

same, which said bills shall become a lien on the property within said district charged therewith, and to provide for maintenance and use of said sewers and mains.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Montgomery county be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered, in order to accomplish the purposes of this act, to construct sewers and water mains and extensions of both in the district of Silver Spring Park, in said Montgomery county, as said district is defined in this act, to invite plans and specifications to be prepared for such construction and extensions upon the deposit of such sum of money by any person interested in such improvements for the payment of the cost of such plans and specifications and to an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or so much thereof as may be required by the County Commissioners, the cost of said plans and specifications to be charged to construction and included in the special tax bills hereinafter provided for and the deposit refunded, in case the County Commissioners shall proceed with said construction and the issue of special tax bills as herein provided.

SEC. 2. After the preparation of such plans and specifications as the said County Commissioners may deem satisfactory, they shall advertise in such papers published in said county, or elsewhere, for a period not exceeding two publications in any one daily paper, or two publications in papers issued in said county once a week, inviting bids for the construction of said water mains and sewers, or extensions thereof, and at some time prior to the letting and accepting of any contract for such purposes it shall be necessary for a petition to be filed in the office of the County Commissioners, signed by at least twenty-five (25) persons, who are voters and taxpayers resident within the limits of said district; and thereafter the County Commissioners shall consider such bids as may be submitted, and shall open all bids at one time that may be sent to them sealed, in the presence of the Treasurer of the county; and the County Commissioners shall have the right to reject any and all bids, or to accept any bid which in their discretion is deemed best to the public interest to be accepted; and they shall thereupon enter into contract with the bidder whose bid is accepted for the work to be performed, according to the plans and specifications which may have been adopted and the contractor shall give bond to faithfully perform his contract and in such an amount as the County Commissioners may require. Before letting any contract to lay a sewer or water main in