in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the District in that county.

In the event that the regulations or amendment are applicable throughout the District, at least one hearing shall be held within the portion of the District in each county, respectively; and thirty days' notice of the time and place of said hearings shall be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the District. If the regulations or amendment are applicable only within that portion of the District within one county, the hearings shall be held within that portion; and the said notice shall be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation therein.

The Commission shall prepare a plat of any land reserved for public use under the provisions of this section, showing the survey location of the said land, names and addresses of the owners and any other information required for filing among the land records of the county in which the land so reserved shall be located and for the proper indexing therein. The plat shall comply with all requirements for recording of plats among such land records, and shall be so recorded by the Clerk of the Court of the county in which the land is situated.

The sub-division regulations heretofore adopted by the Commission and now in effect within the respective portions of the District in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties shall be deemed to have been adopted in accordance with the foregoing provisions; and the said regulations shall apply respectively within the portions of the District within each county **[**as the same are now or may hereafter be defined by law **]** until modified in accordance with this section.

- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That Section 2-J of the said Maryland-Washington Regional District Act as enacted by Chapter 992 of the Acts of 1943, be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted with amendments to read as follows:
- The Commission shall approve or disapprove a sub-division plat within thirty days after the submission thereof; otherwise such plat shall be deemed to have been approved and a certificate to that effect shall be issued by the Commission upon demand; provided, however, that the applicant for the Commission's approval may waive this requirement and consent to the extension of such period. The ground of disapproval of any plat shall be stated upon the records of the Commission. Any plat submitted to the Commission shall contain the name and address of a person to whom notice of hearing may be sent; and no plat shall be acted upon by the Commission without affording a hearing thereon, notice of the time and place of which shall be sent by mail to said address not less than five days before the date fixed therefor; provided, however, that in his application applicant may waive such hearing and notice, and the approval of any plat exactly as submitted by the applicant shall be deemed a waiver of such hearing and notice. [The Commission is empowered to include in its sub-division, Such regulations may include provisions for notice to owners of properties that would be substantially affected by approval of any subdivision plat and for public hearings on such applications.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That except as otherwise provided herein, all Acts or parts of Acts or laws and parts of laws in-