

(d) Management Section. The management section shall assist the county executive and chief administrative officer in the development and implementation of effective management practices.

(e) Information Section. The information section shall assist the county executive in the establishment and maintenance of a comprehensive information program.

*Section 2.* Section 2-36, Chapter 2, title "Administration," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-36. Powers and duties of director generally.

The director of finance is hereby authorized and directed under the general direction of the county executive:

(a) Audit of claims, vouchers, etc. To audit and pre-audit all accounts, claims, demands or vouchers presented to the county for payment.

(b) Accounting system, etc. To prescribe the system of accounts, reports and expenditure and receipt documents to be used by all of the officers of the county government, except as the same may now or hereafter be prescribed by law.

(c) Financial records. To keep the financial records of the county government.

(d) Investigations of county departments; reports. To make such investigation of the financial organization, activities and methods of procedure of the several county departments and establishments as he may be called upon to make by the county executive. In submitting any report, the director of finance may adopt as his report the report of any independent public accountants retained by the county to the extent that the form and content on the report of such independent public accountants comply with the requirements relating to the report being submitted by the director of finance.

*Section 3.* Section 2-38, Chapter 2, title "Administration," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-38. Agent to assist director when acting as registrar of bonds, etc.

Whenever it shall be in the best interests of the county, the county executive is authorized and empowered to designate an agent or agents to assist the director of finance acting in his capacity of registrar for the principal or interest of any issue of bonds, notes or obligations of the county, whether issued or to be issued, for which the director has been or may be named as registrar by any resolution or resolutions of the county council authorizing the issuance or sale of such bonds, notes or obligations. The terms and conditions of the appointment of such agent or agents shall be fixed by the county executive; provided, however, that such agent or agents shall in all cases be a national bank or shall be a bank and trust company regularly engaged in business in the State of Maryland, and such national bank or bank and trust company shall have capital and surplus amounting to at least three million dollars.

*Section 4.* Section 2-40, Chapter 2, title "Administration," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: