

VACANT AND ANY MEMBER OF SAID BOARD SHALL SERVE UNTIL HIS SUCCESSOR TAKES OFFICE.

(4) THE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO APPOINT A SECRETARY OF THE BOARD AND SUCH OTHER ASSISTANTS AND EMPLOYEES AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE PROPER PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES AND BUSINESS OF THE BOARD AND ALL OF THE APPOINTMENTS SHALL BE MADE PURSUANT TO THE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO OR ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.

(F) THE BOARD OF AIRPORT ZONING APPEALS IS AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO HEAR, DECIDE AND GRANT SPECIFIC VARIANCES FROM AIRPORT ZONING REGULATIONS IN CASES OF PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY OR UNNECESSARY HARDSHIP AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AND A HEARING HELD IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. ANY PERSON DESIRING TO ERECT ANY STRUCTURE OR INCREASE THE HEIGHT OF ANY STRUCTURE, OR PERMIT THE GROWTH OF ANY TREE, OR OTHERWISE USE HIS PROPERTY, IN VIOLATION OF ANY AIRPORT ZONING REGULATION, MAY MAKE APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE FROM THE AIRPORT ZONING REGULATIONS IN QUESTION. IN ALL APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCE PERMITS THE BOARD SHALL ACT AS A FACT-FINDING BODY AND AS A GUIDE TO ITS DECISION SHALL GIVE CONSIDERATION, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, GUIDES AND STANDARDS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION AND IN THE AIRPORT ZONING RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION, IF ANY, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

(1) THE GUIDES AND STANDARDS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION;

(2) THE HEIGHT AND WIDTH OR PROPOSED HEIGHT AND WIDTH AND USE OR PROPOSED USE OF THE PARTICULAR STRUCTURE OR TREE IN CONNECTION WITH WHICH A VARIANCE FROM THE AIRPORT ZONING REGULATIONS IS BEING REQUESTED;

(3) WHETHER OR NOT THE PARTICULAR STRUCTURE OR TREE WILL CREATE OR BECOME AN AIRPORT HAZARD; AND

(4) WHETHER OR NOT THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH PERMIT WILL RESULT IN ENDANGERING THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, SECURITY OR ORDER.

(G) APPEALS MAY BE TAKEN FROM ANY DECISION OF THE BOARD OF AIRPORT ZONING APPEALS TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR [[ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY LOCATED IN ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND,]] THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE STATE OWNED AIRPORT IS LOCATED IN THE MANNER INDICATED IN SECTION 8-801 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(H) THE AIRPORT ZONING REGULATIONS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE POWER AND AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION AND ALL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8-801 AND THIS