

[(2) Any Plans Now Adopted Shall Remain Effective. In Montgomery County, with regard to local master plans in preparation, but not adopted on or before the effective date of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the Council a statement of the concepts guidelines, and goals which it is following in the preparation of each such plan. Such statement shall be approved or disapproved in accordance with the procedure set forth in Section (f).]

1(72) (70-83) (59-77) Approval or disapproval of subdivision plats and Prince George's County preliminary Subdivision Plans.

The commission shall approve or disapprove a subdivision plat within thirty (30) days after the submission thereof; otherwise, the plat shall be deemed to have been approved, and a certificate to that effect shall be issued by the commission upon demand. In Prince George's County, each office to which a preliminary subdivision plan is referred will return one copy of the plan to the Board within thirty (30) days with its comments noted thereon; if such reply is not made within thirty (30) days by any office to whom referred, the plan shall be deemed to be approved by it. In Prince George's County, the commission shall approve or disapprove a preliminary subdivision plan within seventy (70) days after the submission thereof; otherwise, the preliminary subdivision plan shall be deemed to have been approved, and a certificate to that effect shall be issued by the commission upon demand. The applicant for the commission's approval may waive either or both of these requirements and consent to the extension of such periods; provided, however, that in Prince George's County no such waiver may be for a period greater than the original period allowed for approval of such plat or preliminary plan. The ground of disapproval of any plat shall be stated upon the records of the commission. Any plat submitted to the commission shall contain the name and address of a person to whom notice of hearing may be sent; and no plat shall be sent by mail to said address not less than five (5) days before the date fixed therefor. In his application, however, the applicant may waive such hearing and notice, and the approval of any plat exactly as submitted by the applicant shall be deemed a waiver of such hearing and notice. [Such] *The subdivision regulations may include provisions for notice to owners of properties that would be substantially affected by approval of any subdivision plat and for public hearings on such applications [.] and may include provisions for an appeal to the District Council from a decision approving or disapproving a subdivision plat.*

1(75) (70-86) (59-80) [Zoning] Powers of District Councils Generally.

(a) *Designation of District Councils; Bi-county District Council.* The County Council of Montgomery County and the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County are each individually designated, for the purposes of this article, as the District Council for that portion of the Regional District lying within each county, respectively. Sitting together, they are jointly designated, for the special purposes delineated in this article, as the Bi-county District Council for the entire Maryland-Washington Regional District. The adoption of an ordinance or resolution by the Bi-county District Council shall be accomplished only by the affirmative votes of a majority of the total membership of each District Council.