

be included in a single sewerage system shall file with the Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County a petition stating the location and extent of the proposed sewerage system, the public need therefor and the names and residences of the petitioners, and asking for the establishment of such system, the Board of County Commissioners shall thereupon employ a competent sanitary engineer to make an accurate survey of the area which would be benefited by the construction of such sewerage system, and to investigate and report to the said Board of County Commissioners the number of dwellings, stores, factories or other buildings, and the number of persons residing in the area to be served by such system, the probable location and size of the main and lateral sewer main, and the location, character and size of any plant or means for the disposition of the sewage or water collected through such system, and the probable cost of constructing the said sewerage system, and the probable annual cost of maintaining the same. And said engineer shall file with said report a plat showing accurately by metes and bounds the area to be benefited by the construction and establishment of such system, together with the roads, alleys and streets, whether public or private, in such area, the location of the main and lateral sewer mains and the location and character of the plant or means for disposing of the sewerage collected by the proposed system. Such survey shall be made and said report and plat filed with said Commissioners within sixty days from such request. Upon the filing of such report and plat the said Board of County Commissioners shall submit a copy of said report and plat to the State Board of Health and when said Board shall approve in writing the said plans of said system as to sanitary efficiency, design and character, then the said County Commissioners of Baltimore County shall fix a day for a public hearing on said petition, and shall give notice thereof by publishing said petition and the date for such hearing in some newspaper published in Baltimore County for not less than two successive weeks. At such hearing all persons affected by the construction of the proposed system may appear and be heard upon the question as to whether the public health and convenience requires the establishment of the proposed system.

The County Commissioners of Baltimore County will thereupon determine whether the public health and convenience require the construction and maintenance of the proposed sewerage system, and if, in their judgment, said proposed system