

terms or tenures of office unless otherwise provided in this Act.

Section 350. The City Council shall be the judges of the qualifications of the Mayor, and of their own members.

Section 351. Four members of the City Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the Council shall pass all needed rules for their government whilst in session.

Section 352. In case of a tie vote in the City Council upon any question whatever, the Mayor shall have the right to vote, and shall decide the question in dispute.

Section 353. The Mayor and City Council, if they deem it necessary, may appoint counsel to the corporation, and may allow him such compensation as they may think proper for his services, not exceeding fifty dollars per annum.

Section 354. Neglect or non-user shall not work a forfeiture of the Charter of said City, as contained in this sub-title of this Article.

Section 355. The Mayor and City Council are authorized and empowered to pass ordinances to encourage the location and establishment in the City of manufactories and manufacturing industries and enterprises, and the growth and development of those already established therein, and for these purposes to grant to said factories and industries financial aid in such manner as they in their judgment may think will be for best interest of the City, to provide by ordinances for the abatement of all or any taxes levied by their authority for any of the purposes of the corporation upon any mechanical tools or implements whether worked by hand or steam or other motive power, machinery, manufacturing apparatus, or engines owned by any individual, firm or corporation in said City, and which shall be actually employed and used in the business of manufacturing in said City, and upon any of the raw materials or stock owned and used by said individuals, firms or corporations in and for the purpose of the manufacturing business in which they are engaged and not kept or offered or intended to be offered for sale in its said raw or unmanufactured condition, and upon all real estate actually used, occupied for said manufacturing purposes, and it shall be the duty of the Clerk of said City to make such abatement of taxes levied as aforesaid as may be authorized and directed by said Mayor and City Council; provided, that application for such abatement shall be made and verified to the satisfac-