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WHENEVER THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR WATER SUPPLY, SEWERAGE, SOLID WASTE, OR DRAINAGE SYSTEMS OR EXTENSIONS THEREOF SHALL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND THE COUNTY HAS DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION, IT SHALL, WHEN REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE, BY NOTICE IN ONE NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THE COUNTY AND WHATEVER NEWSPAPERS AND TECHNICAL PRESS AS IT MAY DEEM PROPER, ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SYSTEM OR SYSTEMS, IN PART OR AS A WHOLE AS IN ITS JUDGMENT MAY APPEAR ADVISABLE. THE CONTRACT SHALL BE LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, OR THE COUNTY MAY REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS. IF IN ITS DISCRETION THE PRICES QUOTED ARE UNREASONABLE OR UNBALANCED, IT MAY READVERTISE THE WORK OR ANY PART OF IT OR MAY DO ANY PART OR ALL OF THE WORK BY DAY LABOR. AT ANY TIME THE COUNTY IN ITS DISCRETION MAY EXPEND BY DAY LABOR FOR CONSTRUCTION AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) WITHOUT ADVERTISING AND RECEIVING BIDS. ALL SUCH CONTRACTS SHALL BE PROTECTED BY WHATEVER BONDS, PENALTIES, AND CONDITIONS AS THE COUNTY MAY REQUIRE, ALL OF WHICH SHALL BE ENFORCED IN ANY COURT HAVING JURISDICTION. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PRECLUDE THE COUNTY FROM PERFORMING ANY WORK WITH ITS OWN EMPLOYEES OR EQUIPMENT.

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(A) TO PROVIDE FOR THE GENERAL HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY MAY ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN WHATEVER WATER, SEWER, SOLID WASTE, AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS AS IT DEEMS TO BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST. THE COUNTY MAY CAUSE SURVEYS, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ESTIMATES TO BE MADE FOR THESE SYSTEMS. UNLESS ALL OWNERS OF LAND WHICH WILL BE SERVED BY ANY SUCH PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS CONSENT IN WRITING TO SUCH IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE, THE COUNTY SHALL CONSTRUCT ANY SUCH SYSTEM OR EXTENSION THEREOF ONLY AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING HELD BY THE COUNTY, AFTER GIVING NOTICE THEREOF IN ONE NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION PUBLISHED IN QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING. AT THE HEARING, PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE PRESENTED TOGETHER WITH THE ESTIMATED COSTS THEREOF AND ESTIMATED REVENUES TO BE DERIVED THEREFROM. THE COUNTY MAY DIVIDE THE SANITARY DISTRICT INTO WATER, SEWERAGE, SOLID WASTE, AND DRAINAGE SUBDISTRICTS IN SUCH WAY AS IN ITS JUDGMENT WILL BEST SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE SANITARY DISTRICT, PROMOTE CONVENIENCE AND ECONOMY OF INSTALLATION AND OPERATION AND PERMIT THE RAISING OF REVENUES AND APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS TO THOSE SERVED ON AN EQUITABLE BASIS, AND IT IS EMPOWERED TO KEEP ITS BOOKS OF ACCOUNT ACCORDINGLY.

(B) IF THE RESIDENTS OF ANY UNINCORPORATED LOCALITY IN THE SANITARY DISTRICT MAKE APPLICATION FOR A WATER SUPPLY, SEWERAGE, SOLID WASTE, OR DRAINAGE SYSTEM, OR