

1906, ch. 420.

20A. Hereafter, all checks of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be signed by the City Register and countersigned by either the Mayor or the City Comptroller and all bonds executed in favor of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be approved either by the Mayor or by the City Comptroller, and all contracts relative to the respective departments of the City Government, sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department, special commissions or boards, shall be executed on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by either the Mayor or the respective heads of said departments, sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department, special commissions or boards, or the chairman or President as the case may be, of said special commissions or boards.

P. L. L. (1860), Art. 4, sec. 8. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 11.

21. The Mayor, by virtue of his office, shall have all the jurisdiction and power, as a conservator of the peace, of a Justice of the Peace, and may call upon any officer of the city entrusted with the receipt or expenditure of public money, for a statement of his account as often as he may think necessary, and may at any time by expert accountants and bookkeepers, examine the books and accounts of any department, sub-department, municipal board, officer, assistant, clerk, subordinate or employe.

Mayor, &c., v. Dechert, 32 Md. 369.

P. L. L. (1860), Art. 4, sec. 9. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 12

22. The Mayor shall see that the ordinances and resolutions are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report to the City Council as soon as practicable after the first day of January in each year, the general state of the city, with an accurate account of the money received and expended, to be published for the information of the citizens. He shall have general supervision over all departments, sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department and special commissioners or boards.

Baltimore v. Radecke, 49 Md. 217. Cumberland v. Wilson, 50 Md. 138.

P. L. L. (1860), Art. 4, secs. 10, 11. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, secs. 13, 14.

23. All ordinances or resolutions duly passed by the City Council, after being properly certified by the President of the City Council as having been so passed, shall be delivered by the Clerk of the Council, to the Mayor for his approval, and there shall be noted on said ordinances or resolutions the date of said delivery; and, when approved by him, they shall become ordinances or resolutions of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. If the Mayor shall not approve of any ordinance or resolution so passed by the City Council he shall return the same with his objections in writing to the City Council within five days of actual regular sittings of said City Council, excluding special sittings called by the Mayor, occurring after such delivery of said ordinance or resolution to him, which objections, upon receipt of the same by said City Council, shall be forthwith read to said Council and entered at large on its Jour-