

eral Assembly of Maryland. In addition to the powers vested in them as County Commissioners by existing law, the said Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized within the said district to make reasonable regulations affecting the kind, size and character (including the material used therein) of buildings to be erected in said district; to construct streets, sidewalks, gutters and curbs; to erect, maintain and protect such buildings for municipal purposes as they may deem necessary and proper; to cause the public streets and public buildings to be lighted; to permit, under such restrictions as they may deem proper, not inconsistent with existing law, the laying of railroad tracks and the running of cars propelled by steam, electricity or other power thereon; to permit the construction and maintenance of telegraph, telephone and electric lines and gas mains on or in the public streets, and to impose such restrictions and conditions upon the location and maintenance of gas, electric light and trolley wires, poles, pipes and railroad tracks as shall secure the least possible public or private inconvenience, provided, however, that such permits as to underground construction, shall be in addition to those required under existing law; to contract for periods not exceeding five years with any public or private corporation or any person, for supplying the district or the inhabitants thereof, with gas or electricity or for any general municipal purpose except the furnishing of water or sewer service or garbage, refuse or ash disposal service, provided, however, that such contracts shall be let only after thirty days' notice calling for bids for such purpose or purposes has been given at least three times during that period in some newspaper of general circulation in the district, and the County Commissioners may, in their discretion, reject any or all bids whereupon such contract or contracts shall be awarded by ordinance; to license for the purpose of regulation or revenue all and every kind of business transacted or carried on within the district and to fix the rate of license upon the same and provide for the collection thereof by suit or otherwise; to inspect, license, regulate and limit as to location any place of public amusement or recreation, pleasure parks, picnic grounds, club houses, theatrical exhibitions, baseball grounds, bowling alleys, billiard or pool rooms or camp meeting grounds, grave yards, sanitariums, hospitals, homes for the aged, orphan asylums, homes for children, and convalescent homes; signs or sign boards on or near State or County roads; and in order to safeguard the public health, safety, morals