

award in said proceedings, the Mayor and Council may enter and take possession of the property so condemned, upon first paying to the clerk of the court the amount of said award and all costs taxed to date, notwithstanding any appeal or further proceeding upon the part of the defendant; at the time of said payment, however, it shall give its corporate undertaking to abide by and fulfil any judgment on such appeal or further proceeding.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That every act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in this Act, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable before any justice of the peace, or the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, and shall be brought by warrant or indictment upon the oath or information of any member of the Mayor and Council or any employee thereof, and the offender shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or 30 days in the county jail, or both, in the discretion of the court. Where such act or omission is of a continuing nature, and is persisted in, in violation of the provisions of this Act, or any rule or regulation formulated thereunder, a conviction for one offense shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of such offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

SEC 17. *And be it further enacted*, That, at any time, the Mayor and Council shall be empowered to extend its water and sewerage systems into any area outside of the corporate limits of Gaithersburg, contiguous thereto or in the vicinity thereof, whenever a majority of the property owners of said area shall agree to the conditions that may be imposed by the Mayor and Council.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That during any calendar year, after the year in which the last of the bonds issued under this Act are sold, the Mayor and Council may issue bonds, for the extension, enlargement or improvement of the water and sewerage systems, not in excess of \$5,000, without a referendum, and all other provisions of this Act shall become applicable to each of said bond issues.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That at the next regular election of the Mayor and Council there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the town, the question whether bonds shall be issued for water and sewerage systems in Gaithersburg, and at such election the ballots cast upon such question shall have thereon the words "For Water and Sewerage Bonds"