

11. It shall be the duty of the Board of Election Supervisors of Allegany County to order an election to be held in the City of Cumberland on the third Tuesday of June, 1954, and in each [alternate] fourth year thereafter, at which elections the qualified voters of said city shall select a Mayor and four Councilmen. In ordering said election the said Board shall determine the places in the City of Cumberland for holding such elections, and the manner of holding the same shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maryland governing general elections, except in the matter of registration of voters, which shall be governed by the provisions set forth in the sub-title "Registration of Voters" hereinafter in this Article, and in the ordinances of the Mayor and City Council now made or hereafter made in pursuance thereof, and in the matter of primaries, which shall be conducted as herein provided.

The said board shall canvass the returns and declare the election of the candidates receiving the highest number of votes, and shall report the result of their canvass to the Mayor and City Council.

The cost of said election shall be paid by the County Commissioners of Allegany County, but shall be refunded to said County by the City of Cumberland.

The Mayor and each of said Councilmen shall qualify as required by this Charter and the Constitution of the State within twenty days after the official announcement of his election or appointment, as the case may be, and in case of failure to do so, his office shall become vacant.

12. The Mayor shall not be less than thirty years of age, and each of the said four Councilmen shall not be less than twenty-five years of age at the time of their election; they shall each of them be citizens of the United States and for five years immediately preceding their election residents of the City of Cumberland. The said Mayor and City Councilmen shall hold office for a period of [two] four years from the first Monday in July next succeeding their election and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.

Approved April 11, 1953.