

public utility or public agency and be used, operated, maintained and managed by it as part of such system.

(1) Subject to any rules, regulations or tariffs applicable to any such public utility or public agency, such agreement ~~may~~ SHALL also provide, among other things, for ~~any of~~ the following: the supplying or approval by the public utility or public agency of plans and specifications; ~~a contribution of labor, materials or money by the public~~ CATIONS; THE SUPPLYING OR APPROVAL OF LABOR OR MATERIALS BY THE PUBLIC utility or public agency; the performance by the public utility or public agency of all or part of the work or improvement; payment to said public utility or public agency for any work or improvement performed or service rendered by it.

(2) Any such agreement shall be made prior to the adoption of the resolution ordering the work. If the proceedings are abandoned, the agreement shall be given no further force or effect and engineering and other preliminary expenses in excess of \$2,500.00 incurred by the public utility or public agency shall be reimbursed to it by the petitioners. ~~To the extent that the agreement provides that all or any part of the work or improvement is to be performed by the public utility or public agency, any charter or statutory provisions requiring competitive bidding shall be inapplicable.~~ ENGINEERING AND OTHER PRELIMINARY EXPENSES OF LESS THAN \$2,500 INCURRED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY OR PUBLIC AGENCY SHALL NOT BE REIMBURSED TO THE PUBLIC UTILITY OR PUBLIC AGENCY BY THE PETITIONERS OR BY THE COUNTY OR THE INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY, IF THE PROCEEDINGS ARE ABANDONED. IF A CONVERSION DOES TAKE PLACE, ANY ENGINEERING OR OTHER PRELIMINARY EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY OR PUBLIC AGENCY SHALL BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE COST OF THE CONVERSION.

(3) Such agreement shall not be effective until approved by the Public Service Commission, which shall conduct such proceedings as it shall in its discretion deem appropriate to determine whether such agreement is in the public interest, and shall issue its order approving such agreement, disapproving such agreement or approving such agreement subject to prescribed conditions.

(i) If the work or improvement consists solely of a conversion, and such work or improvement is performed by a public utility or public agency, the resolution of intention shall provide that (a) the warrant, assessment and diagram or (b) any bonds issued or to be issued to represent unpaid assessments, or both (a) and (b), shall be sold as the legislative body directs. The purchaser, and any successors, shall thereupon have the same rights and liens as the contractor to collect and enforce the assessments and all bonds issued to represent unpaid assessments. If the work and improvement consists, in part, of a conversion and, in part of other types of work or improvement under this article, the legislative body may provide in the resolution of intention that the costs and expenses of conversion shall constitute part of the incidental expenses to be advanced to the county or incorporated municipality by the contractor and to be included in the assessment. Any payments made upon assessments, any proceeds from the sale of the warrant, assessment and diagram or bonds and any incidental expenses so advanced to the county or