

receive and hold property, real and personal, within said city; and may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the same for the benefit of the city; and may purchase, lease, receive and hold property, real and personal, beyond the limits of the city, to be used for the burial of the dead, for the erection of water-works, for the establishment of poor-houses, pest-houses, houses of detention and correction, for public parks and promenades, and for any other public purpose that the Mayor and City Council may deem necessary or proper; and may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of such property for the benefit of the city to the same extent as natural persons may. Said city shall have and use a common seal, and change it at pleasure.

Common Seal.

Municipal Officers.

SEC. 3. That the municipal officers of the City of Jacksonville shall be a Mayor, a City Council, composed of two members from each ward in said city; a Board of Public Works, composed of three members; a Comptroller, a Treasurer, a Recorder, a Judge of the Municipal Court, a Marshal, and such other officers as may be provided for by ordinance.

Sec. 1,  
Ch. 4498.

Certain Charters abolished.

SEC. 4. The charters of the cities of Jacksonville, LaVilla and Fairfield, in Duval county, under which said cities have heretofore been incorporated, are hereby abolished.

Title, rights, etc., vested in this corporation.

SEC. 5. The title, rights and ownership of all property, uncollected taxes, dues, claims, judgments, decrees and choses in action, held or owned by each of said cities, shall pass to and are hereby vested in the corporation created by this act.

Obligations of corporations abolished unimpaired.

SEC. 6. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to impair the obligations of any existing contract into which any of said cities has heretofore entered, and the officers of the cities of Jacksonville, LaVilla and Fairfield, whose charters were abolished by act approved May 31, 1887, respectively, shall continue to discharge the duties of their respective offices until the officers of the municipal corporation succeeding thereto shall have been elected and shall have qualified; and all city ordinances not inconsistent with this act in force in the cities whose charters are hereby abolished shall continue in force, and have the effect of laws in each of said cities, respectively, until repealed or amended by the succeeding city government, or until they expire by their own limitation.

Sec. 2,  
Ch. 3776.