

issuance of a building permit. No such permit shall be issued until the proposed construction for which the permit is applied shall have been first approved by the Zoning Commissioner, or, in the event of disapproval by the said Zoning Commissioner, upon a directive for such issuance by the Board of Zoning Appeals or the Circuit Court of Anne Arundel County. The Zoning Commissioner may require that applications for the above building permits be accompanied by such drawings and information as he may deem necessary to show the class, size and exact location of the proposed building or structure for which the permit is applied. In approving or disapproving applications for the above building permits, the Zoning Commissioner shall base his decision upon a strict interpretation of the Zoning Law or Laws and of the zoning maps and shall report in writing the basis of his decision, nor shall the said Zoning Commissioner by his decisions trespass within the authority of the Board of Zoning Appeals or of the courts alone to modify, as hereinbefore prescribed, the provisions of the Zoning Law or Laws promulgated under this Act. The Zoning Commissioner may issue permits in order to certify the class of occupancy of buildings, structures, or land, excepting residential and agricultural classes of occupancy. The Zoning Commissioner shall prepare and maintain maps of Anne Arundel County showing the current classification, boundaries and areas of all zones and shall prepare and maintain a Zoning Book containing all zoning regulations, together with amendments thereto, as promulgated by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County under this Act. Any copy of the said Zoning Book and maps when certified as accurate shall be deemed prima facie evidence. The said zoning maps and book shall be maintained at some location that will permit of their inspection by any private individual and copies of the zoning book shall be made available for distribution.

The construction of buildings or structures or the use of buildings, structures or land or the wilful issuance of permits in violation of any of the provisions of this Act or the provisions of any regulation adopted under this Act shall be deemed misdemeanors and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or thirty (30) days in jail or both. Where such violations are of a continuing nature, each day that the violation continues shall be deemed a separate misdemeanor. In order to prevent the unlawful construction of buildings or structures or the unlawful use of buildings, structures or land, action may be maintained in the Circuit Court of Anne Arundel County for a restraining order, temporary or permanent injunction or other appropriate measure by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel