

way pledge the faith and credit of the city for any sum for any purpose whatever, without having first obtained the written order of the Council, approved by the Mayor (or passed over his veto as the case may be); and any debt or obligation contracted in violation of the provisions of this section shall be altogether and in every way subject to the approval and ratification of said Mayor and City Council.

Must obtain  
written order

56g. When the appropriation made by the Mayor and City Council in the beginning of each fiscal year for any or all of the departments of the city government shall have been exhausted, the clerk shall immediately report the fact to the Mayor, who shall communicate the same in writing to the Council at its next meeting, which notice shall operate to close up such department so far as any outlay of money or issue of draft is concerned from the time said notice is given until the close of said fiscal year, and no extra appropriation, outlay of money, obligation or expenditure whatever on account of such department shall be made or allowed by the Mayor and City Council during the remainder of said year; but this section not to apply to the department of the city water-works.

Exhaustion  
of appropriation

56h. It shall be the duty of the city clerk to report any and all violations of either of the two preceding sections by any officer or employee of the Mayor and City Council to said body, whereupon such report shall be at once investigated, and if ascertained to be true, it shall be construed as a surrender of his office or employment by such officer or employee, whereupon it shall be the duty of the Mayor, as soon as the truth of such violation is known to him, to at once remove such officer from office or employment, and the said Mayor and City Council shall have no power to condone such offence or reinstate such officer or employee during said year.

Clerk to report  
all violations.

56i. All supplies needed by the several departments, and all repairs to machinery at the water works, to implements or tools used by employees of the supervisor of streets, or superintendent of the water works for the fiscal year, shall be ascertained or estimated for, as nearly as can be, by the

Supplies to be  
estimated for.