124.669 Regulation of land and water; public improvements and services; operation; establishment of divisions, bureaus, and committees; expenses; data collection and storage; feasibility studies; applicability of other laws.

Sec. 19. (1) The articles may authorize a metropolitan area council to propose standards, criteria, and suggested model ordinances to regulate the use and development of land and water within the council area.

(2) To the extent authorized in the articles, a metropolitan area council may plan, promote, finance, issue bonds for, acquire, improve, enlarge, extend, own, construct, replace, or contract for public improvements and services including, but not limited to, the following:
   (a) Water and sewer public improvements and services.
   (b) Solid waste collection, recycling, and disposal.
   (c) Parks, museums, zoos, wildlife sanctuaries, and recreational facilities.
   (d) Special use facilities.
   (e) Ground and air transportation and facilities, including airports.
   (f) Economic development and planning for the metropolitan area council area.
   (g) Higher education public improvements and services.
   (h) Community foundations as that term is defined in section 261 of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.261.

(3) A council established under this act shall not contract for the operation by another person of a public improvement or service acquired by the council pursuant to this act.

(4) A metropolitan area council may establish divisions, bureaus, and committees, including advisory committees. Members of advisory committees shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses as determined by the council.

(5) A metropolitan area council in cooperation with other agencies and departments of the state and the state universities may develop a center for data collection and storage to be used by the council and other governmental users and may furnish information on subjects such as population, land use, and governmental finances.

(6) A metropolitan area council may study the feasibility of programs relating but not limited to water supply, refuse disposal, surface water drainage, communication, transportation, and other subjects of concern to the participating local governmental units and may institute demonstration projects in connection with the studies.

(7) Revenue bonds issued under this act are subject to the revenue bond act of 1933, 1933 PA 94, MCL 141.101 to 141.140.

(8) Bonds, other than revenue bonds described in subsection (7), issued under this act are subject to the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821.