

fiscal year 1964, \$100,000 to provide for the operation of the Regional Planning Council.

On or before August 1, 1963, and on or before August 1 of each year thereafter, The Council shall submit to the State Board of Public Works its operating budget for the next following fiscal year, together with supporting schedules to show that such budget is financed as herein provided, and upon approval of such budget by the State Board of Public Works, provision shall be made in the State Budget for such ensuing fiscal year for an appropriation equal to one-third of the budget of The Council so submitted and approved ; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE STATE OF MARYLAND'S CONTRIBUTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL REVIEW BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND SHALL NOT IN ANY EVENT EXCEED THAT AMOUNT THAT WOULD BE PRODUCED BY A LEVY OF AN AD VALOREM TAX OF ONE QUARTER OF A CENT PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) ON THE TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE OF ALL REAL PROPERTY FOR TAXATION PURPOSES IN THE AREA.

On or before October 1, 1963, and on or before October 1 of each year thereafter, The Council shall certify to each of the several budget officers or governing bodies of the City and the several Counties comprising the Area, the portion of the budget of The Council, approved as aforesaid, payable respectively by each, which portion shall be in the same ratio to two-thirds (2/3) of the budget that the assessed value of all REAL property in the respective City or County, as the case may be, ~~subject to unlimited local taxation~~ for the preceding taxable year, bears to the assessed value of all such REAL property in the Area; provided, nevertheless, that neither the City nor any County in the Area shall be required to pay as its portion, an amount which exceeds the amount that would be produced by a levy by the respective City or County, as the case may be, of an ad valorem tax of one half of one cent ($\frac{1}{2}\%$) per one hundred dollars on the said assessed value OF ALL REAL PROPERTY FOR STATE TAXATION PURPOSES in the respective City or County, as the case may be AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT IF AT ANY TIME THERE BE ANY AMENDMENT TO ~~THIS SECTION~~ THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE AMOUNT OR METHOD OF FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION BY THE SEVERAL SUBDIVISIONS, THE CITY OR COUNTY, AS THE CASE MAY BE, BY RESOLUTION OF ITS GOVERNING BODY, MAY EXCEPT ITSELF FROM ~~FURTHER PARTICIPATION UNDER ANY FUTURE COVERAGE BY ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE AND THAT THIS CONTRIBUTION OF THE CITY AND SEVERAL COUNTIES COMPRISING THE AREA SHALL NOT EXCEED TWICE THE AMOUNT OF THE STATE'S CONTRIBUTION.~~

Following the receipt of such certification, the City and each County comprising the Area shall, in its next succeeding annual appropriation for support of the local government, make provision from local revenues for its share of the budget of The Council, calculated as aforesaid, and shall pay such share to The Council in no less than quarterly installments in the year for which such local budget is adopted.

19. Additional Sources of Finance.

The Council may accept services, funds, gifts, or grants from