

(1) HOLDING OF A PUBLIC HEARING BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE DESIGNATION OF A PROPOSED PUBLIC FACILITY AREA, PRIOR TO THE SIGNING OF A BINDING CONTRACT TO PURCHASE;

(2) ACQUISITION OF LAND WITHIN A PUBLIC FACILITY AREA;

(3) PREPARATION OF A PUBLIC FACILITY AREA PLAN;

(4) HOLDING OF LAND PENDING A SUITABLE TIME FOR DISPOSITION;

(5) CONDUCTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PUBLIC FACILITY AREA PLAN PRIOR TO DISPOSITION OF ANY LAND FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT; AND

(6) DISPOSITION OF LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT ACCORDING TO THE PUBLIC FACILITY AREA PLAN.

*26A-4. Powers and authority of Council generally.*

*(a) The County Council for Montgomery County is hereby authorized and empowered to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter:*

*(b) Generally. To carry out public facility area development projects, which shall be limited to public facility areas.*

*(c) Acquisition of land and property. To acquire in connection with land bank projects, within Montgomery County, Maryland, land and property of every kind and any right, title, interest, franchise, easement, or privilege therein, including land or property of any right therein already devoted to public use by purchase, gift, option, or any other legal means, excluding condemnation, for development or redevelopment purposes. BY PURCHASE, GIFT, OPTION, OR ANY OTHER LEGAL MEANS, EXCLUDING CONDEMNATION, LAND AND PROPERTY OF EVERY KIND AND ANY RIGHT, TITLE, INTEREST, FRANCHISE, EASEMENT, OR PRIVILEGE THEREIN, FOR USE IN A PUBLIC FACILITY AREA DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.*

*(d) Plans and surveys. To make or have made all surveys and plans necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and to adopt or approve, modify and amend such plans, which plans may include but are not limited to: the identification of areas appropriate for public facility area development projects, AND the preparation of public facility area plans. , and appraisals, title searches, etc.*

*(e) Public improvements. To plan, replan, install, construct, repair, or abandon such roads and utilities as may be necessary to serve the public facility area.*

*(f) (E) Sale, lease, etc., of property acquired. To sell, lease, convey, transfer or otherwise dispose of or retain any land or property acquired in a public facility area, regardless of whether or not it has been developed, redeveloped, altered or improved and irrespective of the manner or means in or by which it may have been acquired, to any private, public or quasi public corporation, partnership, association, person or other legal entity. Prior to such dispo-*