as to all persons and corporations except appellants, mentioned in the said notice and as against all attack except by appeal as provided, and in case the proceedings shall be held invalid as to an appellant they shall not be considered as invalid except as to that appellant; provided, that whenever any proceedings shall be held invalid as to any person, the city shall, as soon after such holding as conveniently as may be, proceed to institute, as to such persons, new proceedings, or to do whatever else may be necessary, for the purpose of properly and fully carrying into effect the plan of the improvements as laid out in the ordinance required by sub-division two of this section.

## ARTICLE XV

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

144. Public Hearings on Construction. All major construction work carried on by the city must be authorized and approved by the council before bids may be requested. The council shall give at least ten days' notice in one or more newspapers published in the City of Salisbury of such proposed approval, stating a time and place where all interested persons may be heard before the approval of the proposed project or projects. Projects for which an expenditure is provided in any budget as adopted by the council shall be deemed approved by the council and the public budget hearing shall be a sufficient hearing thereon. The council's decision as to the approval of any project shall be final.

## ARTICLE XVI

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 145. Chief of Police. There shall be a police department headed by a chief of police. He shall be appointed by the mayor with the advice and consent of the council and shall serve at the pleasure of the mayor. His compensation shall be determined by the council.
- 146. Duties. Under the supervision of the mayor, the chief of police in person or through his subordinates shall do the following:
- (a) He shall enforce the by-laws, resolutions, and ordinances of the city and the laws of the State of Maryland relating to crimes and misdemeanors committed in the city. He shall subdue riots, disorders, and disturbances of the peace and shall take into custody all persons so offend-