any orders given by an alderman of any department or in any manner whatever interfere with the authority of any alderman in his own department; but all acts of every kind and description done by any alderman in his department may be modified or annulled by the board of aldermen; and said board may pass any orders they may see fit in regard to any department of the city government; and such orders shall be binding upon the aldermen of that department. He shall have under his special charge the enforcement of all police and health regulations of the city. He shall have supervision of the police department, officers and employees thereof and of the city pound and its officers and employees. He shall have supervision of the city health officer and his employees. He shall see to the enforcement of all laws and ordinances pertaining to the public health and safety of the inhabitants of the city. All other powers and duties not distributed nor assigned to any other department are assigned to the department of public affairs, police and public safety.

SEC. 277. The board of aldermen shall at the first regular meeting after the election of its members designate by majority vote one alderman to be superintendent of the department of accounts and finance and one to be superintendent of the department of streets public improvements, parks and public property. The members of said board of aldermen shall perform all the executive duties of the respective departments to which they may be assigned, and said board of aldermen may by a majority vote make re-assignment of the superintendents of the said departments whenever they may deem it necessary and proper for the efficient and economical conduct of the business of the city; and may by ordinance or resolution assign to the superintendant of one department duties in respect to the business of another department.

SEC. 278. The superintendent of the department of accounts and finance in case of vacancy in the office of mayor or the absence or inability of the mayor, shall perform the duties of mayor. He shall have special charge of the enforcement of all laws for the assessment and collection of taxes of every kind, and the collection of all revenues belonging to the city from whatever source the same may be derived and of the disbursements thereof, and he shall examine into and keep informed as to the finances of the city. He shall have charge and supervision over all accounts and records of the city, and all officers boards and departments required to keep or make accounts, record or reports, including officers required to inspect and