

purposes be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested or to be vested by law in the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City and to all ordinances now in force, and the territory so annexed shall be taken and considered as part of the town of Pocomoke City.

1927, ch. 445, sec. 254F.

197. All provisions of the Charter of Pocomoke City and all other local or general laws applicable to the town of Pocomoke City, and all amendments thereto, and all the existing ordinances of the town of Pocomoke City, be and the same are hereby extended and made to apply to the territory added to the corporate limits of Pocomoke City by this Act; but nothing herein shall affect the power of the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City to amend or repeal any ordinance existing at the time of the passage of this Act.

1906, ch. 549. 1920 Code, sec. 255. 1927, ch. 446, sec. 255.

198. The corporate authority, government, rights, powers and prerogatives of the said town shall be vested in and be exercised by one person, who shall be Mayor of said town, and three persons, who shall be Councilmen, all of whom shall be elected as hereinafter provided, and possess the qualifications hereinafter set forth; no one shall be eligible to be elected to the office of Mayor unless on the day of the election whereon he or she is elected he or she shall be a qualified voter to vote at the municipal election of said town and is at least thirty years of age and unless for one year next preceding the election he or she has been and is, at the time of the election, assessed on the tax books of said town with, and is the owner of, real estate of the value of at least five hundred dollars and if only a part owner then such part interest must be of the value according to such assessment of at least five hundred dollars; and no person shall be eligible to the office of Councilman unless at the date of such election he or she shall be a qualified voter as aforesaid and unless for one year next preceding the election he or she has been and is, at the time of the election, assessed on the tax books of said town with and is the owner of real estate of the value of at least three hundred dollars and if only a part owner then such part interest must be of the value according to such assessment of at least three hundred dollars, and he or she must be at least twenty-five years of age; and the term of office of Mayor shall be two years, or until his or her successor shall be elected and qualified; and the term of office of Councilmen shall be three years, or until their respective successors shall be elected or appointed and qualified and the present Mayor and all the present Councilmen of Pocomoke City shall each continue in office and serve out in full the respective term for which they were elected under the previous charter of the town and until their successors and the successor of each of them shall be duly elected or appointed and qualified under the provisions of this Act.