

City Engineer, who without unnecessary delay shall then transmit to the Circuit Court a record of the proceedings of the Mayor and City Council and of the commissioners appointed to assess damages and benefits, for the work on the street or alley as to which the appeal is made.

(f) Said appeal shall be heard at the next succeeding term of the Circuit Court, with the party taking the appeal to be docketed as the plaintiff and the Mayor and City Council to be docketed as defendant. The plaintiff shall be entitled to a jury trial, and the amount assessed by the jury as damages or benefits shall stand in the place and stead of the assessment made by the commissioners. The Court may quash the proceedings upon a motion of the plaintiff, for errors or omissions rendering them fatally defective. Either party may take exception to any ruling of the Court upon matters of law arising during the progress of the trial, and either party may appeal to the Court of Appeals from any such ruling, or from the action of the Court in quashing or refusing to quash such proceedings.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

106. ESTABLISHED. There shall be a Department of Finance, under the supervision of the City Manager as Director of Finance. If the Mayor and City Council shall by ordinance create the separate position of Director of Finance, said official shall be a member of the Classified Service under the general supervision of the City Manager. Said Department shall consist of the Director of Finance and of the several divisions provided herein, with the duties specified.

107. DUTIES OF DIRECTOR. (a) The Director of Finance shall have general charge of the financial affairs of the City.

(b) He shall prepare an annual budget to be submitted to the Mayor and City Council, including therein estimates for current expenses, capital expenditures, and expenditures required by law or contract.

(c) He shall supervise and be responsible for the disbursement of all monies and have control over all expenditures, to assure that budget appropriations are not exceeded.

(d) He shall maintain a general accounting system for the City and keep separate accounts for each department and agency, in such form as the Mayor and City Council may require.