- Sec. 42. Exclusive of the Mayor or Presiding Officer, four members of the City Council constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- SEC. 43. In the absence of both the Mayor and President of the Council, the members shall elect a presiding officer for any particular meeting.
- Sec. 44. The Members of the City Council shall assemble in the City Council Chamber at the hour fixed for the meetings of the Mayor and City Council. The Mayor, or in his absence, the President of the City Council shall take the Chair and call the Council to order. The order of business shall be transacted in the following order:
  - 1. Call of the Roll.
  - 2. Reading of the Minutes.
  - 3. Report of communications.
  - 4. Report of Finance Committee.
  - 5. Considering the Passing of Bills.
  - 6. Orders.
  - 7. Leave to introduce Ordinances.
  - 8. Unfinished Business.
  - 9. Resolutions.
  - 10. Reports of other Standing Committees.
  - 11. Reports of Special Committees.
  - 12. Report of the Chief of Police.
  - 13. Report of the Treasurer.
  - 14. Report of Street Superintendent.
- 15. Report of the Health Officer.
- 16. Report of Ordinances and Second Readings.
- 17. New Business.
- 18. Adjournment.
- Sec. 45. The Mayor and City Council shall have authority to otherwise formulate and carry out rules for other proceedings and be governed solely thereby. They may further assign to all officers named in this Charter such other and further duties not otherwise herein provided.

## AUTHORITY OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

- SEC. 46. The Mayor and City Council shall have power to pass all Ordinances and Resolutions not contrary to the Constitution of the United States and the State of Maryland as they may deem necessary for the good government and benefit of the City.
- Sec. 47. The Mayor and City Council may pass Ordinances to suppress, discontinue, prevent, remove and abate all nuis-