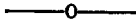


City Council in special session from time to time as, in his opinion, the public business demands. The President also may call the City Council to meet in special session whenever in his opinion such action is desirable, and shall call it into special session upon the written request of two-thirds of its members.

Any ordinance or resolution passed by the City Council while in special session shall be presented to the Mayor as provided in Section 11 and if not approved or returned by the Mayor to the City Council within five actual special meetings after it has been delivered to him, the same shall become an ordinance or resolution of the City in the same manner as if the Mayor had approved it.



ARTICLE XI-A.¹

LOCAL LEGISLATION.

SECTION 1. On demand of the Mayor of Baltimore and City Council of the City of Baltimore, or on petition bearing the signatures of not less than 20% of the registered voters of said City or any County (provided, however, that in any case 10,000 signatures shall be sufficient to complete a petition), the Board of Election Supervisors of said City or County shall provide at the next general or Congressional election, occurring after such demand or the filing of such petition, for the election of a charter board of eleven registered voters of said City or five registered voters in any such Counties. Nominations for members for said charter board may be made not less than forty days prior to said election by the Mayor of Baltimore and City Council of the City of Baltimore or the County Commissioners of such County, or not less than twenty days prior to said election by petition bearing the signatures written in their own handwriting (and not by their mark) of not less than 5% of the registered voters of the said City of Baltimore or said County; provided, that in any case two thousand signatures of registered voters shall be sufficient to complete any such nominating petition, and if not more than eleven registered voters of the City of Baltimore or not more than five registered voters in any such County are so nominated their names shall not be printed on the ballot, but said eleven registered voters in the City of Baltimore or five in such County shall constitute said charter board from and after the date of said election. At said

¹ Added by Chapter 416, Acts of 1914, ratified November 2, 1915.