

JOS. KENT, ESQ. GOVERNOR.

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Baltimore, be, and they are hereby constituted a board of commissioners to widen and extend Water-street, in the square between South-street and South Calvert-street, to an equal width, by removing the projection of the building known and distinguished by the name of Cheapside Hotel, beyond the regular south line of Water-street, in the said square; and whenever a vacancy in the said board may occur by resignation, death, refusal to act, or any other inability of either of the persons herein named and appointed and authorized to act in conjunction with the city commissioners aforesaid, or of any person or persons appointed in the stead of them, or either of them, as is hereinafter provided, that then the said board may supply such vacancy by election, and a majority of the said board of commissioners shall be competent to perform all the duties of the said board.

Proceedings directed.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the aforesaid board of commissioners, or a majority of them, may at any time before the first day August next, after having given at least ten days notice in one of the newspapers printed in the city of Baltimore, and after having viewed the premises and considered the advantages and disadvantages which will probably be the result of widening and extending the said street as aforesaid, proceed to value and assess on oath what damages may be sustained by any person or persons whatever, by the widening and extending of Water-street, by the removing the projection of said Cheapside Hotel beyond the regular line of Water-street, in the square aforesaid, and shall also declare what sum of money each individual or company benefitted thereby, shall respectively contribute and pay towards compensating those whom they judge to be injured by the widening and extending said street, and the removing the projection of the building aforesaid, as well as the expenses attending the same, and the expenses attending the execution of the power and authority hereby given, and the carrying this law into full operation: And the said board of commissioners, or a majority of them, shall return under their hands and seals, to the register of the city of Baltimore, to be filed and kept in his office, and also, to the collector of the city of Baltimore, one copy to each officer, a list of the names of the person or persons so benefitted aforesaid, and the amount assessed and charged to them respectively: And the sums of money so assessed and charged to each individual or company as aforesaid, shall be a lieu on the property so benefitted.

Collection & payments.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said several sums of money so assessed and charged as aforesaid, shall be collected by the collector of the city of Baltimore, and shall presently be paid over by him to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, and by them to the person or persons entitled to receive the same: And it shall be the duty of the collector of the city of Baltimore, within thirty days from the time of his receiving the list aforesaid to give notice in one of the newspapers printed in the city of Baltimore, to the persons respectively bound to pay the same, that the amount so assessed and charged as aforesaid, must be paid within twenty