or function it shall proceed therewith BY PROPER ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE OR MAINTAIN SAID PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT OR FUNCTION either by contract, publicly advertised or by its own force, or under its own supervision as it deems desirable and more economical. no earlier than the fiftieth day after said determination unless on or before the fortieth day after said determination there shall be presented to the Board or mailed to it by registered mail a petition as follows:

- 1. In the case of the improvement provided in Sub-section (a) a petition opposing the improvement signed by the owners of at least 51% of the abutting front footage of the property adjoining the roadways, alleys, curbs, sidewalks or gutters to be improved which petition shall defeat the Board's determination.
- 2. In the case of the improvement provided in Sub-section (e) a petition opposing the improvement signed by the owners of at least 51% of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area affected which petition shall defeat the Board's determination.
- 3. In the case of the improvement provided in Sub-section (e) either a petition opposing the improvement signed by the owners of at least 51% of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area affected which petition shall defeat the Board's determination of a petition signed by twenty per centum or more of the persons who reside in the area affected and who are registered as voters in county elections PROVIDED FURTHER THAT IN THE CASE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS PROVIDED IN SUB-SECTION (E), THE BOARD, FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, MAY PROCEED ONLY BY CONTRACT AND NOT BY ITS OWN FORCE, AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF SAID IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE NO EARLIER THAN THE FIFTIETH (50TH) DAY AFTER SAID HEARING ADOPTING THE ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION; AND SAID ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION IN THE CASE OF IMPROVEMENTS ADOPTED UNDER SUB-SECTION SHALL BE INEFFECTIVE IF ON OR BEFORE THE FORTIETH (40TH) DAY AFTER THE ADOPTION OF SAID ORDINANCE OR RÉSOLUTION THERE SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OR MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL, A PETITION SIGNED BY THE OWNERS OF AT LEAST 20% OF THE AS-SESSED VALUATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE AREA AFFECTED requesting a referendum on the question. In such an event, the Board shall notify the County Board of Supervisors of Elections immediately after receipt of the petition, giving to the Board a full and complete copy of the question to be determined. The Board shall set a date for the referendum on the question within the area to be affected. The date for the referendum shall be set within 60 days after receipt of the petition and shall permit the giving of at least fifteen (15) days' notice thereof. Such notice shall be published by the Board on two occasions at not less than weekly intervals, in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation within the area to be affected. They shall specify the time and date of the referendum and the place or places at which it will be held. The County Board of Supervisors of Elections shall conduct and be responsible for the referendum. The Board shall determine from the county registra-