

(b) *Such coordination of planning shall be achieved, as follows:*

(1) *It shall be the duty and responsibility of each member of the Commission to serve as the liaison between the Commission, and the County by which he was appointed AND THE CITIES AND TOWNS LOCATED THEREIN and those members of the Commission who are also members of the Authority shall provide liaison between the Commission and the Authority to the end that the Commission, its component governments THE COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS EMBRACED WITHIN THE DISTRICT and such Authority, shall be continuously, comprehensively, and mutually advised of plans, policies and actions requiring consideration in the planning for transit and in the development of planned transit facilities-;*

(2) *Cooperate with and participate in any continuous, comprehensive, transportation planning process cooperatively established by the State Roads Commission of Maryland and the Counties and cities embraced within the District to meet the planning standards now or hereafter prescribed by the Federal-Aid Highway Acts; and*

(3) *To the extent not inconsistent with or in duplication of the planning process specified in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph (b), cooperate with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, MARYLAND STATE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, the National Capital Regional Planning Council, the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission and the Maryland State Roads Commission. Such cooperation shall include the creation, as necessary, of technical committees composed of personnel concerned with planning and collection and analysis of data relative to decision-making in the transportation planning process.*

(4) *Any provision herein to the contrary notwithstanding, the Commission shall comply with the provisions of Acts of General Assembly 1959, Chapter 780, Section 67, with respect to the referral to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission of the projects therein specified.*

19. *Records and Reports*

(a) *The Commission shall keep and preserve complete and accurate accounts and records of all monies received and disbursed by it and of all of its business and operations and of all property and funds owned or managed by it or under its control.*

(b) *On or before the first day of December in each year, the Commission shall make an annual report of the activities of the District for the preceding fiscal year to the County Council of Montgomery County and to the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County. Each such report shall include a complete operating and financial statement covering the operations of the District during the year. The Commission shall cause an audit to be made of the books and accounts of the District at least once in each year by certified public accountants and the cost thereof shall be treated as an item of administrative expense.*

20. *Tax Exemption*

The exercise of the powers granted by this subtitle is in all respects for the benefit of the people of the State of Maryland and of the