

by him. Other meetings of stockholders may be called by the directors or a majority of them, according to such rules as may be adopted by the by-laws of said company, and the directors shall meet as often as necessary for the transaction of business.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall, as soon as convenient after its organization, establish a principal office either in the city of Baltimore or in Baltimore County, and change the same at pleasure, giving public notice in some newspaper of such establishment or change.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the Charter hereby created and all rights granted hereunder shall lapse and become void unless the said corporation shall be organized and shall apply for its franchises within four years from June 1, 1916.

Provided, that nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize the construction of any railroad passing around the City of Baltimore, but this Act is passed and accepted by the grantee upon the distinct understanding that the grantee, its successors and assigns shall have no power or authority to construct any railroad except one passing through, over or under the City of Baltimore, and further that the powers hereby granted are conditioned upon the grantee, its successors or assigns obtaining the proper franchise from the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to pass through, over, or under said City. The said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby authorized to grant such franchise upon such terms as to the said Mayor and City Council may seem proper, including a provision reserving to said Mayor and City Council, at any time after twenty-five years from the date of such franchise the right to make such changes in the terms of such franchise, except as to the duration thereof, as said Mayor and City Council may deem proper. And said Mayor and City Council are authorized in their discretion to grant such franchise for such length of time as to them may seem proper, not exceeding 100 years, providing such franchise is applied for and granted on or before January 1st, 1919.

Approved April 26th, 1916.

CHAPTER 513.

AN ACT repealing Section 134 of the Public Local Code of Prince George's County, Maryland, entitled Facilitating Obtaining Judgments and re-enacting the same with amendments.