SEC. 4. That the grant and cession hereby made is to the said city of Canon City alone, and upon any attempt by the said city of Canon City to alienate or encumber the said premises or any portion thereof, or should said city cease to care for said park for a period of three years or more, the title thereto and to all the said lands shall at once revert to and revest in the United States of America; and the said city of Canon City shall further, and within one year from the date hereof, mark and define the boundaries of the said lands by permanent and substantial monuments.

Reversion.

Boundary monuments.

SEC. 5. That the said city of Canon City shall further, and within six months after the marking of said premises, file in the United States land office at Pueblo, Colorado, proof of the said marking and determination of the boundaries of said premises as herein above set forth, and the formal acceptance by the said city of the grant herein evidenced, under the conditions herein set forth; and thereupon patent shall issue to the said city of Canon City for the lands above described, subject, however, to the herein stated reservations, limitations, and conditions.

Filing proof of boundaries.

Issue of patent.

SEC. 6. That the right to amend or repeal this Act at any time is hereby reserved, and upon such repeal the title granted herein shall revert to the United States.

Amendment.

Approved, June 11, 1906.