

be applicable, as are provided herein for the opening, altering, relocating or closing of county roads, and to assess the benefits and award the damages arising therefrom in the same manner.

And in like manner, whenever it shall be advisable and feasible, and to the public interest, in the opinion of the said County Commissioners, to construct and connect a sewer or sewers or systems of sewers with the sewer system of the District of Columbia, they shall have power so to do, and to create and construct such sewerage system in or over any natural draining area; and provided further, that in constructing such sewer or sewers or systems of sewers so connected with the sewers of the District of Columbia, the entire cost of such construction, and all condemnations and other damages and property expenses connected therewith shall be assessed against the land constituting the drainage area and benefited by the same, and no part of such expenses shall be charged against the county; and any contract made for such construction shall be paid for to the contractors by allotting by the said County Commissioners of proper proportions and amounts of the proceeds of the benefits assessed and collectible against the land constituting the drainage area in each case affected, and all such assessments shall be collectible by the County Treasurer as herein provided for as to other assessments of benefits.

When any sewer, drain or ditch is so constructed as herein provided, said County Commissioners shall have the right to allow corrections to be made therewith from private or public property, upon such terms as they may decide to be proper and just.

177c. The said County Commissioners of Montgomery county shall have full power to agree and contract with owners of land or materials, the use of which may be required in connection with the opening of any new road, the construction or repair of any bridge, the relocating, straightening or widening of any road, the proper drainage of the roads of the county, or in connection with any other of the duties under this Act, and if they be unable for any reason to agree with the owners of any such land or materials, the use of which is required for any such purposes, and if other provisions of this sub-title, and if they be unable for any reason to agree with the owners of any such land or material the use of which is required for any such purposes, and if other provisions of this sub-title shall not in any such case be applicable or advisable under the circumstances, said Commissioners may proceed to condemn the same under the provisions of the law relative to condemnation