

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] 15 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.

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Upon certification by the county treasurer to the clerk of the circuit court for Queen Anne's County, as from time to time made, that the county is entitled to collect taxes or other charges upon land situated in the election districts designated in such certifications, the clerk shall not accept any instrument for recording among the land records of Queen Anne's Council until the instrument bears a notation by the county that all taxes or other charges due the county pursuant to the provisions of this subtitle for the year in which the instrument is offered for the record to have been paid.

No sewerage, water, or drainage system or extension thereof serving two or more [properties] RESIDENTIAL HOUSING OR CONDOMINIUM UNITS; BUILDINGS OR PREMISES; COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES, RENTALS OR LEASEHOLD UNITS; INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS; VESSELS OR PLEASURE CRAFT in the sanitary district may be constructed by any private owner without the prior approval of the Director of Public Works. If application for the construction or extension of any water supply, sewerage, solid waste, or drainage system or part thereof is made under the provisions of this subtitle, and the county determines that the construction or extension is inexpedient or impracticable at that time, owing to the remoteness from its general system or other considerations, the applicant may ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY TO build and operate the system or extension [thereof at its own expense.], BUT ONLY AFTER THE COUNTY HAS REVISED OR AMENDED THE COUNTY WATER AND SEWERAGE PLAN AS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 387 OF ARTICLE 43. It shall be constructed only under whatever plans and specifications as have been submitted to and approved by the Director of Public Works and its maintenance and operation shall be under the general control of the county. No such system or part