

District guaranteed by both Prince George's and Montgomery counties, as the construction bonds of the commission are now guaranteed under the provisions of chapter 122 of the Acts of 1918 and amendments to the chapter. The total amount of bonds for the construction of storm water or surface drainage systems outstanding shall at no time exceed the sum of \$1,000,000. No bond or part of any bond issued pursuant to this section in and for Prince George's County may be paid, appropriated, spent or in any manner applied to the construction of a storm drainage facility or system which is not included or in conformance with the current approved capital improvements program of the commission.

5-1. Generally.

(a) The construction or acquisition of [said] water mains or sewers is hereby declared to be a benefit to all property abutting upon the same and [said] THE commission, for the purpose of assessing benefits for the construction of water supply and sewerage systems, shall divide all properties binding upon a street, road, lane, alley, right of way or easement, in which a water pipe or sanitary sewer is to be laid, into seven classes, namely, agricultural, small acreage, industrial or business, subdivision residential, multi-unit residential, multi-unit business, and institutional. Immediately upon the commencement or within twelve months after the completion of a water supply or sewerage project the commission is empowered and directed to fix and levy a benefit charge upon all property abutting upon [said] THE water main or sewer, in accordance with the classification, and shall in writing notify all owners of [said] THE properties into which class their respective properties fall and the charge determined upon, naming also in [said] THE notice a time and place when and at which [said] THE owners will be heard. Such notice may be mailed to the last known address of the owner, or served in person upon any adult occupying the premises, or in the case of vacant or unimproved property, posted upon the premises. The classification of any property as made by the commission shall be final, subject only to revision at [said] THE hearing. The commission may change the classification of properties from time to time as [said] THE properties change in the uses to which they are put. [Said] THE benefit charge shall be levied for both water supply and sewerage construction and shall be based for each class of property upon the approximate cost of [said] THE construction as an integral part of the whole system, and either the number of front feet abutting upon the street, lane, road, alley, right of way or easement in which the water pipe or sewer is placed, or with respect to multi-unit classes, the number of units in or on the property abutting [said] THE water main or sewer line.

(b) All front foot benefit charges heretofore levied by [said] THE commission, whether by original levy or by increase, as the same stood charged by [said] THE commission against the respective properties on December the 31st,