

appeals may determine. All meetings of the zoning board of appeals shall be open to the public. The zoning board of appeals shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member on every question, or, if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall also keep records of its examinations and other official actions. Every order, requirement, decision, or determination of the zoning board of appeals shall immediately be filed in the office of the zoning board of appeals and shall be a public record.

APPEALS

188. The zoning board of appeals shall have the power to hear and determine appeals from refusal of building permits and/or use of land, to hear appeals where an error in the application of the zoning ordinances and regulations is charged, and to permit exceptions to or variations from the zoning ordinance or regulations in accordance with the principles, conditions, and procedure specified in the zoning ordinance or regulations.

AIRPORT ZONING

189. The City of Frederick is hereby authorized to administer zoning regulations at its city airport in accordance with the provisions of Article 1A of the 1947 Supplement to the Annotated Code of Maryland and any other state laws applicable to municipal airport zoning.

STATE PLANNING AND ZONING LAWS

190. The City of Frederick is hereby authorized to use such additional planning and zoning powers, not in conflict with the provisions of this charter, as may be authorized by Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 edition) or any other state legislation with regard to municipal planning and zoning.

ARTICLE XVI

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

POLICE COMMISSIONERS

191. Within five days after the effective date of this charter, the mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen, a bi-partisan commission consisting of five members, three of whom shall be selected from the majority political party in the city and two from