

may be provided for by ordinance, including one to be known as the Audit Clerk, and another for the collection of harbor and wharf rents, to be known as Harbor Master, with such assistants to him as may be provided for by ordinance, and another for the collection of fees for the inspection of weights and measures, to be known as the Inspector of Weights and Measures,* with such assistants to him as may be provided for by ordinance, and another to be known as Market Master, with such assistants to him as may be provided by ordinance. The salary of such Deputy, assistants and clerks shall be fixed by ordinance. All of such appointees shall be subject to the written approval of the Mayor. The Comptroller shall have general supervision over the financial matters of the city, and shall have oversight of all sub-departments in this department. No claim, account or demand against the city of any kind whatsoever shall be paid unless first audited and approved by the Comptroller. All moneys collected for the use of the city by any municipal official, unless otherwise provided in this Charter, shall be turned over to the Comptroller and by him deposited with the City Register. He shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinances, not inconsistent with this Charter. In case of temporary absence or disqualification of the Comptroller, or a vacancy occurring in said office from any cause, the Deputy Comptroller shall, during such absence or disqualification or vacancy from any cause, act as Comptroller. The City Council by a majority vote of all the members elected thereto, may remove the Comptroller from office for incompetency, wilful neglect of duty or misdemeanor in office, upon charges preferred by the Mayor, and after notice of such charges is given to the Comptroller and an opportunity afforded him to be heard by said City Council.

Ord. 843 (1926-27).

34A.* The City Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to open an account in the books of his department, to be known as the "Mayor and City Council Real Property Account," and to credit to this account the proceeds from the sale by the Mayor and City Council of any real or leasehold property or interest therein.

Moneys received from such sales shall be available only for the purchase of land, and the purchase or construction of buildings, and other construction work and projects, it being the intent of this provision to limit the use of such moneys to capital expenditures, and to prohibit their use for current expenses of the government.

The Annual Ordinance of Estimates shall include what appropriations are proposed to be charged to the "Mayor and City Council Real Property Account," and the state of the account, with the particulars as to

*See Section 85A, subsec. 9.

*Ordinance No. 843, approved Oct. 22, 1926, designates sections 34A and 34B as a part of the Charter, under authority conferred by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1924, and by Resolution No. 4, approved Sept. 26, 1924, and approved by the voters at the November election, 1924. *But see*, Article 11A of Constitution and *Graham v. Joyce*, 151 Md. 298.