

(ii) Renovate a building or build a public group home that meets the requirements of:

1. The State plan;
2. The regulations issued under § 7-904 of this title relating to community-based residential services; and
3. The program accessibility requirements of the federal regulations (45 C.F.R. §§ 84.21 through 84.23).

(2) Before acquiring the site, the Secretary shall give the governing [body] BODIES for the county AND THE MUNICIPALITY AND, UPON REQUEST, THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM THE DISTRICT where the site is located and the community around the site notice of the intention of this State to acquire and improve the site.

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(a) When an application for certificate of approval is filed, the Department shall have an investigation made of:

- (1) The applicant;
- (2) The private group home ~~OR ALTERNATIVE-LIVING-UNIT~~ for which approval is sought;
- (3) The facts stated in the application;
- (4) The number of other group homes or alternative living units in the neighborhood;
- (5) The public utilities and services available; and
- (6) The access to transportation, shopping and recreational facilities, and health-related services.

(b) When an application for certificate of approval is filed, the Secretary shall hold a public hearing on the application.

(c) (1) [The Secretary shall publish a notice of the hearing within] WITHIN 60 days of receipt of the completed application, THE SECRETARY SHALL:

(I) PUBLISH A NOTICE OF THE HEARING; AND

(II) GIVE NOTICE TO THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITY AND, UPON REQUEST, THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM THE DISTRICT WHERE THE PRIVATE GROUP HOME IS TO BE LOCATED.