

the entire Maryland-Washington Regional District. The adoption of an ordinance or resolution by the bi-county district council shall be accomplished only by the affirmative votes of a majority of the total membership of each district council.

(b) Each district council [is], respectively [empowered], in accordance with the conditions and procedures specified in this article, [to] MAY regulate, by ordinance, in the portion of the regional district lying within its county, (1) the location, height, bulk, and size of buildings, other structures, and units therein, building lines, minimum frontages, depths and areas of lots, and percentages of lots which may be occupied; (2) the size of lots, yards, courts, and other open spaces; (3) the erection of temporary stands and structures; (4) the density and distribution of population; (5) the location and uses of buildings and structures and units therein for trade, industry, residence, recreation, agriculture, public activities, and other purposes; and (6) the uses of land, including surface, subsurface, and air rights therein, for building, trade, industry, residence, recreation, agriculture, forestry, or other purposes. No regulation [shall] MAY prohibit the use of any land by the owner of such land or the holder of any easement or right therein or his tenant for farming, other agricultural uses exclusively or, within Prince George's County for the purposes of storing natural or artificial gas at a level below [five hundred] 500 feet from the surface of the earth. The county council for Montgomery County, sitting as a district council, [shall] MAY not receive an application for a zoning map amendment upon the same land which has been the subject of a previous zoning application for map amendment filed after June 1, 1965, for the same zoning classification upon which there was a decision on the merits unless [thirty-six] 36 months have expired since the filing of the application for the previous zoning map amendment upon which there was a decision on the merits[; and be it further provided, that]. FURTHER, an application for a zoning map amendment filed with the county council for Montgomery County, sitting as a district council, shall set forth the names of all persons having a substantial interest in the subject property of the application, such substantial interest to include all those persons with a share in such property amounting to five percent or more whether held in an individual or corporate capacity of the full cash value of such property exclusive of all mortgages, deeds of trust, liens and encumbrances[, and]. IT shall also set forth the names of all contract purchasers and all those persons holding a mortgage, a deed of trust, or an option to purchase [such] THE property[; provided, however, that]. HOWEVER, the foregoing time limitation