

(i) *The Director of the State Department of Planning, the Chairman-Director of the State Roads Commission, the Chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, OR AN ALTERNATE CHOSEN BY THE AUTHORITY, and the Chairman of the Maryland Port Authority, OR AN ALTERNATE CHOSEN BY THE AUTHORITY, shall serve ex officio as members of the Council.*

(j) *Permanent alternate members of the Council, duly appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Article, shall have full voting rights and powers, the same as regular members of the Council, when sitting as members of the Council or any committee or subcommittee thereof.*

(k) *Each appointing or designating authority, with the exception of the Governor, shall within 5 days from the date of an appointment, advise the Governor thereof.*

16.

The Regional Planning Council has these additional functions and powers:

(1) To conduct research required for the planning of the regional area, including the collection of data with respect to population trends, the social, economic, physical, and governmental factors affecting the development of the area; and The Council shall make its findings available to persons interested.

(2) To advise units of government concerning the relationship of any plans, projects, proposals, and policies adopted or under consideration by any such unit of government to other plans, projects, proposals, and policies applicable to the regional planning area.

(3) To prepare and make available to units of government recommended standards for building and subdivision-control ordinances, zoning, and other planning regulations, and for administrative practices and procedures under such ordinances or regulations.

(4) To prepare and recommend methods for establishing capital improvement programs and budgeting therefor, and schedules of priority of public projects ~~and operations~~ for units of government.

(5) To prepare, publish, and distribute an annual report and such other reports and plans as relate to the activities of The Council as authorized by this article to the Governor and General Assembly of Maryland and to each member of The Council.

(6) *To undertake studies, collect data, develop additional plans and programs and engage in such other activities as The Council finds necessary or desirable for the solution of ~~metropolitan or regional~~ problems AFFECTING MORE THAN ONE UNIT OF GOVERNMENT within the Area.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.*

Approved March 24, 1967.