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CHAPTER 458

DOCKS; QUAYS; LEVEES; WHARVES; LANDING AND LOADING PLACES;
WATER FREIGHT AND PASSENGER STATIONS; AND TERMINALS

458.32 LEVEES ON NAVIGABLE STREAM WHEN CHANNEL CHANGED.

A municipal corporation has no proprietary rights in the streets, levees, or other public grounds within its territorial limits. Whatever rights it has in them it holds merely in trust for the public. A municipality has no authority over such public grounds, except such as is delegated to it by the legislature; and the "care, supervision and control" of all public highways and streets within the city limits given to the common council of the city of St. Paul by its charter did not authorize the council to grant to a railway company the right to construct and maintain a freight house on a "public levee" for its own exclusive use. *City of St. Paul v Chgo. Milwaukee & St. Paul*, 63 M 330, 63 NW 267, 65 NW 649, 68 NW 458.