

*attend the meetings of the Council, and shall advise the Mayor and Council as to the condition of the public work under his charge.*

*Q. (Property of the City.) Every head of a department or agency of the City shall, under the direction of the City Manager, be custodian of the property and equipment issued to his department or agency, and be responsible for its care, use and upkeep.*

*R. (Oath of Office.) The Mayor, each Councilman, the City Manager, and every other officer or employee of the City shall, before entering upon his official duties, take an oath that he will support the Constitutions of the United States and of the State of Maryland, and this charter, and that he will diligently and faithfully discharge the duties of his office or position, without favor, partiality, or prejudice.*

*The Mayor shall take the oath of office before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery or Prince George's County, or before one of the deputies of such Clerk.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That, notwithstanding any other evidence of legislative intent, it is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that, if any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith, whether public general or public local, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.*

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not become effective unless and until it shall be submitted to the registered voters of the City of Takoma Park, and approved by a majority of such voters voting thereon.*

The question shall be submitted by the Mayor and Council to the registered voters of said City at the regular City election to be held in March, 1952, and shall appear on the ballots or voting machines in the form "Shall the Charter of the City of Takoma Park be amended to provide for the office of City Manager?", followed by the words "For Charter Amendment", and "Against Charter Amendment", with a square or box opposite each such statement for the voters to indicate their choice.

If a majority of those voting on the question shall vote "For Charter Amendment", then the provisions of Section 1192