

12-1928. Powers of recreation commission. Every recreation commission appointed pursuant to this act shall have the power to:

- (a) Make and adopt rules and regulations for the operation of the recreation system;
- (b) conduct the activities of the recreation system on any property under its custody and management, or, with proper consent, on any other public property and upon private property with the consent of the owners;
- (c) receive any gift or donation from any source;
- (d) receive, accept and administer any money appropriated or granted to it by the state or federal government or any agency thereof;
- (e) purchase insurance. The city or school district to which the recreation commission certifies its budget shall levy an annual tax upon all taxable tangible property within the taxing district in an amount necessary to pay for insurance purchased for those purposes authorized by K.S.A. 75-6111, and amendments thereto, and to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, except that no levy shall be made under this subsection which, when coupled with any levy made pursuant to subsection (j), is in excess of one mill without the approval of the city or school district. Taxes levied pursuant to this subsection shall be in addition to all other taxes authorized or limited by K.S.A. 12-1927, and amendments thereto, or any other provisions of law;
- (f) sue and be sued;
- (g) enter contracts;
- (h) enter lease agreements for real and personal property. The term of any such lease shall not exceed 10 years. Any such lease agreement shall be subject to the approval of the city or school district to which the recreation commission certifies its budget;
- (i) employ a superintendent of recreation and any other employees which may be necessary for proper operation of the recreation system;
- (j) create and establish employee benefits contribution funds for the purpose of paying the employer's share of any employee benefits, exclusive of any salaries, wages or other direct payments to such employees, as may be prescribed in the resolution creating such funds. The recreation commission may receive and place in such funds any moneys from any source whatsoever which may be lawfully utilized for the purposes stated in the resolution creating such funds, including the proceeds of tax levies authorized by law for such purposes. The city or school district to which is certified the budget of any recreation commission which has established employee benefits contribution funds pursuant to this subsection shall levy an annual tax upon all taxable tangible property within the taxing district in an amount determined by the recreation commission to be necessary for the purposes for which such funds were created and to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, except that no levy shall be made under this subsection which, when coupled with any levy made pursuant to subsection (e), is in excess of one mill without the approval of the city or school district. Taxes levied pursuant to this subsection shall be in addition to all other taxes authorized or limited by K.S.A. 12-1927, and amendments thereto, or any other provisions of law. For the purposes of this subsection, employee benefits shall include social security as provided by subsection (c) of K.S.A. 40-2305, and amendments thereto, workers' compensation as provided by K.S.A. 44-505c, and amendments thereto, unemployment compensation as provided by K.S.A. 44-710a, and amendments thereto, health insurance and retirement benefits;
- (k) establish a petty cash fund. The amount of moneys in a petty cash fund shall not exceed \$1,000 at any one time;
- (l) acquire title to personal property by purchase, bequest, gift or other donation and acquire title to real property by devise, gift or other donation. Whenever property owned by a recreation commission is sold, the proceeds shall be used for recreation purposes;
- (m) make improvements for recreation system purposes; and
- (n) perform any other acts necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

History: L. 1987, ch. 71, § 7; L. 1989, ch. 64, § 1; L. 1994, ch. 150, § 3; L. 2002, ch. 176, § 3; L. 2009, ch. 106, § 1; Apr. 30.