

Water Rents and Licenses. This Board shall be for consultation and advice, and it shall have no power to direct or control the duties or the work of any sub-department. It shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinances not inconsistent with this Article. The Comptroller shall be the President of said Board. The fiscal year of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December in every year.

**33.** The Comptroller shall be elected by the inhabitants of the City of Baltimore qualified to vote for Mayor on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in May, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and on the same day and month in every fourth year thereafter. He shall be a person possessing the same qualifications as herein prescribed for Mayor. The term of the Comptroller shall commence on the Tuesday next after the third Monday in May, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and continue for four years, and until his successor is elected and qualified, and he shall receive a salary of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly.

**34.** The Comptroller shall be the head of the first sub-department of Finance, and he shall appoint a Deputy Comptroller and such clerks as 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 ordinances. 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