

WOMEN

93. Women shall be eligible for all municipal offices provided for in this charter if they have the same qualifications required herein for men. Whenever the masculine gender has been used as to any such offices it shall be construed to include the feminine gender.

MISDEMEANORS

94. Every act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in this charter, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable upon conviction before any trial magistrate or in the Circuit Court for the county within which the offense is committed by a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment for thirty days in the county jail, or both, in the discretion of the court or trial magistrate. The party aggrieved shall have the right of appeal as is now provided under the general laws of the state. Where the act or omission is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, in violation of the provisions of this charter or of any rules or regulations formulated hereunder, a conviction for one offense shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

ARTICLE XIII

CHARTER AMENDMENTS

AUTHORIZED

95. Amendments to this charter may be made as hereinafter provided, and such amendments shall have the same force of law as if they had been enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Maryland. The word "amendments" as used in this article shall include alterations and additions.

PROPOSAL BY COUNCIL

96. Amendments may be proposed by a majority vote of all the members of the council. The mayor shall not have the power to veto an amendment ordinance. The ordinance proposing an amendment shall provide for an expression of the will of the qualified voters at a special or the next succeeding general election. Special charter amendment elections shall be administered as other elections. Charter amendments shall enact a new section or sections, or they shall repeal a section or sections of the charter and re-enact the same as amended.