

COUNTY LOCAL LAWS

COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Act shall take effect sixty (60) days after its enactment.

Approved May 10, 1974

Council Bill No. 21

AN ACT to authorize the County Executive to acquire by purchase, gift or for public purposes as such purposes are set forth in any capital improvement expenditure appropriation ordinance, the fee simple or leasehold or such other interest as the County Executive may deem to be necessary or desirable in any real property located within Howard County, including any or all property rights, interest, easements or franchises in the same; and to empower the Council to authorize the institution of condemnation proceedings after Public Hearing.

WHEREAS, Article 25A of the Public General Laws of Maryland gives Charter Counties the authority to provide for the acquisition and condemnation of property required for public purposes in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Howard County Charter was adopted by the voters with the understanding that there would be public participation in all matters affecting public health, safety and welfare; and

THEREFORE, the following procedure shall be utilized in Howard County for the acquisition of real property for public purposes.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, that Section 4.200 be and is hereby added to Title 4 of the Howard County Code, "Contracts and Purchasing," Subtitle 2, "Real Property," to read as follows:

4.200 - ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE IS AUTHORIZED TO ACQUIRE BY PURCHASE, GIFT OR LEASE FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES AS SUCH PURPOSES ARE SET FORTH IN ANY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, THE FEE SIMPLE OR LEASEHOLD OR SUCH OTHER INTEREST AS THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAY DEEM TO BE NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE IN ANY REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OR ALL