

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

Returns of
election.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted*, That the Council shall receive all returns of election and determine all questions arising thereunder; but any person considering himself aggrieved by such decision may appeal therefrom to the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, which court shall hear and determine such appeal and decide who shall pay the cost thereof.

Council to pre-
pare plat of
town.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted*, That the Council is hereby authorized to prepare a plat of said town upon which shall be shown all streets, roads and public ways whether heretofore laid out or projected, and by which all lots and property therein shall be afterward described; to control the subdivision of all land and property within the corporate limits of said town; to establish building lines and compel all persons erecting buildings in said town to conform thereto. The Council shall have the powers, and it shall be their duty to pass such ordinances as may be necessary, beneficial and proper, and for the enforcement of the provisions of this Charter not inconsistent with the laws: (1) To preserve the peace and good order and the best interest of the town; (2) To maintain its cleanliness and health, and to this end, (a) They shall have the same powers as the State Board of Health within the corporate limits of said town, and one-fourth of a mile outside thereof in every direction; (b) They may adopt and provide for an efficient system of drainage; (c) They shall have full power to regulate privies, specify the character of boxes and other fixtures for them, and the mode in which they shall be emptied and their contents removed, as well as the disposition of said contents; and they shall prohibit the construction or maintenance of privy sinks, cesspools and other depositories of filth within the corporate limits; (d) They shall provide for the inspection and cleanliness of privies, yards and stores; (e) They shall regulate the location, inspection and cleanliness of dairies, stables, cowyards and pens, all factories and other places of business likely to be or become detrimental to health, and shall maintain a good sanitary condition in the streets, public places and buildings; (f) They shall provide for the frequent inspection of all premises by such person or persons designated by the health officer; (g) They shall pass such ordinances as may be deemed necessary to preserve the health of the town, suppress and remove all nuisances, prevent the sale of adulterated or decayed food, and prohibit any and all business within the corporate limits as may injuriously affect sanitary conditions. (3) They shall establish the grades of the streets, gutters and sidewalks of said town, fix the width thereof and describe the material of which they shall be constructed; to cause the side-

Ordinances.

Preserve the
health of the
town.