

vice-chairman, who shall serve during the absence or incapacity of the chairman, and such other officers as The Council may establish by its bylaws and rules of procedure.

9.

The [Regional Planning] ~~METROPOLITAN-BALTIMORE-PLANNING--AND DEVELOPMENT--Council~~ BALTIMORE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS shall adopt bylaws and rules of procedure to govern the conduct of its business. It may appoint an executive committee and delegate to it such powers as The Council may deem appropriate except the adoption or amendment of the regional development plan.

10.

The employment, compensation, and tenure of an executive officer may be made by the [Regional Planning] ~~METROPOLITAN BALTIMORE-PLANNING-AND--DEVELOPMENT--Council~~ BALTIMORE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS without being subject to any of the provisions and restrictions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Merit System." The executive officer (with the approval of the Council) may appoint 4 additional department or section heads without being subject to the provisions and restrictions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Merit System." The Council may also employ or retain counsel or consultants without being subject to the provisions and restrictions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Merit System." All other employees of the Council shall be subject generally to the provisions and restrictions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Merit System."

11.

The [Regional Planning] ~~METROPOLITAN-BALTIMORE-PLANNING--AND DEVELOPMENT--Council~~ BALTIMORE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS may act only by the affirmative vote of not less than eleven members.

12.

(b) The [Regional Planning] ~~METROPOLITAN-BALTIMORE-PLANNING AND-DEVELOPMENT--Council~~ BALTIMORE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS shall establish a period for the completion of the suggested general development plan.

13.

The [Regional Planning] ~~METROPOLITAN-BALTIMORE-PLANNING--AND DEVELOPMENT--Council~~ BALTIMORE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS may adopt the entire plan or portion thereof that are complete in themselves, after public hearings, by the affirmative vote of not less than eleven members thereof.