

large degree upon the sound and orderly development of urban communities. In pursuit of this basic objective, the President shall establish rules and regulations for uniform application in the formulation, evaluation, and review of urban development programs and projects for the provision of federally aided urban facilities, and Federal projects having a significant impact on the development of urban and urbanizing communities. Such rules and regulations shall provide for full consideration of the concurrent achievement of the following specific objectives of urban development, and, to the extent authorized by law, reasoned choices shall be made between such objectives when they conflict:

- (1) Appropriate land uses for residential, commercial, industrial, governmental, institutional, and other purposes;
 - (2) Wise development and conservation of natural resources, including land, water, minerals, wildlife, and others;
 - (3) Balanced transportation systems, including highway, air, water, pedestrian, mass transit, and other modes for the movement of people and goods;
 - (4) Adequate outdoor recreation and open space;
 - (5) Protection of areas of unique natural beauty, historical, and scientific interest;
 - (6) Properly planned community facilities, including utilities for the supply of power, water, and communications, for the safe disposal of wastes, and for other purposes;
 - (7) Any other objective through which urban development activities can contribute to the economic, social, and cultural development of the Nation, its strength in world affairs, and the achievement of enhanced levels of living; and
 - (8) Concern for high standards of design.
- (b) All viewpoints—national, regional, State, and local—shall, to the extent possible, be fully considered and taken into account in planning urban development programs and projects. Regional, State, and local government objectives shall be considered and evaluated within a framework of national public objectives, and available projections of future national conditions and needs of regions, States, and localities shall be considered in plan formulation, evaluation, and review.
- (c) To the maximum extent possible, consistent with national objectives, all Federal aid for urban development purposes shall be consistent with and further the objectives of State and local government comprehensive planning for urban development. Consideration shall be given to all developmental aspects of the total urban community, including but not limited to housing, transportation, economic development, natural resources development, community facilities, and the general improvement of living environments.
- (d) Each Federal department and agency administering an urban development aid program shall, to the maximum extent practicable, consult with and seek advice from all other significantly affected Federal departments and agencies in an effort to assure fully coordinated programs.
- (e) Insofar as possible, systematic planning required by individual Federal programs (such as highway construction, urban renewal, and open space) shall be coordinated with and made part of comprehensive local and areawide urban-development planning.

FAVORING UNITS OF GENERAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SEC. 402. Where Federal law provides that both special-purpose units of local government and units of general local government are eligible to receive loans or grants-in-aid for urban development, heads of Federal departments and agencies shall, in the absence of substantial reasons to the contrary, make such loans or grants-in-aid for urban development to units of general local government rather than to special-purpose units of local government.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

SEC. 403. The Bureau of the Budget or such other agency as may be designated by the President is hereby authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as are deemed appropriate for the effective administration of this title.