

entitled to receive the same, the corporation may proceed to re-grade and pave the said street, lane or alley.

855. They may pass such ordinances for the purpose of altering or changing the grade of any street, lane or alley as they may deem advisable; but no such alterations shall be made unless the proprietors of the greater number of feet of ground binding or fronting on that part of the street, lane or alley, the grade of which is to be altered, shall first make application in writing to the mayor and city council for such change or alteration.

856. They may, on the application or assent in writing of the owners of the major part in extent of front feet of the lots fronting on each side of any street, or part of a street, pass such ordinances as shall be necessary for the construction of any track or tracks of railway on and along any such street; and may permit and cause such alteration in the grade of such street as may be necessary for the more convenient and useful construction of such railway, and may levy and assess on all the lots fronting on the street, or part of a street, or on the owners of such lots, their just proportion of expense of such construction, and enforce the payment thereof; and the proprietor of any lot in front of which any railway shall be so constructed, and the just proportion of constructing which shall be paid by him, shall be entitled at his own expense to have a convenient sideling or turnout made to enable him to have the beneficial use of said railway.

857. The president, directors and companies of the different turnpike companies owning roads running into the city of Baltimore, may cede to said city such parts of said roads as lie within the corporate limits of said city, and the same when ceded shall be in all respects subject to the same regulations as unpaved public streets.

858. The mayor and city council may, on application to them in writing of a majority in front feet of the owners of land in Baltimore county and in the city of Baltimore fronting on North Avenue, or in any part thereof, have the same, or such part thereof as such majority may apply for, graded and paved, if in their opinion consistent with the public good; and provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount of benefit or damage will be caused thereby to the owners of the land on each side of