The Engineer of Plans and Surveys shall prepare such plans for the development and extension of the Park System as may be requested or approved by the Board of Park Commissioners.

The Bureau of Plans and Surveys 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.

Note: The City Surveyor is a Constitutional Officer.

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BUREAU OF STANDARDS.

There shall be in the Department of Public Works a Bureau of Standards. The head of this Bureau shall be the Chief of the Bureau of Standards, who shall direct its operation, and who shall perform, subject to the authority of the Chief Engineer, the duties and exercise the powers which are herein imposed or conferred upon the Bureau of Standards.

The Chief of the Bureau of Standards shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the consent of the City Council, as provided in Section 25 of the Charter of Baltimore City, and hold his office as therein provided.

The Chief of the Bureau of Standards shall have had a thorough training in chemistry. The Mayor, when appointing a Chief of the Bureau of Standards, shall give first consideration to the qualifications of those who are graduates from a recognized technical school or college. The Chief of the Bureau of Standards shall have had at least five years' experience in analytical chemistry, and shall be able to make analyses of coals, paints, oils, asphalts, tars, cement, etc. He shall also have had experience in the testing of construction materials, and shall have had experience in an administrative capacity.

The Chief of the Bureau of Standards 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 and by action of the Board of Estimates upon the Municipal Laboratory Committee shall be transferred to and hereafter be exercised and performed by the Bureau of Standards as the lawful successor to the Municipal Laboratory Committee to the same extent as if the Bureau of Standards had been named in the provisions of law or resolutions of the Board of Estimates as the body upon which the said rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions were conferred. Thereupon the Municipal Laboratory Committee as heretofore constituted shall be and remain abolished.