

circumstances; prohibiting land or property from being taken by exercising the power of eminent domain under the provisions of this Act without just compensation being first paid to the party entitled to the compensation; declaring that all land or property taken under the provisions of this Act are needed or taken for a public use or a public benefit; requiring that a certain finding or determination be made before the acquisition of any single family or multiple family dwelling unit, or structure, is taken under the provisions of this Act; requiring the legislative body of a municipal corporation to adopt an ordinance for each acquisition made under the provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the authority of municipal corporations to exercise the power of eminent domain for development or redevelopment.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 23A – Corporations – Municipal

Section 2(b)(24)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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BY adding to

Article 23A – Corporations – Municipal

Section 2(b)(37)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 23A – Corporations – Municipal**

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(b) In addition to, but not in substitution of, the powers which have been, or may hereafter be, granted to it, such legislative body also shall have the following express ordinance-making powers:

(24) To acquire by conveyance, purchase or condemnation real or leasehold property needed for any public purpose; to erect buildings thereon for the benefit of the municipality; and to sell at public or private sale after twenty days' public notice and to convey to the purchaser or purchasers thereof any real or leasehold property belonging to the municipality when such legislative body determines that the same is no longer needed for any public use.

To take by gift, grant, bequest, or devise and to hold real and personal property absolutely or in trust for parks or gardens, or for the erection of statues, monuments, buildings or structures, or for any public use, upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the grantor or donor, and accepted by the municipality; to provide for the proper administration of the same; and to convey the same when such legislative body determines that it is no longer needed for public purposes, subject to the terms and conditions of the original grant.