

1878, ch. 440.

141. The mayor and city council shall appoint three judges of election, who shall have power to appoint clerks and conduct the elections in all respects as elections for members of the general assembly are required to be conducted, (unless otherwise provided for by ordinance,) except that the polls shall be opened at nine o'clock in the morning, and closed at seven o'clock in the evening; and the said judges and clerks shall receive the same compensation as judges and clerks of elections in Harford county, to be paid by the said city.

Ibid.

142. The mayor shall be a person of known integrity, experience and sound judgment, not less than thirty years of age, ten years a citizen of the United States, and five years a resident of the said city next preceding the election, and assessed upon the books of the assessors of Harford county with real property in said city to an amount not less than one thousand dollars, and shall hold his office for one year and until the qualification of his successor.

Ibid.

143. The city council shall consist of six members, who shall be citizens of the United States above the age of twenty-five years, residents of the city three years next preceding their election, and assessed upon the books of the assessors of Harford county to an amount not less than five hundred dollars, and shall hold their office for one year from the date of their election.

Ibid.

144. The members elect of the city council, after having first taken an oath before some justice of the peace of Harford county to act faithfully, without favor, partiality or prejudice, in all things appertaining to their respective offices, shall meet on the second Monday in January next succeeding their election and elect from their number a president of the council, who shall preside at all meetings of the council in the absence of the mayor, or in case of his death, resignation or removal, and who shall act as mayor *pro tem.* until the election of a mayor as herein directed; and in the event of a failure to take the oath by