

out, opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing up, in whole or in part, any street, lane or alley, within the police limits of Frederick city, which in their opinion the public welfare or convenience may require; to provide for ascertaining whether any, and what amount in value of damage, will be caused thereby, and what amount of benefit will thereby accrue to the owner or possessor of any ground or improvements within or adjacent to said city, for which such owner or possessor ought to be compensated, or ought to pay a compensation, and to provide for assessing and levying either generally upon the whole assessable property of the city or specially on the property of persons benefitted, the whole or any part of the amount of damages and expenses which they shall ascertain will be incurred in locating, opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing up the whole, or any part of any street, lane or alley in said city, and for the collection thereof; to provide for granting appeals to the circuit court for Frederick county from the decisions of any commissioners, whom they are hereby empowered to appoint by ordinance, to ascertain the damages which will be caused, or the benefits which will accrue to the owners or possessors of ground or improvements, by locating, opening, extending, widening, straightening or closing of in whole or in part any street, lane or alley within said city, and for securing to every such owner and possessor the right on application within a reasonable time, to have decided by a jury trial, whether any damage has been caused or any benefit has accrued to them, and to what amount, to provide for collecting and paying over the amount of compensation adjudged to each person entitled, or investing it in the discretion of said corporation, in some stock or otherwise, bearing an interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, for the use of any such persons, who because of their infancy, absence from the city or any other cause, may be prevented from receiving it, before any street, lane or alley, in whole or in part, shall be so opened, extended,

Damages and benefits.

Right of appeal.

Compensation.