

or next business meeting, as the case may be. This objection must be made before a date for public hearing has been set, and the objection can be made when another member has the floor.

13.3 *Postpone Indefinitely.*

After any bill or resolution has been debated, it may either be voted down or postponed indefinitely, both of which have the same effect. A motion to postpone indefinitely cannot be made while any motion except the original or main question is pending, but a motion to postpone indefinitely can be made after an amendment has been acted upon, and the main question, as amended, is before the Council. This motion opens the merits of the main question to debate as to as great an extent as if the main question were before the Council, and therefore, it is necessary also to move the previous question in order to cut off debate and bring the Council to an immediate vote. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Council shall be necessary to postpone indefinitely.

Section 14. *EXERCISE OF ZONING, PLANNING AND SUBDIVISION POWERS.*

14.1 *Exercise of Zoning, Planning and Subdivision Powers.*

The procedures for the Council to exercise its powers of zoning, planning or subdividing shall be as prescribed by the Regional District Act, Chapter 70, Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended; by other applicable law enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland; by the Zoning or Subdivision Ordinances; or otherwise as prescribed by the Council by law.

Section 15. *ADOPTION OR APPROVAL OF RULES AND REGULATIONS.*

15.1 *Adoption.*

The Council shall sit in non-legislative regular business meetings for the adoption by resolution of rules and regulations which implement or provide for the administration or execution of legislation. Notice and hearing provisions prescribed by law shall be followed. In absence of any other law requirements, provisions for notice and hearing, if the Council in its discretion determines the same is necessary, shall be as the Council shall by resolution provide in considering the particular rule or regulation for adoption.

15.2 *Approval of Regulations.*

The Council shall consider the rules or regulations adopted by the Personnel Board or by the County Executive or any other body or person, which rules and regulations require Council approval in non-legislative business meetings and shall act by resolution.

Section 16. *APPOINTMENTS; CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS*

16.1 *Career Appointments; Secretary and Employees.*

The Personnel Board shall establish in accordance with the Personnel Regulations, subject to the budget, appropriate grades for the Secretary and other employees of the Council. Whenever there is a vacancy existing in the office of Secretary, the President of the Council, together with such other persons or members as the County Council may direct, shall interview applicants qualified for such position and shall make recommendation to the full Council. Appointment of the Secretary shall be by resolu-