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The Council may reject any or all bids and advertise anew. When such contract is awarded it shall be by ordinance duly passed.

Service of notice or process made

30. Whenever it shall become necessary for any purpose under this Act to serve a notice or process of any kind whatsoever upon any person or persons owning property within the limits of said town, who may be absent therefrom or now a resident thereof or upon whom, for any other reason, personal service cannot be had, and the bailiff shall make return to that effect, service of said notice or process may be made by a publication of said notice or process once a week for three consecutive weeks in some newspaper having general circulation in said town, which said notice by publication shall be as good and effectual as personal service. affidavit of the publisher or proprietor of said newspaper as to such publication shall be evidence of the fact thereof.

31. That the parts of the several county roads within the limits of said town are hereby made and declared to be pub-Public streets, lic streets and avenues of said town, and shall be from time to time improved and repaired as in the decretion of the Council the public interests may require and the resources of the town will justify.

Hold offices.

32. That the commissioners of Montgomery county, justices of the peace, sheriffs, constables and all other county and State officers shall have, hold and exercise their offices and iurisdiction in said town.

Legal successors.

33. The town of Gaithersburg is hereby declared to be the legal successor of the commissioners of Gaithersburg, and shall be entitled to and is hereby vested with all the property and rights of every nature, whatsoever belonging to the commissioners of Gaithersburg; all proceedings now pending in the name of the commissioners of Gaithersburg shall be continued in such name and remain unaffected by the adoption of this charter. The Mayor and Councilmen, and all other officers of the town in office at the date of this Act shall hold their offices until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified as herein provided, and all ordinances, regulations and resolutions now in force and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act shall remain in force until altered or repealed by competent authority. No provisions of the Act shall affect any right, lien or liability subsisting on the date of its passage.