

be in force from and after the twentieth day following the date of its passage, or from and after whatever other date the ordinance may specify in excess of twenty days.

(b) The Mayor and City Council shall provide by ordinance for the codification of its ordinances, and for the printing thereof. Such codification shall be provided for within one year after this Article becomes effective, and at no longer intervals than ten years thereafter. Between such codifications, an annual cumulative supplement shall be prepared and printed thereto.

(c) The ordinances of the City and any codification of them, by authority of the Mayor and City Council and so described on the title page, shall be legal evidence of the passage of such ordinances, and the contents thereof shall be admissible in evidence in any Court of this State.

CITY CLERK

52. APPOINTMENT. The City Clerk shall be a member of the Classified Service, and the Mayor and City Council shall be the appointing authority as to this officer.

53. DUTIES. The City Clerk shall attend every meeting of the Mayor and City Council, and keep the minutes and proceedings of such meetings in a well-bound book reserved for that purpose. He shall perform such other and further duties as may be set by ordinance or order of the Mayor and City Council, or by this Article.

54. ADMINISTER OATHS. The City Clerk is authorized to administer oaths in the municipal affairs and government of the City.

CITY SOLICITOR

55. APPOINTMENT. The City Solicitor shall be appointed by the Mayor and City Council and shall hold office for two years, unless sooner removed by the Mayor and City Council. He shall be the head of the Legal Department. He may be removed for cause, with an opportunity for a public hearing before the Mayor and City Council. The City Solicitor shall have the right to appeal any such removal to the Circuit Court for Allegany County, which shall hear the case de novo, and shall thereafter either affirm or reverse the action of the Mayor and City Council.

56. QUALIFICATIONS. The City Solicitor shall be at least twenty-five years of age, and shall have been a resident