

certificates of indebtedness hereby authorized to be issued, not exceeding the par value thereof, shall be used for the acquisition, by purchase, lease, condemnation or any other legal means, of land or property, or any rights therein, in the City of Baltimore, and establishing, constructing, erecting and equipping on said land or property, or on any land or property now or hereafter owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, a modern and adequate Civic Center and all facilities and appurtenances, including but not limited to, adequate automobile parking facilities, necessary or useful in connection with the operation of a modern Civic Center, which shall be designed and constructed to be used for or in connection with the presentation of sports events, exhibitions, contests, gymnastic events, performances for theatrical, educational and cultural purposes and for a public auditorium or convention hall, and for architectural or engineering services or surveys and any other activities relating to planning for the above mentioned purposes, and for doing any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection with or pertaining to any or all of the matters or things hereinbefore mentioned.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, (a) That before the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness, or any part thereof, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, by ordinance, shall create an agency of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, to be known as the "Civic Center Commission of Baltimore", and confer upon it the powers and duties hereinafter mentioned.

(b) The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members and all members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City in the manner prescribed by Section 12 of the Charter of Baltimore City as it now exists or as it hereafter may be amended.

(c) The term of each member shall be five (5) years, or until his successor qualifies and takes office, except that the respective terms of the seven (7) members of the Commission first appointed shall be as follows: two (2) members shall be appointed for one (1) year; two (2) members shall be appointed for two (2) years; one (1) member shall be appointed for three (3) years, one (1) member shall be appointed for four (4) years, and one (1) member shall be appointed for five (5) years. The Mayor of Baltimore City shall designate the terms of the members of the Commission first appointed and the Chairman of the Commission shall be elected by the members of the Commission. The Chairman of the Commission shall serve as such until the expiration of his term or his office otherwise becomes vacant. The members of the Commission shall annually elect one of its members as Vice Chairman who, in the absence of the Chairman of the Commission, shall preside over the meetings of the Commission and perform such other duties as may be imposed upon him by law or as may be assigned to him by the Commission.

(d) Any vacancy in the membership of the Commission caused by the expiration of a term or by the resignation, removal, death or permanent absence from the State of Maryland of an incumbent or by supervening incapacity on his part, whether physical or mental, to discharge his duties, or by any other cause, create such a vacancy, either actual or in effect, shall be filled for a new term or for the remainder of the term of such incumbent, as the case may be, in the same manner as provided herein for the appointment of the first