

155E For the payment of all or part of the interest on and all or part of the principal of the bonds as they mature and not provided for in the receipts as collected under the provisions of Section 155D, the authorities may levy a front foot assesment on all property abutting on a street, road, alley or right-of-way in which a water main is laid. Said assessments shall be payable annually during the life of the bonds and sufficient in aggregate amount to pay any part or all of the interest on outstanding bonds, and to provide for their retirement. Said authorities may provide for the extinguishment by property owners of annual front foot benefit charges upon such terms as they may deem wise, provided any such arrangement shall provide properly for the necessary payments on the outstanding bonds. The municipal authorities may change the front foot assessment rates from year to year, as may become necessary, but the rate for any one year shall be uniform for all property so assessed within the municipality. Said authorities shall notify in writing all assessed property owners as to the amount of their assessment, naming in said notice a time and place when and where said owners will be heard. The benefit charge assessed against any property shall be final, subject only to revision at said hearing. The authorities in the case of corner lots, irregular shaped lots and shallow lots fronting on more than one street, and also in the case of small acreage and agricultural property, may determine upon such lengths of frontage for assessment as they deem reasonable and fair. Front foot assessment charges, as above specified, shall be a first lien on property against which they are assessed, subject only to prior State and County charges and upon complaint of the authorities before the Judge of the People's Court or the Circuit Court for Wicomico County, in in which said land is situated shall be enforced by a judgment and usual execution thereon. No front foot benefit charge shall continue as a lien for a period longer than two years from the date upon which the same became in default, unless it is reduced to a judgment and duly recorded among the records of the Clerk's office in the county in which said land is situated. Said benefit charges shall be in default after sixty days from the date of levy and said levy and any judgment obtained as a result of the default of payment thereof shall bear interest at the rate of 1 per cent a month from and after the time said levy is in default.

155F The authorities shall provide for each and every property abutting upon a street or right of way in which