

town by this Act, and heretofore dedicated or acquired by condemnation proceedings under the provisions of any of the laws of Maryland, or the Common Law, and in actual general use as a road, street, avenue or alley, shall be held to be validly constituted public highways of the town of Riverdale.

The Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale, whenever it shall determine it to be necessary for the public benefit, that any road, street, avenue or alley should be improved, which is not, by the provisions of this Act, made a public highway of the town, shall take supervision and control of the same, and such road, avenue or alley shall thereafter become a public highway of the town of Riverdale upon its acceptance by the Mayor and Common Council.

865G. The Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale are hereby authorized to construct within the annexed territory, in such cases as they may determine to be necessary for the public benefit and for the interest of the abutting property owners, sidewalks, curbs, gutters and roadbed, or any or all of them, of permanent materials in any of the streets, avenues or alleys made public highways of the town by this Act, or subsequently accepted as such by the Mayor and Common Council, whenever petitioned therefor in writing by the owners of more than fifty (50) percentum of the land abutting on the street, avenue or alley to be improved. For this purpose the Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale shall have all of the authority to borrow money, issue its bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness, advertise for bids, execute contracts, levy special assessments against the abutting property, and sell the same for non-payment of such assessments and do all other acts and things necessary thereto in the same manner as is now provided by law for the making of such improvements within the town of Riverdale, and to this end all laws now in force or hereafter enacted applicable to the Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale shall apply to such improvements in said annexed territory.

865H. All the inhabitants of the territory annexed to the town of Riverdale by this Act, shall, in all respects and to all intents and purposes, be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested, or to be vested in the Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale by law, and the territory so annexed shall be taken and considered as a part of the municipal corporation of the Mayor and Common Council of Riverdale.

865-I. For the purpose of determining whether the residents of the territory hereinbefore described desire the same to be annexed to the town of Riverdale, there shall be held