

districts of such number, shape and area as may be deemed best suited to carry out the purposes of this section. Any such regulation imposing a less percentage of lot occupancy, wider or larger courts, deeper yards or other more strict limitations than those provided by state, county, municipal or other local regulation shall within the area for which it is imposed, prevail over the said limitations provided by such state, county, municipal or other local regulation.

1927, ch. 448, sec. 23. 1929, ch. 286, sec. 23.

607. The zoning of the district may be based upon any combination of two or more of the purposes described in Sections 604, 605 and 606 of this subtitle. The respective District Councils may, from time to time, amend or change the number, shape, area or regulation of or within any district or districts; but no such amendment or change shall become effective unless the regulation proposing such amendment or change shall be first submitted to the Commission for approval, disapproval or suggestions, and the Commission shall have been allowed a reasonable time, not less than thirty days, for consideration and report. Similarly, in the original zoning regulations enacted by the District Councils, there shall be no change in or departure from the plan submitted by the Commission until and unless such change or departure shall first be submitted to the Commission for its approval, disapproval or suggestions, and the Commission shall have been allowed a reasonable time, not less than thirty days, for consideration and report. Before any regulation or regulations authorized by this section and Sections 604, 605 and 606 of this subtitle may be passed, the District Council shall hold a public hearing thereon and shall give thirty days' notice of the time and place thereof in two newspapers of general circulation respectively in the county in which the property is located, and during said thirty days the text or copy of the text of the regulations, together with the map or maps forming part of or referred to in the regulations shall be on file for public examination in the office of the clerks of the County Commissioners of said County. The cost of advertising in connection with publication of proposed changes in the zoning regulations or maps shall be paid by the persons or corporations making application for such changes.

1927, ch. 448, sec. 24.

608. There are hereby created and established two boards of zoning appeals—one for Montgomery County and one for Prince George's County. Each Board of Zoning Appeals shall consist of three (3) members, who shall be residents of that portion of the District within their respective counties and who shall be appointed by the respective Boards of County Commissioners. The terms of members shall be four years each, except that one of the first three members appointed to each Board of Zoning Appeals shall be for a term of one year. The member appointed for a vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term. All meetings of the Boards of Zoning Appeals shall be public and they shall organize annu-