

amounts in any sinking funds for the redemption of bonds outstanding, shall not exceed eight per cent (8%) of the total assessed value of all taxable property in the city. *Bonds heretofore or hereafter issued for the purpose of financing and paying for the construction, operation, maintenance and repair of the water supply system and water plant shall not, however, be included in the calculation of the total amount of bonds issued under the authority of this charter.*

164.

(a) To issue bonds in accordance with the provisions of Section 115 of this charter [.] ; *the bonds heretofore or hereafter issued for the purpose of financing and paying for the construction, operation, maintenance and repair of the water supply system and water plant not to be included in the calculation of the total amount of bonds issued under the authority contained in Section 115 of this charter.*

194. The board of aldermen is hereby authorized to provide by ordinance or by rules and regulations passed in pursuance therewith, such regulations, restrictions and provisions as it shall think proper and desirable for the efficient operation of the police force. The commissioners upon their own initiative or upon complaint filed with them (or with any one of them) pertaining to any matter relating to the police department, shall make such investigation as the matter may warrant and report their findings to the board of aldermen. Any [person] *member of the department* against whom charges have been preferred or complaints made shall be [entitled to be heard] *suspended without pay pending a hearing* before the commissioners. The commissioners shall take such action as they shall think proper after such hearing and report. *If the member charged is exonerated by the commissioners, he shall be restored to full duty and reimbursed for any salary lost.* The Director of Public Safety or Chief of Police, with the consent of the mayor shall have the authority to suspend, *without pay*, for a period of not more than ten days, any policemen for an infraction of the rules and regulations governing the police force. No policeman who has been discharged shall be eligible for reappointment.

The following offenses and such as may hereafter be prescribed by ordinance or rules and regulations adopted by the board of aldermen shall be considered sufficient to warrant suspension or discharge:

(a) Cowardice.