

b. The Secretary shall also cause to be published as required by Section 3, Article IX-A of the Constitution of Maryland, the full text of all legislation enacted by the Council which becomes law. Publication shall be once a week for three successive weeks in at least one newspaper published in the County, so that the taxpayers and citizens may have notice thereof. If the publication requirements of the Maryland Constitution are changed, the Secretary shall comply with any amended requirements but shall not be bound to publish if not required, except as may be prescribed otherwise herein.

c. The Secretary shall provide for publication of the proceedings of the Council by making available promptly after approval by the Council copies of the written minutes of all public sessions and copies of the written journal of all legislative sessions of the Council. The copies of the minutes and journal shall be in printed or typewritten form and sufficient number of copies shall be reproduced to meet all reasonable public requests for copies in addition to a true copy being made available to any members of the public for reading at the office of the County Council.

#### 1.9 *Permanent Records.*

The Secretary shall maintain the permanent journal of legislation, which journal shall contain the proceedings of the Council in legislative session. The Secretary shall maintain a permanent record of every law as finally passed and enrolled. The Secretary shall also maintain a permanent record of all minutes and proceedings of the Council, including a permanent file of resolutions and a permanent file of ordinances enacted by the Council. The Director of Council Staff shall be responsible for maintaining in a secure, fire protected storage area all current and prior permanent records of the Board of County Commissioners, and of the County Council, together with true and exact copies of all rules and regulations adopted by the County Council or adopted by the County Executive, the Board of Health or any other body or person authorized to adopt laws, rules, regulations and orders of a permanent nature. Microfilm of records shall be maintained in a separate, locked fire proof place and a copy shall be filed under regulations of the State of Maryland Hall of Records Commission.

SEC. 2. Subsection 2.7 of Section 2 of Chapter 1A, title "County Council," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments to read as follows:

Section 2. LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS; OTHER MEETINGS; NEWS MEDIA; PUBLIC PARTICIPATION; NOTICE; SIGN LIMITATION; WILLFUL DISTURBANCE.