

rooms, or other buildings of every description, and also all fences, gates, door-ways, windows, openings of all sorts, viaducts, and canal and railroad works and construction of every sort and description; to reclaim, fill in, or remove wet and overflowed land and islands, and to clear the same of all trees, bushes, and other foliage; to regulate the flow of Will's Creek or the Potomac River; to construct any and all of the works herein authorized across, through and over any gas, electric light, water power, canal or railroad company property or right of way, or any public or private highway, street, road or alley, and to operate, repair, and otherwise maintain any and all of said works; to buy, own, hold, lease, control, condemn, or otherwise acquire real and personal property, and any rights in the same, including riparian rights, easements, rights of way, wharf rights, mill rights, water rights, franchises, rights of ingress and egress, and rights to light and air; to acquire all the material to be used in constructing and maintaining the works and improvements hereby authorized; and to do all the foregoing things and any other thing or things necessary and proper in preventing or lessening the danger from floods in said City of Cumberland and carrying out any and all of the provisions of said Partial Flood Prevention Plan; provided, however, that the foregoing rights and powers, and those hereinafter granted, shall be exercised by said Mayor and City Council of Cumberland only within the present limits of said City and within a distance of one mile in any direction beyond said limits.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That if the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland shall determine to carry out said Partial Flood Prevention Plan or any part thereof by contract, or contracts, it shall advertise for bids upon the work contemplated, and shall furnish specifications to prospective bidders for the work to be contracted for, and said advertisement shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in two newspapers published in the City of Cumberland, and said Mayor and City Council may let said contract to the lowest responsible bidder, or said Mayor and City Council may reject all bids and re-advertise. Such contract or contracts, when awarded, shall be reduced to writing and shall be accompanied by or shall refer to plans and specifications for the work to be done, prepared by an engineer, and each contractor shall give a good and approved