

time to time amend its regulations or any regulation, including the maps or any map. No such amendment shall be passed until it first be submitted to the Commission for approval, disapproval, or suggestions; and the Commission shall have been allowed a reasonable time, not less than six (6) months, for consideration and report. With the Commission's resolution transmitting its recommendations with respect to applications for zoning amendments under this section, there shall be transmitted a copy of the report of the Commission's technical staff thereon. 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 the 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 six (6) months, for consideration and report.

(b) Hearing.—Before any regulation or regulations authorized by this sub-title may be passed, the District Council shall hold a public hearing thereon and shall give notice of the time and place thereof by one insertion in two newspapers of general circulation respectively in the county in which the property is located. The insertions shall appear in said newspaper at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of hearing but not more than thirty-eight (38) days before the date of the hearing. During this thirty-day period 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 County Council of Montgomery County or in the office of the clerk to the County Commissioners of Prince George's County. The cost of advertising in connection with publication of proposed amendments in the zoning regulations or maps shall be paid by the persons or corporations making application for such changes.

(C) REFERRAL TO INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITIES

BEFORE THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT IN MONTGOMERY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF EITHER COUNTY BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY WITHIN ANY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY, THE APPLICATION FOR SUCH CHANGE SHALL BE REFERRED TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF SUCH INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY FOR ITS RECOMMENDATION; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE OF ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL SHALL BE REQUIRED BEFORE SAID COUNCIL MAY CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY WITHIN ANY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY CONTRARY TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF SUCH MUNICIPALITY THEREON. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION THE TERM "INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY" SHALL INCLUDE ANY CITY, TOWN, VILLAGE, OR ANY SPECIAL TAXING AREA WHICH HAS AN ELECTED LOCAL GOVERNING BODY AND PERFORMS GENERAL MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS.