

as any recommendations for the improvement of the utilities which it operates.

1924, ch. 178, sec. 402D.

**388.** The said Commission is hereby vested with all of the rights and powers necessary to operate efficiently any utility acquired or owned by the City of Havre de Grace to fix rates for those using said utilities to employ such person or persons as it may deem wise and necessary to properly operate said utilities, make repairs, extensions, improvements and betterments, buy materials and supplies, and in general to do all things necessary to be done by it in order to operate said utilities in a satisfactory and efficient manner; provided that no increase in rates over the initial rates fixed by said Commission may be charged by it, unless the approval of said new and increased schedule of rates is first had and obtained by a majority of the members of the City Council of said city. In case of a tie vote on said proposition, a quorum of the City Council being present, the Mayor may cast the deciding vote on such proposal to fix rates.

1924, ch. 178, sec. 402E.

**389.** The said Commission may from time to time turn over to the Mayor and City Council such part of the moneys it has received, and which are not needed in the operation of said utilities, and any money so turned over to the Mayor and City Council shall be applied by said Mayor and City Council first to the paying of any bonded debt or interest on same, which the said Mayor and City Council may have made at the time it acquired said utilities, and no money turned over by said Commission shall be expended by the Mayor and City Council of Havre de Grace for any other purpose as long as any debt exists which was incurred in the acquisition of said utilities.

1924, ch. 178, sec. 402F.

**390.** All contracts and obligations entered into by said Commission, or a majority of them, shall be binding against the City of Havre de Grace and the City Attorney of the City of Havre de Grace is hereby appointed and constituted the attorney for the Municipal Utility Commission, and said Municipal Utility Commission may allow him such compensation for his services as its attorney, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$200.00 per annum, and said City Attorney shall render such opinions, make such contracts and advise the said Commission on all matters wherein they require or request his services, provided that in the event suits are instituted against said Commission, said City Attorney shall be entitled to receive, as a representative of said Commission, such sum or sums for his services in connection with said suits as said Commission shall deem proper.

1924, ch. 178, sec. 402G.

**391.** Provided, however, that nothing in this Act contained is intended or shall be taken or construed as relieving the Mayor and City Council