

“Article II. Powers of County Generally.”

*Section 2.* Subsection (a) of Section 2-17, Chapter 2, title “Administration,” of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-17. Corporate powers generally.

(a) In addition to its corporate powers heretofore granted, the county is hereby authorized and empowered:

(1) To acquire by purchase, gift, devise or bequest, sites for county schools and to enlarge or improve such sites and to construct, alter, enlarge, improve, develop or extend existing county schools, and to construct new school buildings and purchase the physical equipment necessary or incident thereto and to purchase, construct or otherwise acquire any other buildings or equipment other than schools considered necessary for educational purposes;

(2) To acquire by purchase, gift, devise or bequest rights-of-way for county roads and to lay out, open, construct, improve, extend and replace county roads, streets, highways, culverts, viaducts and bridges;

(3) To contribute toward the cost of highway projects of the state roads commission located in the county;

(4) To enlarge, renew, replace, alter and improve existing county public buildings and to acquire by purchase, gift, devise or bequest sites for and to construct or otherwise acquire new buildings to be used for any legal governmental or municipal functions;

(5) And provided further that the county may contract or covenant with the government of the United States and of the state and with any commission, board, district or authority for the purpose of carrying out the powers conferred by this section, including the method of financing in whole or in part the projects authorized herein.

*Section 3.* Section 2-69, Chapter 2, title “Administration,” of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-69. Acquisition of land.

The county is hereby authorized to acquire by grant, purchase, lease or condemnation any land or improvements necessary or appropriate for the purposes herein stated, and may construct such buildings and make such other improvements as are necessary or appropriate for such purposes, either on the land so acquired or on land held or acquired by the United States of America, the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the state or any other public agency; provided, that if the consent of any government or agency thereof is required by law for the use of such land such consent shall first be obtained.

*Section 4.* Section 2-135, Chapter 2, title “Administration,” of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-135. Purchase or lease of land—By county generally.

Before contracting to acquire any land for a public purpose by lease for five years or more or purchase or authorizing the acquisition of any