

SEC. 15. Section 24-32, Chapter 24, title "Streets and Roads," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed in its entirety and a new Section 24-32 is hereby added in lieu thereof to read as follows:

24-32. Same—Public hearing required prior to authorization of construction and assessment of benefits; notice; publication.

(a) Before any road construction shall be authorized, a public hearing thereon shall be held by the County Executive or his designee. Any interested person shall be entitled to appear and be heard at such hearing. Notice of such hearing shall be sent by certified or registered mail, at least two weeks before the scheduled date of the hearing, to the owners of the property subject to assessment for the proposed construction as listed in the records of the Department of Finance.

(b) All notices issued pursuant to this Section shall contain the following:

- (1) The time and place of the hearing;
- (2) The location of the construction which is the subject of the hearing;
- (3) The extent and kind of construction intended;
- (4) The type of materials to be used;
- (5) The estimated cost of construction;
- (6) Identification of the real property that there is reason to believe will be benefited by the construction.

(c) A summary of the notice provided for in this Section shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County before the scheduled date of the hearing. Such summary shall include a statement indicating where a full copy of the text may be obtained.

SEC. 16. Section 24-33, Chapter 24, title "Streets and Roads," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed in its entirety and a new Section 24-33 is hereby added in lieu thereof to read as follows:

24-33. Same—Authorization of construction; recommendation of assessments to Council; contents.

(a) If, after the hearing provided for in Section 24-32 of this Code, the County Executive shall find that the public interest requires that any road construction project under consideration, or any portion thereof, be carried out, he shall, by written order authorize such construction or portion thereof in conformity with the Montgomery County Road Construction Code in force at the time.