of any department, division, commission, board, bureau or agency of the State or-of-any-political-subdivision-of-the-State,-except in--instances-where-the-Authority-is-required-by-this-subtitle-to obtain-all--applicable--licenses--and--permits;--and--follow--the required--procedures; and without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things than proceedings, conditions, or things which are specifically required by this subtitle; except that: 1. [with respect to the market, the consent of the Regional Planning Council shall be obtained; 2. the market] THE AUTHORITY SHALL, WHERE REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE, OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHERE THE PROJECT IS LOCATED, OBTAIN ALL APPLICABLE LICENSES AND PERMITS, AND FOLLOW THE REQUIRED PROCEDURES; 2. A PROJECT shall be subject to all applicable laws and regulations of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and shall be subject to all zoning and subdivision regulations of the political subdivision in which the [market] PROJECT is located; [3. the park shall be subject to all applicable laws and regulations of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and shall be subject all zoning and subdivision regulations of the political subdivision in which the park is located; 4.] 3. construction of the--park A PROJECT may not begin unless a comprehensive study establishes that the construction and operation of the PROJECT would be both economically and environmentally sound;

4. EXCEPT FOR THE MARYLAND FOOD CENTER, CONSTRUCTION OF A PARK 4. EXCEPT FOR THE MARYLAND FOUN CENTER, CONSTRUCTION OF A FARA OR OTHER FOOD OR AGRICULTURALLY RELATED REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT UNDERTAKEN BY THE AUTHORITY MAY NOT BEGIN UNLESS: A. AN ANALYSIS OF THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES; AND B. THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE HAS AN APPROPRIED TO COMMENT WITHIN AS DAVE OF RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSAL: OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT WITHIN 45 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSAL; [and 5. Maryland Food Center Authority construction, financing, or working drawings for the development of the park may not begin until the project is approved by the General Assembly. Provided further that] $-2 \div - 4 \div 5$ all plans and any issue of bonds for the financing of the facilities of the Authority shall first be submitted to and be approved prior to the sale thereof by resolution of the Board of Public Works; and [provided further, that] -3-- 5-- 6. all other plans, contracts, and leases, acquiring, transferring, or conveying property shall have the approval of the Board of Public Works;

(ii) In carrying out its duties responsibilities, the Authority shall comply with Title 14, Subtitle 3 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and the minimum minority business participation requirements enumerated therein. In addition, the Authority shall take affirmative steps to include minority businesses in its markets and the park to at least the same extent as required by Title 14, Subtitle 3 of the State Finance and Procurement Article;

(4) Make contracts and leases and execute all instruments necessary or convenient, including contracts