

(c) to appropriate such funds and make such expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Article XII-A INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE PAYMENT OF ANY AND ALL PROPER COSTS AND EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH, OR INCIDENTAL TO, THE ACQUISITION OF LAND OR PROPERTY, AS AFORESAID, AND FOR THE DEMOLITION, REMOVAL, RELOCATION, RENOVATION OR ALTERATION OF LAND, BUILDINGS, STREETS, HIGHWAYS, ALLEYS, UTILITIES OR SERVICES, AND OTHER STRUCTURES OR IMPROVEMENTS, AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, RELOCATION OR REPAIR OF STREETS, HIGHWAYS, ALLEYS, UTILITIES OR SERVICES, IN CONNECTION WITH URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS, and to levy taxes and assessments for such purposes; to borrow money and to apply for and accept advances, loans, grants, contributions and any other form of financial assistance from the Federal Government, the State, County or other public bodies, or from any sources, public or private, for the purposes of this Article XII-A, and to give such security as may be required therefore; to invest any urban renewal funds held in reserves or sinking funds or any such funds not required for immediate disbursement, in property or securities which are legal investments for other municipal funds.

(d) to hold, improve, clear or prepare for redevelopment any property acquired in connection with urban renewal projects; to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise encumber such property; to insure or provide for the insurance of such property or operations of the municipality against any risks or hazards, including the power to pay premiums on any such insurance;

(e) to make and execute all contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers under this Article XII-A, including the power to enter into agreements with other public bodies or agencies (which agreements may extend over any period, notwithstanding any provision or rule of law to the contrary), and to include in any contract for financial assistance with the Federal Government for or with respect to an urban renewal project and related activities such conditions imposed pursuant to Federal laws as the municipality may deem reasonable and appropriate;

(f) AT REASONABLE HOURS to enter into any building or property in any urban renewal area in order to make inspections, surveys, appraisals, soundings or test borings, and to obtain an order for this purpose from the Circuit Court for the county in which the municipality is situated in the event entry is denied or resisted;

(g) to plan, replan, open, install, construct, relocate, widen, repair, close or vacate streets, roads, sidewalks, public utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other public improvements in connection with an urban renewal project; and to make exceptions from building regulations;

(h) to generally organize, coordinate and direct the administration of the provisions of this Article XII-A as they apply to the municipality in order that the objective of remedying slum and blighted areas and preventing the causes thereof within the municipality may be most effectively promoted and achieved;