

under the provisions of this section shall be paid from the taxes levied for the general purposes of the city. Levying or collecting any special tax for the payment of these notes or other evidences of indebtedness is expressly prohibited. The notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued under the provisions of this section need not be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of the city and they shall not be deemed to be included under the ~~ten per cent (10%)~~ EIGHT PER CENT (8%) bond limit established by this charter.

PREVIOUS ISSUES

117. All bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the City of Frederick previous to the effective date of this charter, and all ordinances passed concerning them, are hereby declared to be valid, legal, and binding and of full force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

TAX EXEMPTION

118. All bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued and sold by the City of Frederick under the authority of this charter shall be exempt from all state, county, and municipal taxes in Maryland.

PURCHASING

119. The city engineer, under the supervision and control of the mayor, shall serve as purchasing agent for the City of Frederick. Pursuant to rules and regulations established by ordinance, the city engineer, serving as purchasing agent, shall contract for, purchase, store, and distribute all supplies, materials, and equipment required by any office, department, or agency of the city government. In accordance with Sections ~~142~~ 149 and 154 of this charter, the city engineer, serving as purchasing agent, shall invite bids and award public works and construction contracts. The city engineer, serving as purchasing agent, shall also have the power to:

(a) Establish and enforce specifications with respect to supplies, materials, and equipment required by the city government.

(b) Inspect or arrange for the inspection of all deliveries of supplies, materials, and equipment, and determine their quality, quantity, and conformance with specifications.

(c) Have charge of such general storerooms and warehouses as the board of aldermen may provide by ordinance.