

timore," sub-title "Charter," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

10. Before any grant of the franchises or right to use any highway, avenue, street, lane or alley, or other public property either on, above or below the surface of the same, shall be made the proposed specific grant except as provided in the proviso to Section thirty-seven of this Article, embodied in the form of a brief advertisement prepared by the Board of Estimates at the expense of the applicant, shall be published by the Comptroller for at least three days in one daily newspaper published in Baltimore City, to be designated by the Board of Estimates, and all the provisions of Section thirty-seven of this Article shall be complied with.

Use of
Highways, etc.

37. Before any grant shall be made by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, of the franchise or right to use any street, avenue, alley or highway, or the grant of the franchise or right for the use of any public property mentioned in Section seven of this Article, the proposed specific grant with the exception hereafter in this section made, shall be embodied in the form of an ordinance with all the terms and conditions required by the provisions of this Article, and such others as may be right and proper, including a provision as to the rates, fares and charges, if the grant provides for the charging of rates, fares and charges, and a provision that the franchise or right shall be executed and enjoyed six months after the grant. The said ordinance shall after having been introduced in either branch of the City Council, and after the first reading, be referred forthwith by the branch in which the same is offered, to the Board of Estimates. The said Board shall make diligent inquiry as to the money value of said franchise or right proposed to be granted, and the adequacy of the proposed compensation to be paid therefore to the city as offered in the ordinance already introduced, and the propriety of the terms and conditions of said ordinance, and the said Board is empowered to increase the compensation to be paid therefor to the city and alter the terms and conditions of said ordinance; provided, such alterations are not inconsistent with the requirement and provisions of this Article, and it shall be the duty of said Board to fit in said ordinance the said compensation at the largest amount it may be able by advertisement or otherwise to obtain for said franchise or right, and no grant thereof by the City Council shall be made except for the compensation and on the terms approved by a vote or resolution of the said Board, entered on the minutes or record of such Board,

Rates for
Franchises
granted.