

22. In case the Mayor is unable to perform the duties of his office by reason of temporary or continued absence or sickness, the said City Council shall appoint, by ballot, by a majority vote of all members thereof, one of their number to act in his stead, whose official designation shall be "Acting Mayor," and the Councilman so appointed shall be vested with all powers, and shall perform all the duties of Mayor during such absence or sickness, and shall receive the salary of the said Mayor during such vacancy; provided that if such disability continue ten days or longer during such absence in excess of ten days the Mayor shall receive no salary; provided, further, that the Councilman receiving compensation as Acting Mayor shall not receive his salary as Councilman for the same time he receives compensation as Acting Mayor.

23. The said Mayor and City Council shall meet at least once every week in regular meeting at such time as shall be fixed by said Council at the City Hall to consider and take under advisement and act upon such business as may come before them. A majority of said Mayor and City Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, but no action of said Mayor and City Council shall be effective unless upon a vote of a majority of such quorum, and no final action shall be taken in any matter concerning the special department of any absent Commissioner, unless such business has been made a special order of the day, or such action has been taken at a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council. All legislative sessions of said Mayor and City Council, whether regular or called, shall be open to the public.

24. The Mayor and City Council of said city shall be vested with the power and charged with the duty of making all laws and ordinances not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State, touching every object, matter and subject within the local government instituted by this Act.

Every ordinance imposing any penalty, fine, imprisonment or forfeiture for a violation of its provisions shall, after the passage thereof, be published in every issue of each of two newspapers published in said city for three (3) days successively (excluding Sundays), providing the amendments and corrections made in digesting and revision for publication in book form need not be so published. Ordinances passed by the Mayor and City Council and requiring publication shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of their passage, unless it shall therein otherwise expressly be provided. All ordinances