

FINANCE

164. *For the purpose of financing and paying for the construction, operation, maintenance, and repair of the water supply system, water plant, sanitary sewerage system, sewage treatment plant, storm water sewers, refuse collection and disposal system, city airport, and other improvements provided for under the provisions of this article, the City of Frederick shall have the power:*

(a) *To issue bonds in accordance with the provisions of Section 115 of this charter.*

(b) *To assess the cost of water, sewer, or storm water mains or any part thereof on the property abutting on the water, sewer, and storm water mains in accordance with Section 168 of this charter.*

(c) *To charge and collect such service rates, water rents, or other charges as may be necessary for water supplied and for the removal of sewage. These charges are to be billed and collected by the city register and collector of taxes, and, if water bills are uncollected within thirty days, the water may be turned off. All charges shall be a lien on the property, collectible in the same manner as city taxes or by suit at law.*

STREET LIGHTING

165. *The City of Frederick shall have the power to use electricity generated by its electric light plant to light the streets and public buildings of the city and for other municipal purposes. The use of the city's electric light plant, when used only for municipal purposes, shall not be subject to the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of Maryland. The city may contract with any party or parties for the lighting of the public ways and public buildings of the city and for electricity for any other municipal purpose. Any such contract shall run for a period of not longer than ten years and shall be subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission of Maryland.*

ELECTRICITY FOR PRIVATE USE

166. **THE CITY OF FREDERICK SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO SELL ELECTRICITY GENERATED BY ANY ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT OWNED OR OPERATED BY IT TO PRIVATE CONSUMERS OF ANY KIND WITHIN THE POLICE LIMITS OF THE CITY. BEFORE SELLING ELECTRICITY TO ANY**