

ing and curbing, and stone or other permanent carriage ways, after first grading and otherwise preparing for proper drainage the streets, to be improved according to a uniform system of grades to be established by said mayor and city council, and according to which all constructions on said street shall strictly conform.

246 H. The total costs of improvements of each street improved, shall be ascertained by the mayor and city council when and as said improvements are made, and after deducting the costs of the street crossings and of the improvements of the intersections of streets along the line of the street improved, which street crossing and intersections of streets shall be paid for entirely and exclusively by the mayor and city council, the balance of said total costs, after said deductions, shall be divided by the mayor and city council into four-fourths, and the mayor and city council shall pay two of said fourths, and the land owners on the sides of the street improved shall pay the other two of said fourths, according to their linear front feet on said streets improved, so that the land owners on each side of the streets improved, shall pay one of said fourths, according to their linear foot on said streets improved.

Apportionment of costs

246 I. The land owner on the sides of the improved streets, shall have ten years from the completion of the work, and the assessment of the cost of the same, in which to pay their said two-fourths of the costs of said work, according to their respective frontage per linear foot on the street improved, by ten equal annual instalments, with interest upon the same from date of said completion and assessment of said work, to the date of the payment of said instalments, and which said assessment shall be made on the completion of said work; and said interest shall not exceed five per centum per annum, and shall be paid in annual instalments; said two-fourths of the cost of said work chargeable to the owners of the land abutting on the street improved, with the interest on the same, shall be a lien on the said abutting land per linear front foot, and shall be collected in like manner as other taxes are collected, and shall form, when collected, principal and interest, a special fund to pay the principal and interest on the ten year bonds hereinafter provided to be issued by the mayor and city council of Laurel, against said taxes, and shall be used only for said purposes.

How assessments to be paid.

246 K. The mayor and city council's said two-fourths of the cost of said work and the whole cost of the said street cross-