

(5) Adopt and promulgate rules, regulations, orders and directives relating to, or in connection with the movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the county.

(6) Make recommendations to the county executive for the improvement of traffic conditions in the county [which cannot be accomplished by the directives, order, rules or regulations promulgated by the director of public safety.]

(7) To prohibit parking on any portion or portions of any public highway within one hundred fifty feet of its intersection with any other public highway or railroad right of way.

(8) To prohibit parking and designate one-way streets in the event of emergencies for a period not to exceed forty-five days.

(9) To pass and adopt reasonable rules and regulations governing parking, traffic and the movement of vehicles in the vicinity of any fair, game, parade or other public event where a large gathering of people or vehicles is anticipated.

Provided, however, that the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* shall not have the power to adopt and promulgate rules, regulations, orders or directives in the nature of general permanent parking restrictions or to establish permanent one-way streets; the power to make general permanent parking restrictions and to establish permanent one-way streets is hereby specifically reserved to the County Council.

#### 18-14. Records of rules and regulations.

The Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* shall keep a record of all rules, regulations, orders and directives issued by him, which records shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable times.

#### 18-15. Employment of personnel.

(1) With the approval of the county administrative officer, the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* may employ such assistants, aides and employees as may be deemed necessary for the proper performance of the duties and functions imposed by this article, within the available appropriation or allotment therefor.

(2) With the approval of the county executive, the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* may employ or hire, from time to time, by contract consulting, planning or designing engineers or other persons possessing technical or specialized skills in connection with the duties powers and functions imposed upon the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* by this article, provided that the cost thereof does not exceed available appropriations or allotments therefor.

#### 18-16. Traffic-control devices erected by director—Interfering, etc., with devices.

It shall be unlawful for any person, without lawful authority, to wilfully deface, injure, move or interfere with any sign, standard, post, safety zone, semaphore, tower, automatic signal or any other traffic device, or any part thereof, erected by the authority of the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering*, or any directions, lines or marks painted by the authority of the Director of [public safety] *Traffic Engineering* on any pavement, curb or roadway for the purpose of directing traffic or parking vehicles.

#### 18-17. Same Failure, refusal, etc., to comply with devices.

It shall be unlawful for any person to fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any instructions or direction on any post, standard, sign or other