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pointing a Highways Engineer, shall give first consideration to the qualifications of those who are graduates in engineering from a recognized college or technical school of collegiate grade. The Highways Engineer shall be a person of high standing in his profession, and shall have had charge of important engineering projects over a period of at least five years. If the person appointed as Highways Engineer is not a graduate in engineering from a recognized college or technical school of collegiate grade, he shall have had not less than ten years' experience in engineering, during five years of which he shall have been in charge of important engineering projects, with at least three years' experience in engineering directly related to the construction and maintenance of highways.

The Highways Engineer shall be paid such salary as may be provided in the Ordinance of Estimates. He shall appoint such assistants, aides, clerks, stenographers and other office and field help as may be necessary for the proper-conduct of the Bureau. The compensation of all such appointees shall be subject to approval by the Board of Estimates and shall be paid as provided in the Ordinance of Estimates.

All of the rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions conferred by law upon the Paving Commission of Baltimore City as created by Section 1 of Chapter 401 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1906, and as continued by subsequent Acts of the General Assembly, sections of the Charter of Baltimore City and Ordinances of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, shall be and are hereby transferred to and hereafter shall be exercised and performed by the Bureau of Highways as the lawful successor to said Paving Commission to the same extent as if the Bureau of Highways had been named in the Acts of the General Assembly, sections of the Charter of Baltimore City and the Ordinances of the Mayor and City Council as the body upon which the said rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions were conferred. Thereupon the Paving Commission as heretofore constituted shall be and remain abolished.

All of the rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions conferred by law upon the Highways Engineer, and particularly by the provisions of Sections 84 and 86 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, and by the same sections of the Charter of Baltimore City, and by any other Act of the General Assembly or section of the Charter of Baltimore City or ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be and are hereby transferred to and hereafter shall be exercised and performed by the Bureau of Highways as the lawful successor to the said Highways Engineer to the same extent as if the Bureau of Highways had been named in the provisions of the Acts of the General Assembly, the Charter of Baltimore City and Ordinances of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as the body upon which the said rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions were conferred.

The Bureau of Highways shall perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as may be required from time to time by ordinance of the Mayor and City Council, subject, however, to the power and authority conferred upon the Chief Engineer by the provisions of this Charter.