

**CITY EXHIBITION AREAS**  
**Act 70 of 1955**

AN ACT to authorize cities to acquire and operate exhibition areas for commercial, industrial and agricultural products; to provide for the issuance of bonds to finance the cost thereof; to authorize the fixing and collecting of fees and other charges for the use of facilities therein; and to authorize the making of reasonable rules and regulations relative to the public use of facilities therein.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**123.651 Exhibition areas for display of commercial, industrial, and agricultural products.**

Sec. 1. Any city may acquire, construct, improve, enlarge, extend and operate, within or without its corporate limits, exhibition areas for the display of commercial, industrial and agricultural products and parking facilities used in connection therewith. Such exhibition areas shall include all necessary real or personal property used or useful in connection therewith and including, but not by way of limitation, exhibition buildings, community buildings, stadiums, auditoriums, arenas, convention halls, recreational facilities and parking facilities used in connection therewith. Such facilities at any one location may be operated independently or jointly with those at one or more other locations. The legislative body of the city is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase, and to accept gifts and devises of real estate for the purposes of the aforementioned exhibition areas.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955.

**123.652 Exhibition areas; appropriation.**

Sec. 2. The legislative body of the city is authorized and empowered to make appropriations for the operation, improvement and maintenance of such exhibition areas, as herein authorized, as shall have been acquired.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955.

**123.653 Exhibition areas; operation and maintenance.**

Sec. 3. The legislative body of the city may provide by ordinance or resolution for the operation and maintenance of any such exhibition area by a board, commission or other agency of the city in manner to be specified in such ordinance or resolution.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955.

**123.654 Exhibition areas; fees, rules.**

Sec. 4. The legislative body of the city is authorized to establish by ordinance, fees or charges for the use of the facilities in any exhibition area, admission fees and other charges for use of such area, and to make reasonable rules and regulations for the use of said area or areas, and penalties for the violation thereof.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955.

**123.655 Exhibition areas; bonds; appropriation of revenues.**

Sec. 5. Any city may issue bonds pledging the full faith and credit of the city for the purpose of acquiring any facility or facilities as authorized in this act when the issuance of bonds has been approved by a 3/5 vote in favor of the issuance by the electors of the city voting at any regular or special election. The issue and sale of the bonds is subject to the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821. The legislative body of the city shall appropriate annually for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, sufficient of the revenues derived from the operation of the exhibition area or areas for which bonds are issued above the amount required to meet the reasonable expenses of administration, operation, and maintenance of the facilities.

**History:** 1955, Act 70, Eff. Oct. 14, 1955;—Am. 2002, Act 189, Imd. Eff. Apr. 24, 2002.