

of the Board of Commissioners. The Board shall have the right to accept such bids as it shall deem most advantageous to the city and the owners of the property abutting on the public street or alley named to be improved, or may reject any and all bids; and where any improvement is ordered on different specifications, and for the construction of work or part thereof, with different material, and under different plans or methods of construction, or payment for such improvement, the board shall have full power, after opening bids to select such methods plans or materials for making such improvements or any part thereof, as it may deem best and to let the work to such bidder and upon such bid as it may select, subject to the terms thereof. No bid shall be amended revised or changed after being filed. All bids shall be accompanied by a certified check for five percent of the amount of such bid as a forfeiture in case of failure of the bidder or bidders, if successful in securing the work bid for, to enter into a contract and bond as required by this charter, for the performance of such work. When bids for such improvements have been accepted by the board the city shall enter into contract with the contractor or contractors, to whom the work has been let, for the performance thereof, which contract shall be executed in the name of the city ^{by its Mayor} and attested by the City Auditor or such other officer as may be designated by the board, with the corporate seal. The contractor or contractors to whom such work has been let, shall execute bond or bonds as may be required by the city board, as herein provided. Said bond or bonds to be approved by the board if satisfactory.

6. After excluding the cost of making any improvements between, and two feet on each side of the track and rails of railroads and street railroads, and the entire cost of any improvements crossing the rights of way of any railroad, which costs are to be assessed against, and wholly paid by the owners of such railroads as herein provided, and subject to the terms hereof, the City of Tulsa acting by its Board of Commissioners shall have power to assess the whole cost of construction, re-construction and repairing any side-walks, curbing, guttering and paving any street, avenue or alley ~~or part~~ or making any other improvements ordered under the terms hereof, against the owners of property abutting ^{upon} the street, avenue or alley or part or section thereof upon which such improvements are to be constructed, and who are specially benefitted thereby, and shall have power to fix a lien against ^{such} ~~said~~ property to secure the payment of the proportion of such costs assessed against the owners of such property, and in apportioning the costs of such improvements against abutting property owners, each quarter block shall be charged with its due proportion of paving, both the front and side streets ^{of} such block, and the alley or alleys therein, together with the area formed by street intersection and alley crossing, which cost shall be apportioned among the lots or sub-divisions of such quarter block, according to the benefit ^{to} of each lot or parcel. If any portion of the abutting property shall not be platted into lots and blocks the Board of Commissioners shall include such ground in proper quarter block districts, for the purpose of appraisalment and assessment as herein provided. Provided that in no event shall such costs be assessed against such owners or their property, or liability therefor finally determined, until after the hearing herein provided for and ^{after the} ~~the~~ adjustment of equities between such owners; and provided further, that the costs assessed against any property shall be in proportion to the frontage of the property of ^{each} ~~such~~ owner to the whole frontage of property in such quarter block, so ordered to be improved. Provided that if the application of this rule would, in the opinion of the board, in particular cases, be unjust or unequal it shall be the duty of the board to assess and apportion such costs in such proportion as it may deem just and equitable, having in view the special benefits in enhanced value to be received by each owner of such property, and the equities of such owners and the adjustment of such apportionment, so as to produce a substantial equality of benefits received by, and burdens imposed upon ^{each} ~~such~~ owners. The Board shall also