

ning boards, as the occasion may arise, in such a manner as to effectuate the concept that planning functions which are essentially local or intra-county should be performed by the county planning boards.

#### **67. Adoption of Master Plan of Highways.**

(a) *Effect.*—When the Commission shall have adopted a master plan of highways of the Regional District and shall have certified the plan to the County Council and Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County and to the Board of County Commissioners and Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, thereafter no road, park, or other public way or ground, no public (including Federal) buildings or structures, and no public utility, whether publicly or privately owned, shall be located, constructed, or authorized in the Regional District until and unless the proposed location, character, grade, and extent thereof shall have been submitted to and approved by the Commission. In case of disapproval, the Commission shall communicate its reasons to the State, Federal, county, municipal, or district board, body, or official proposing to locate, construct, or authorize such public way, ground, building, structure, or utility. Thereupon such board, body, or official may in its discretion overrule the disapproval and proceed. The widening, extension, relocation, narrowing, vacation, abandonment, change of use of any road, park, or other public way or ground in the Regional District, or the acquisition or sale of any land in the Regional District by any public board, body, or official shall be subject to similar submission and approval; and the failure to approve may be similarly overruled. The failure of the Commission to act within sixty (60) days from and after the date of official submission to it shall be deemed an approval, unless a longer period be granted by the submitting board, body, or official.

#### **68. Authority to Establish Grades For Roads.**

The Commission has authority to establish grades for all roads within the Regional District. Until a grade is established by the Commission, no grading of a permanent nature shall be made. Any unauthorized grading by any State, municipal, or county officer or employee or by any private person is declared to be a misdemeanor and punishable as such under the general penalty provisions in this Article.

#### **69. Water Mains, Sewers, or Other Utilities in any Road in the Regional District.**

The Council of a municipality within the Regional District, the County Council of Montgomery County, the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, or any other State, county, district, municipal, or local board or body or officer authorized by law to accept, construct, establish, lay out, open, improve, grade, regrade, pave, curb, or light, or lay or authorize water mains or sewers or other utilities in any road in the Regional District shall not accept, construct, establish, lay out, open, improve, grade, regrade, pave, curb, or light any road within the Regional District or lay or authorize water mains or sewers or other utilities or connections to be laid