

the said secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of said commission and perform such other duties as are imposed or assigned to him by said commission. All records of said commission shall be public, and the commission shall make annual reports to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of its official transactions and all expenditures. The Mayor and City Council shall provide proper offices for said commission. The said commission shall have authority and power to employ any help or assistance necessary to promote the object and purpose of this commission and its work, and to fix the compensation of such help and to remove or discharge them at their pleasure; also to purchase necessary office furniture and stationery.

Power to employ assistants.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That said commission shall have the right and power to condemn, lay out, open, extend, widen, straighten, close, grade and pave any street, avenue, lane or alley or any part thereof, from curb to curb; and to establish and fix the building line and the width of the sidewalks on any street, avenue, lane or alley now existing or to be laid out, opened, extended, widened, straightened, graded or paved in the Annex portion of the City of Baltimore. That said commission shall have all powers necessary and proper in the exercise of said powers; and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby authorized and empowered to grant by ordinance any further powers and duties it shall deem necessary for the proper execution of the improvements intended to be made by this Act.

Rights of said commission.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That immediately after the appointment and organization of said commission it shall cause to be prepared for its guidance and use a map or maps of the entire Annex portion of the City of Baltimore or any part or parts thereof, showing the streets, avenues, lanes and alleys and the number of houses situated in and the area of each block of ground in said Annex, and such other information as may be desired. The said commission is hereby authorized to direct any municipal officer, agent, employee or board of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to furnish such maps and information and to give such other assistance, information and advice as may be requisite to enable said commission to have prepared such map or maps and put such proposed changes, additions or improvements on them, and to give such other assistance, advice and information as said commission may require to carry into effect its work under this Act.

To secure maps, etc., for its guidance.